

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION FOR THE GEORGIA DYNOMOS

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WHEREAS we are composed of individuals who identify as, or support those who identify as, queer, lesbian, gay, transgender, bisexual or intersex (“queer”);

WHEREAS we are rock climbing and bouldering enthusiasts (“climbers”) who wish to improve at our sport;

WHEREAS we wish to introduce new persons to our sport;

We hereby adopt the following Articles of Organization:

ARTICLE I. NAME.

This organization shall be known as The Georgia Dyno’mos or The Dyno’mos.

ARTICLE II. PURPOSE.

The Dyno’mos exists to (1) get more queers climbing and to (2) get more queer climbers climbing together. The Dyno’mos value (“Values”) respect for all, regardless of race, national origin, religious affiliation, sex, and real or perceived sexual orientation and gender. Values also include supporting equal opportunity and treatment for all persons.

ARTICLE III. LEADERSHIP.

Section 1. Board.

The Dyno’mos shall be led by a five member Board of Directors (“Board”).

Section 2. Elections.

The Board shall be popularly elected by the members of The Dyno’mos for two year, staggered terms. Each January, either 2 or 3 members of the Board shall be elected, depending on the number of vacancies. The initial Board will determine 2 or 3 members to have a 1 year initial term. Elections shall be conducted by the Board in a way transparent to the members. All members are eligible to vote. The Board is enabled to make rules and systems as required to ensure fair elections. Nominations will be open from January 7 through January 21 and elections will be held January 21 through January 31st. February 1 is the beginning and end date for terms. The Board reserves the right to adjust these dates should problems arise however, these dates will shift no more than 3 weeks and should resume as stated on following years.

Section 3. Vacancies.

The Board may fill vacancies by a majority vote between elections.

Section 4. Removal.

The Board may remove another member of the Board under the same conditions applying to removal of a member of the club.

ARTICLE IV. MEMBERSHIP.

Section 1. Joining.

The Membership consists of those who have registered. The Dyno'mos shall keep a membership list. Members are considered "registered" if they are on this list. This list shall be shared only for the purpose of securing discounts or for other purposes for the securing of benefits (such as gym discounts) for members. A valid email address is required for verification and will be used for the announcement of elections.

Section 2. Members Rights.

Members shall have the right to vote in elections. Members shall have the right to participate in all group events and online fora. Members may be eligible for group rates.

Section 4. Removal.

Members may be removed from the membership list when a majority of the Board agrees that a member's conduct has been offensive, constitutes harassment, divisive to the group, or encourages unsafe behavior. The Board will not be involved in disputes deemed purely personal. Members registering multiple times or otherwise tampering with elections will be subject to immediate removal.

Section 5. Disclaimer of Liability.

The Board will not be held liable for either sponsored or unsponsored activities or events and members must assume all risk and waive all claims against the Board and other members of the club. Members may be required to sign a release form.

ARTICLE V. ACTIVITIES.

The Board will examine yearly whether the official activities of The Dyno'mos are meeting the needs and desires of the group. Activities The Dyno'mos may conduct include, but are not limited to: weekly indoor gym climbing and bouldering, outdoor trips, educational classes, social events, political/pride events, and charity events.