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**§ 31101. Organization**

(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Boys & Girls Clubs of America (in this chapter, the “corporation”) is a federally chartered corporation.

(b) PLACE OF INCORPORATION AND DOMICILE.—The corporation is declared to be incorporated and domiciled in the District of Columbia.

(c) PERPETUAL EXISTENCE.—Except as otherwise provided, the corporation has perpetual existence.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
31101 .....	36:691.	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 976, §1, 70 Stat. 1052; Dec. 10, 1991, Pub. L. 102–199, §1(2), 105 Stat. 1628.
	36:692.	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 976, §§2, 4(1), 70 Stat. 1052.
	36:694(1).	

This section is substituted for the source provisions for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate executed and unnecessary words.

**§ 31102. Purposes**

The purposes of the corporation are—

- (1) to promote the health, social, educational, vocational, and character development of youth throughout the United States; and
- (2) to receive, invest, and disburse funds and to hold property for the purposes of the corporation.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
31102 .....	36:693.	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 976, §3, 70 Stat. 1052; Dec. 10, 1991, Pub. L. 102–199, §1(3), 105 Stat. 1628.

**§ 31103. Membership**

(a) ELIGIBILITY.—Except as provided in this chapter, eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights, privileges, and designation of classes of members are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

(b) VOTING.—Each member has one vote on each matter submitted to a vote at a meeting of the members.

(c) BENEFITS OF MEMBER ORGANIZATIONS.—Each organization that is a member of the corporation as provided in the constitution of the corporation is entitled to all the benefits of incorporation under this chapter. Those benefits cease immediately on termination of membership, whether by—

- (1) resignation from the corporation; or

(2) termination of its membership by the board of directors of the corporation as provided in the constitution.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
31103(a) .....	36:696(a) (1st sentence).	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 976, §6, 70 Stat. 1053.
31103(b) .....	36:696(a) (last sentence).	
31103(c) .....	36:696(b).	

In subsection (a), the words “are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation” are substituted for “shall . . . be determined as the constitution and bylaws of the corporation may provide” for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary words.

In subsection (b), the words “the right to” are omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (c), the words “on termination of membership, whether by” are substituted for “either upon” for clarity. The words “in the event that” and “canceled or otherwise” are omitted as unnecessary.

**§ 31104. Governing body**

(a) BOARD OF DIRECTORS.—(1) The board of directors is the governing body of the corporation. The powers, duties, and responsibilities of the board are as provided in the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

(2) The number of directors is as provided in the constitution of the corporation. Their manner of selection (including the filling of vacancies) and their term of office are as provided in the constitution and bylaws.

(b) OFFICERS.—(1) The officers of the corporation are a chairman of the board of directors, a president, one or more vice presidents as provided in the constitution and bylaws, a secretary, a treasurer, and one or more assistant secretaries and assistant treasurers as provided in the constitution and bylaws.

(2) The manner of election, term of office, and duties of the officers are as provided in the constitution and bylaws.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
31104(a) .....	36:697.	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 976, §§7, 8, 70 Stat. 1053.
31104(b) .....	36:698.	

In subsection (a)(1), the word “governing” is substituted for “managing” for consistency in the revised title. The text of 36:697(a) is omitted as executed and obsolete.

**§ 31105. Powers**

The corporation may—

- (1) adopt and amend a constitution and bylaws for the management of its property and the regulation of its affairs;
- (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;
- (3) choose officers, managers, agents, and employees as the activities of the corporation require;
- (4) make contracts;