

## Veida 5783 Report and Updates

Here are listed the motions brought before the Veida, the decision of the Veida, and any additional relevant notes and actions since undertaken.

### Motion 1: PASSED

All chanichim and parents from non-English native speaking countries to be contacted prior to camp by a member of the Mazkirut in order to carry out an assessment of their English, from which the member of the Mazkirut can advise the child and their parents on whether camp will be an appropriate and positive experience.

**Notes:** The Technical Director 5784- Ari Naar together with members of the office staff investigating the best way to carry this out.

### Motion 2: MOVED TO HANHALLA\*

Every sviva meeting must have at least one person on site (not a madrich/a) who has received CST training unless the shul has their own security, and every sviva madrich/a must be briefed on how to safely evacuate and invacuate chanichim in case of an emergency.

**Notes:** The Mazkirut are working alongside Roshim to identify the most appropriate ways to ensure we are keeping everyone at Bnei Akiva activities safe, especially considering the current situation.

*\*Due to Motion 21 being passed by the Hanhalla all motions were referred to the incoming Hanhalla as opposed to the Mazkirut*

### Motion 3: PASSED

This Veida believes that all Tisch and Ruach songs and chants should be recorded and published along with the words in Hebrew with English translation and transliteration where possible. This should take the form of an online archive, accessible through the Bnei Akiva website and/or YouTube. It would be open access in order to allow anyone that wants, to learn or revise the songs. This would be a continuous process, able to be updated. There should be particular efforts made to find and record older, less well-known and 'lost' tunes, along with the words in Hebrew with English translation and transliteration where possible.

**Notes:** Josh Cohen and Rafi Davis (Nivcharim 5784 and 5783 respectively) are actively working on putting this together.

### Motion 4: PASSED

This Veida believes that it must sing "Happy Birthday" to Joel Kaufmann and all those whose birthdays were recently during Veida 5783.

**Notes:** N/A

### Motion 5: PASSED

This veida believes that the announcement of elected mazkirut members for the following year on social platforms must include: (a) A photo of the elected individual holding a chultza (b) A photo of the elected individual holding a pen to a piece of a paper

**Notes:** The Mazkirut 5784 commits to making this a reality.

### Motion 6: PASSED

This Veida believes that the Chinuch worker should be responsible for preparing Chomer and tochnit/peula activities for the Parashiot of Machane.

**Notes:** Sophie Harris (Chinuch Director 5784) is currently in the process of creating these materials.

### Motion 7: PASSED

This Veida believes that A6 should read "Bnei Akiva identifies as a Religious Zionist youth movement, defined as the belief that the modern State of Israel has religious significance as Reishit Tzmichat Geulatienu"

**Notes:** N/A

### Motion 8: PASSED

This Veida believes that live social media filming of religious events on camp (like Havdala or Channukah candle lighting) should not last for more than half the event. And should be done in as un-intrusive way as possible. Chaveirim present must be notified as and when filming starts and ends.

**Notes:** N/A

### Motion 9: PASSED

This veida believes that BAUK should facilitate the opportunity for our gimmel chanichim to attend Machane Sayarim, the BA Europe machane.

**Notes:** The Mazkirut 5784 along with the office staff are looking into the feasibility of facilitating this.

### Motion 10: PASSED

Add N1 (i) stating: That a member of the Veida shall complete every item on their Bingo board If any person present at Veida obtains a fully completed Veida bingo board, they must immediately stand up and announce "Bingo!" with proper Veida decorum.

**Notes:** N/A

### Motion 11: PASSED

This Veida believes that all Machanot should have a website on bauk.org to record the quotes of Ben Rothstein. Shoshana Rothstein holds veto rights on whether or not a quote can be published.

**Notes:** This motion has been carried out and the website can be found at: [bauk.org/benrothsteinquotes](http://bauk.org/benrothsteinquotes), we look forward to reviewing your submissions

*The remaining motions were not discussed at Veida due to time constraints, and were therefore referred to the incoming hanhalla, as per section E23 of the standing orders.*

### Motion 12: FAILED

In order to ensure that the State of Ebrael exists in 2048, it is of paramount importance for Bnei Akiva to a) actively support Just Stop Oil and b) send the Rav Shaliach and Mazkir to a Just Stop Oil protest.

**Notes:** The Hanhalla felt that it was not their place to make such a decision.

### Motion 13: PASSED

This veida believes that Bnei Akiva must convene a Disability Working Group at least twice per school year. Furthermore, the action points of this working group must be implemented by the Hanhalla, and a report produced to document such implementation, unless otherwise rejected by the Hanhalla.

**Notes:** Sophie Harris (Chinuch director 5784) is in the process of putting this group together.

### Motion 14: FAILED

Change every  $\nu$  to an  $\kappa$  in the Standing Orders part 3, in the interest of consistency (look - it's easy than getting new T shirts).

**Notes:** Fair play.

### Motion 15: ABSTAIN

This Veida Believes that A5 should read - Bnei Akiva shall actively encourage Aliya in order to further develop Eretz Yisrael, as the ultimate fulfilment of Bnei Akiva's religious Zionist ideology the rest of a should be renumbered.

**Notes:** The Hanhalla felt it was not their place to make such a change.

### Motion 16: FAILED

This Veida believes that any door, in which at least half of the surface consists of a transparent material (such as glass), must have all transparent sections, less than 1m above the ground, covered by an opaque material.

**Notes:** The Hanhalla recommends that Joel Kaufman is more careful when walking around.

### Motion 17: FAILED

O3 The official movement colours shall be blue, white and slightly off white.

**Notes:** No.

### Motion 18: PASSED

This Veida believes that Bnei Akiva UK must act through all means available to members of the Tnua to combat the genocide and oppression of the Uyghur Muslim minority in the Xinjiang autonomous region of China. This Veida mandates that: 1) The Tnua must educate its members regarding the oppression and how they as individuals can act where appropriate through the Sviva Choveret, Machane Chomer, Shabbat Lashem, Yediots, and through Bnei Akiva's social media presence. 2) The Tnua should work with any appropriate organisations within the UK Jewish community (e.g. the BoD, ZYC, Rene Cassin) and outside it, (e.g. The World Uyghur Congress) to facilitate the end of this oppression. 3) The Tnua should seek to expand these activities through connections within the Orthodox community here in the UK (e.g. along with the United Synagogue), as well as the Religious Zionist community in Israel (e.g. through working with World Bnei Akiva, Mizrachi UK etc.) 4) Where possible, the Tnua should make efforts to ensure it does not buy goods (cheap tote bags, shtiky stationary etc.) produced using Uyghur slave labour, being particularly careful not to purchase goods produced in the Xinjiang region. 5) The Tnua should ensure that its opposition to the racist BDS movement does not encourage blanket bans such as the recent parliamentary act which would limit the use of boycotts of Uyghur slave labour.

**Notes:** Sophie Harris (Chinuch Director 5784) is currently putting together materials for part 1 of this motion and the Mazkirut 5784 is working on the other points in the motion.

### Motion 19: PASSED

(D) Nivcharim Reword Section D to read as follows: The Nivcharim shall be Bogrim elected by the veida (See E10) and the number of Nivcharim shall be six. Reword Section B to read as follows: The duties of the Nivcharim shall be as follows: The Nivcharim shall be responsible to the Chaverim for monitoring the progress of the Mazkirut by ensuring they fulfil their portfolios and general responsibilities as defined in G3; The Nivcharim shall support and assist the Mazkirut in fulfilling their portfolios and general mazkirut responsibilities as defined in G3; The Nivcharim are required to engage with and listen to Chaverim from across the Movement, in order to provide constructive feedback on the Movement and to relay the views of the Chaverim to the Hanhalla; The Nivcharim shall be an active and visible presence in the implementation of and attendance at Movement programming; The Nivcharim should meet at least once every calendar month in relation to their constitutional duties and updates from the mazkirut on their progress should be obtained prior to these meetings.

**Notes:** N/A

### Motion 20: FAILED

This veida believes that Mifkad should be recited at least once per day, on Machane (including precamp and Erael Machane)

**Notes:** The writer of this report is baffled as to why the Hanhalla did not seem to appreciate the importance of this motion and cannot understand why they did not pass it.

### Motion 21: PASSED

This Veida believes that N1 should read (d) to read: That the current motion shall be referred to the incoming Hanhalla.

**Notes:** All motions which were 'referred to the incoming Mazkirut' have been discussed with the entire Hanhalla.

### Motion 22: FAILED

Move the phrase 'Reishit Tzmichat Geulateinu' from the prayer for the State of Erael to the prayer for the Welfare of the UK to recognise the governing nation of Palestine at the time that Rav Kook coined the phrase to describe 'current events.'

**Notes:** The Hanhalla felt that it was not their place to make such a change.

### Motion 23: FAILED

This motion proposes that all tish sheets must be laminated.

**Notes:** The Hanhalla acknowledges and admires the desire of the veida to reduce paper waste, however, concludes that the likelihood is that most laminated sheets would end up dirty and would not be properly cleaned after use.

### Motion 24: FAILED

To use the hebrew 'Chovesh/choveshet' on machane to refer to the medic.

**Notes:** The Hanhalla felt that a new term may create confusion which could be dangerous in an emergency situation.

### Motion 25: PASSED

This veida believes that section E11 should be changed to: Those eligible to stand for election as a Deputy or Under 35 observer for Bnei Akiva must be: - Eligible to stand as per the constitution of the Board of Deputies own requirements and - Not represent another constituency from the time period as defined in section E9 B The electorate for the election of the Deputy(s) and Under 35 observer(s) shall be Mas Chaver paying members of the eldest two of the four Gimmel Shevatim, together with the Mas Chaver paying Bogrim. They shall vote for their preferred delegates, and shall place such votes in order of preference, the highest being the most favoured. ¶ If there should be a tie between candidates, the candidate with the most 'highest preferences' shall be elected. ¶ It is the responsibility of the Hanhalla to ensure that at least one boger/et stands for the position of Bnei Akiva deputy, but it is not necessary to ensure the election of an Under-35 Observer. ¶ In the event that either: The Board of Deputies decide to designate Bnei Akiva with additional seats (for either Deputies or Under 35 Observers) or Veida does not fill all seats Bnei Akiva has assigned to, it is the prerogative (but not obligation) of the Hanhallah to elect additional chaverim for the time period as defined in section E9 B. All subsequent sections to be re numbered accordingly.

**Notes:** N/A

### Motion 26: PASSED

(G) Mazkirut G1 & G2 unchanged G3 to read: The Mazkirut shall be composed of salaried sabbatical officers, responsible for the following portfolios, in addition to their general responsibilities: (a) Mazkir/a; (b) Camps and technical organisation; (c) Education; (d) Svivot & Communities; (e) Hachshara (f) Brael Machane ¶ Insert new section G4: An individual may be responsible for multiple portfolios and the Hanhalla may advertise for Mazkirut positions which combine multiple portfolios. Renumber subsequent subsections as appropriate: G5-7 (previously numbered G4-6) unchanged

Insert new section G7: The Mazkirut must update the rest of the Hanhalla at least fortnightly on their progress in fulfilling their portfolios, any additional achariot and general responsibilities.

**Notes:** N/A

### Motion 27: FAILED

This veida believes that the Tnuva should adopt comic sans as the official font of the movement.

**Notes:** No.