



STANDING ORDERS

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PART 1

STANDING ORDERS FOR THE TNUA

(A) PURPOSE

- A1 Bnei Akiva UK (hereinafter “Bnei Akiva”) is the national organisational body of all the Bnei Akiva branches, institutions, and activities in the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland.
- A2 Bnei Akiva espouses the ideology of Torah va’Avodah, as a means of unifying Am Yisrael, Eretz Yisrael, and Torat Yisrael.
- A3 Torah va’Avodah reflects the desire to be actively involved in the rebuilding of Medinat Yisrael, bringing Torat Yisrael into fruition.
- A4 Avodah, as a part of the ideology of Bnei Akiva, encompasses, but is not limited to:
- (a) Building up the Land and the State of Israel;
 - (b) Proactive giving;
 - (c) Personal spiritual service, including, but not limited to, tefilah;
 - (d) The spirit of Religious Zionism and Modern Orthodoxy.
- A5 Bnei Akiva’s educational framework shall encompass its three fundamental principles, namely: Am, Eretz, and Torat Yisrael.
- A6 Bnei Akiva is a modern orthodox organisation that sees value in the integration of/and the synthesis between, Torah and the outside world/secular knowledge/wisdom. This ideal should be incorporated within the actions of the movement.
- A7 Bnei Akiva identifies as a Religious Zionist youth movement, defined as:
- (a) The belief that the Land of Israel holds significance for Judaism and Jewish life;
 - (b) The belief that the modern State of Israel holds religious significance;
 - (c) The belief that all Jews should strive towards making Aliyah.
- A8 The nature of Bnei Akiva dictates that it should always remain a not-for-profit organisation. If any financial surplus is made in one or more years, such surplus should be retained by the organisation for future use in carrying out its normal activities.

(B) AFFILIATIONS

- B1 Bnei Akiva shall not be directly affiliated to any political party and shall be deemed “Politically non-partisan”.
- B2 Bnei Akiva shall be affiliated to the World Movement of Bnei Akiva, based in

Yerushalayim.

- B3 Bnei Akiva shall be affiliated to Mizrachi UK.
- B4 Bnei Akiva shall be affiliated to British Emunah Fund.
- B5 Bnei Akiva shall be affiliated to the Zionist Youth Council of Great Britain. This affiliation can be rescinded by a unanimous decision of the Hanhalla. In such a case, the Bogrim should be made aware of the decision and its reasons.
- B6 Bnei Akiva shall work in close contact with Friends of Bnei Akiva (Bachad).
- B7 Bnei Akiva recognises that it should do all that is possible to work with other Zionist and Jewish organisations, provided it is to the benefit of Bnei Akiva, as determined by the Veida or the Hanhalla.
- B8 Bnei Akiva may affiliate to any other organisations or bodies as decided by the Veida or the Hanhalla.

(C) MEMBERSHIP

- C1 Members shall become affiliated to Bnei Akiva through payment of an annual subscription fee, to be known as “Mas Chaver”.
- C2 Upon payment of Mas Chaver, a member shall be known as a Chaver/a (referred to as a “BA Member” in the Articles of Association).
- C3 Bnei Akiva shall not tolerate discrimination by or against its members on any grounds.

(D) COMPOSITION

- D1 The composition of the membership of Bnei Akiva shall be the Shevet structure, as recommended by the World Movement.
- D2 Each Shevet shall include all members of a particular year group, based on the academic yearly cycle.
- D3 The whole membership shall be divided into sections to be known as Chevrayot, reflecting the Shevet of the member, as follows:

CHEVRAYA ALEPH	School Years 2-6
Shevet Atid	Year 2
Shevet Hachana Aleph	Year 3
Shevet Hachana Bet	Year 4
Shevet Zeraim	Year 5
Shevet Nitzanim	Year 6
 CHEVRAYA BET	 School Years 7-9
Shevet Ma'alot	Year 7
Shevet Ma'apilim	Year 8
Shevet Haroeh	Year 9

CHEVRAYA GIMMEL
CHEVRAYA DALED

School Years 10-13
Post School Years

- D4 The names of the Shevatim of Chevrayot Aleph and Bet shall be permanent and standard for all Chaverim progressing through the Movement.
- D5 Upon entering Chevraya Gimmel, each year group around the world shall be given a unique Shevet name, to be determined by the World Movement. This name shall remain with the Shevet henceforth.
- D6 Those Chaverim in Chevraya Daled shall collectively be known as Bogrim.

(E) VEIDA

- E1 The Veida of Bnei Akiva shall be the sum of its membership.
- E2 The Veida is the highest governing and decision-making body of Bnei Akiva, to which all other bodies are accountable.
- E3 The Veida shall meet at least once every calendar year.
- E4 A Veida shall only be deemed quorate if attended by twenty-five percent of all Mas Chaver-paying Bogrim and two-thirds of the members of the Hanhalla, excluding those out of the country with Bnei Akiva. If the Veida shall be found to be inquorate, the Steering Committee shall call a further Veida, and if this is found inquorate, direct the Hanhalla to take responsibility for the Veida's function.
- E5 A Veida may be called by the Hanhalla, or by a quorum of Bogrim as defined above.
- E6 For a Veida to be called, Chaverim with voting rights must be notified at least one week in advance. Chaverim must be made aware of all Motions expiring at this Veida.
- E7 The Veida shall be coordinated by a Steering Committee to be nominated by the Hanhalla, as defined in Section (F). The Steering Committee must be ratified by the Veida as the first procedural motion.
- E8 The Veida shall be governed by a set of Standing Orders, as detailed in Section (K).
- E9 The Veida shall perform the following activities:
- (a) Receive reports of the Hanhalla;
 - (b) Elect the Nivcharim and representative(s) to the Board of Deputies for the upcoming Movement year, defined as the period from 1st September until 31st August;
 - (c) Consider motions, Constitutional amendments, and all their respective amendments, as submitted by Chaverim of the Movement;

- (d) Where possible, Veida must begin with a Dvar Torah given by the Rav/Rabbanit Shaliach.

- E10 The electorate for the election of Nivcharim 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 Nivcharim, 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 preference” votes shall be elected.
- E11 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 and must not represent another constituency from the time period 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 preference” votes 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 decides to designate Bnei Akiva with additional seats (for either Deputies or Under 35 Observers) or the Veida does not fill all seats assigned to Bnei Akiva, it is the prerogative (but not obligation) of the Hanhalla to elect additional chaverim for the time period defined in section E9(b).
- E12 Voting on motions and Constitutional amendments at the plenary session shall be open to Mas Chaver-paying members of the eldest two of the four Gimmel Shevatim, together with the Mas Chaver-paying Bogrim.
- E13 Ordinary motions shall require the approval of a simple majority of the Veida. Amendments to this Constitution shall require the approval of a two-thirds majority of the Veida.
- E14 A motion of No Confidence in the Mazkirut and/or the Hanhalla shall require a two-thirds majority, and if successful, shall be followed by elections at the earliest possible time.
- E15 All votes and elections shall be adjudicated by the returning officers, who shall be the Shlichim present, as defined in Section (H). In the event that no Shlichim be present at Veida, the Veida shall elect a returning officer who shall be a Mas Chaver-paying Boger of the Movement.
- E16 Motions shall take effect for three years after the Veida, unless overturned by a future Veida.
- E17 The results of all motions must be widely publicised on Bnei Akiva's social media platforms.

- E18 Anonymised notes must be taken at every Veida by a designated secretary, chosen by the Steering Committee. These must include all motions raised, key points debated, the result of the vote, and any points of order, amendments, and procedural motions. These notes must then be ratified by the Hanhalla (with any redactions being clearly indicated) and made available on request (including the motions which were moved to Hanhalla), within sixty days of Veida.
- E19 If within a month of publication of the Veida motions, the Hanhalla receives an appeal from a quorum of the Bogrim as defined in Section E4, the motion shall be returned to the next Veida.
- E20 It is the duty of the Hanhalla to implement any motion passed at Veida. It is the responsibility of the proposer of any motion, or any Mas Chaver-paying members of the eldest two of the four Gimmel Shevatim, together with the Mas Chaver-paying Bogrim, to work with the Hanhalla to implement their motion and hold them accountable if they fail to do so. It is the duty of the Rosh Nivchar/eret to report to the Bogrim on this progress.
- E21 Whenever possible, Veida motions that are passed will take effect immediately after the conclusion of the Veida.
- E22 All Constitutional amendments will take effect immediately after they are voted in.
- E23 Motions which are not discussed at Veida due to time constraints should be referred to the incoming Hanhalla.
- (a) When this occurs, the proposer of the motion will be allowed, but not required, to submit a video whose length does not exceed five minutes, or a message whose length does not exceed 500 words, which the Hanhalla will be required to watch or read before discussing the motion.
 - (b) Within ninety days of Veida, the Mazkir/a must publish a report on Bnei Akiva's social media platforms on the progress of motions that were passed or not discussed.
- E24 The Standing Orders and all active motions should be widely available for Chaverim to access throughout the year.
- E25 There shall be a panel with the authority to check through the Constitution and Standing Orders for spelling, grammatical, and consistency errors, and to amend these in the spirit in which the Constitution and Standing Orders are currently understood. This panel shall be comprised of:
- (a) The incoming Mazkir/a;
 - (b) The COO;
 - (c) One outgoing Nivchar/eret, to be suggested by the Steering Committee and ratified by the Veida;

- (d) One representative of the Veida, to be elected at Veida.

Each amendment must be ratified by the Hanhalla. Any amendments which are not ratified can be brought as Constitutional Amendments at the next Veida.

(F) HANHALLA

F1 The Hanhalla shall be the National Executive Committee of the Movement.

F2 The Hanhalla shall consist of the following groups:

- (a) Mazkirut;
- (b) Shlichim;
- (c) Nivcharim.

- F3
- (a) All members of the Hanhalla have voting rights, except for the Shlichim, who attend in an advisory capacity only.
 - (b) A vote within the Hanhalla can only be taken if at least half of the members of the Mazkirut and half of the members of the Nivcharim be present. Only those present at a meeting can cast a vote.
 - (c) If the number of members of the Mazkirut is strictly fewer than the number of Nivcharim, those present at the meeting shall have one vote each, and those not present at the meeting shall have no votes each.
 - (d) If the number of members of the Mazkirut is greater than or equal to the number of Nivcharim, then the Mazkirut shall have the number of votes equal to the number of its members present, and the Nivcharim shall share equally amongst their members present the number of votes equal to one more than the number of votes of the Mazkirut.

F4 The Hanhalla shall be responsible to the Veida for the following activities:

- (a) Election of the Mazkirut for the forthcoming Movement year;
- (b) Election of senior positions of responsibility within the Movement;
- (c) Maintaining standards of conduct within the Hanhalla itself. Should any member(s) of the Hanhalla be found in breach of acceptable conduct, a vote will be conducted at the earliest possibility by the Hanhalla, and will require a two-thirds majority to remove any member from their position on the Hanhalla. The Hanhalla member(s) in question shall be excluded from the vote.
- (d) Pursuing disciplinary matters, with the authority to expel Chaverim from the Movement, if deemed necessary;

- (e) Determining and developing Movement policy, as set out in the Policy Documents of Bnei Akiva;
- (f) Ensuring Bnei Akiva was run effectively during the previous year.

F5 The Hanhalla is the representative, decision-making body of the Movement. As such:

- (a) The Hanhalla must be consulted on all pertinent decisions, including, but not limited to, decisions affecting the structure of the Movement, the image of the Movement, and job descriptions;
- (b) It is the responsibility of all members of the Hanhalla to consult widely with Chaverim from all Chevrayot, in order that informed decisions may be taken.

F6 The Hanhalla must act in a responsible manner with regard to confidential matters. If a member of the Hanhalla is found to be in breach of confidentiality, the Hanhalla must take appropriate, and if necessary, serious, action.

F7 The Hanhalla shall meet at least five times during its term to discuss the activities and progress of the Movement.

(G) MAZKIRUT

G1 The Mazkirut shall be the employed secretariat of the Movement, responsible for its administration and organisation.

G2 The Mazkirut shall be elected by the Hanhalla on behalf of the Movement.

G3 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 and Communities;
- (e) Hachshara;
- (f) Israel Machane.

G4 An individual may be responsible for multiple portfolios and the Hanhalla may advertise for Mazkirut positions which combine multiple portfolios.

- G5 Applications from Chaverim for the above positions shall be submitted to the Hanhalla, who shall agree on and publicise their procedure for selection. Successful applicants' manifestos may be published and publicised online.
- G6 If one or more of the above portfolios is not filled by full-time sabbatical officers, it is the responsibility of the Hanhalla to fill the positions as they see fit.
- G7 The Mazkirut shall have the right to appoint and employ office staff to assist in the administration of the Movement.
- G8 The Mazkirut must update the remainder of the Hanhalla at least fortnightly on their progress in fulfilling their portfolios, any additional achrayot, and general responsibilities.

(H) SHLICHIM

- H1 The role of the Shlichim is to assist and advise the Mazkirut and Nivcharim, and act as educators to the Movement, spreading Bnei Akiva ideology to all communities nationwide.
- H2 The Mazkirut of Bnei Akiva UK, and the Mazkirut of the World Movement, together with the Jewish Agency, shall have the right to appoint Israeli Shlichim to Bnei Akiva UK.
- H3 The above appointment is conditional upon an interview by representatives appointed by the Mazkirut of Bnei Akiva UK.
- H4 The above appointment is conditional upon ratification by a vote of the Hanhalla following the interview prescribed by Section H3.
- H5 The Shlichim shall occupy the following portfolios:
- (a) Educational Northern;
 - (b) Educational Rabbinical.
- H6 There shall be at least one family Shaliach, who should be making regular trips to the Movement nationwide.
- H7 Prior to the selection process, exact job descriptions and guidelines must be formulated by the existing Mazkirut and Shlichim.
- H8 The selection process must include World Bnei Akiva, current Shlichim, and appropriate members of the Mazkirut of the United Kingdom.

(I) NIVCHARIM

- I1 The Nivcharim are the representatives of the Chaverim of the Movement, elected by the Chaverim as described in Section E10.

- 12 The Nivcharim shall be Bogrim elected by the Veida (according to Section E10) and the number of Nivcharim shall be six.
- 13 A Nivchar/eret may choose to resign at any time. No member of the Hanhalla may encourage a Nivchar/eret to resign from the Nivcharim.
- 14 If the Veida fails to elect six Nivcharim, or at any point the number of serving Nivcharim falls below six, the Mazkir/a, in consultation with the current Rosh Nivchar/eret (where one is in office), may appoint new Nivcharim to fill the vacancies, primarily choosing the unelected candidate(s) who received the highest number of votes at the previous Veida.
- 15 The duties of the Nivcharim shall be as follows:
- (a) The Nivcharim shall be responsible to the Chaverim for monitoring the progress of the Mazkirut by ensuring that they fulfil their portfolios and general responsibilities as defined in Section G3;
 - (b) 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;
 - (c) The Nivcharim shall be an active and visible presence in the implementation of, and attendance at, Movement programming;
 - (d) The Nivcharim shall 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.
- 16 One of the Nivcharim shall be appointed “Rosh Nivchar/eret” by the voting members of the Hanhalla, as defined in Section F3, through a simple majority vote. In the case of a tie, the most recent Rosh Nivchar/eret who does not hold a tafkid on the current Hanhalla will get the deciding vote.
- 17 The duties of the Rosh Nivchar/eret shall be as follows:
- (a) Meet with the Mazkir/a every two weeks. The agenda of this meeting shall include:
 - (i) An update on the progress of the Mazkirut in fulfilling their portfolios as defined in Section G3, provided by the Mazkir/a;
 - (ii) An update on the Movement and views of the Chaverim, provided by the Rosh Nivchar/eret;
 - (b) Arrange and chair the meetings of the Nivcharim, as specified in I3(d);
 - (c) Be responsible for monitoring the progress of the Nivcharim in fulfilling their duties, as specified in I3;
 - (d) The Rosh Nivchar/eret shall, together with the Mazkir/a, set the agenda of the Hanhalla meetings, as specified in F7.
- 18 A vote of No Confidence in the Rosh Nivchar/eret may be proposed by any voting member of the Hanhalla and, if seconded by another voting member, will proceed

to vote. The vote will exclude the Rosh Nivchar/eret, and pass by either a two-thirds majority of all voting members of the Hanhalla, or a unanimous decision of the Nivcharim in addition to one member of the Mazkirut.

(J) MAZKIRUT APPLICATION PROCESS

- J1 Applications should be sent out to all members of the youngest six Shevatim of Bogrim. This should ask for the application form to be sent back to the Mazkir/a marked "PRIVATE & CONFIDENTIAL".
- J2 The closing date for applications should be determined by the Mazkir/a, Rosh Nivchar/eret and Ombudsman.
- J3 Interviews should be conducted by one member of the Mazkirut, one representative of the Nivcharim, one Shaliach, and a past member of the Mazkirut who has not been involved with Bnei Akiva for at least two years. The Mazkir/a should strive to sit in every interview and to transcribe each.
- J4 If two or more candidates stand for the same position, then the interviews should be conducted by the same interviewers. These measures will ensure both candidates receive an equal and fair chance to express themselves.
- J5 Minutes of the interviews should be sent to all members of the Hanhalla at least one week before their meeting. Their meeting shall not take place until this has occurred. Candidates may not send any additional information to Hanhalla members. If there are further rounds of applications, the minutes should be sent at least three days before the meeting.
- J6 It is the obligation of the Hanhalla to read every candidate's application form and be open and receptive to the candidate.
- J7 Total confidentiality must be upheld by all members of the Hanhalla.
- J8 The application timetable shall be as follows:
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|--------------------------------|---------------------|
| Application forms sent out | Beginning of Week 1 |
| Applications close | End of Week 5 |
| Interviews | Week 6 |
| Minutes of interviews sent out | End of Week 6 |
| Hanhalla meeting | End of Week 7 |
- J9 The above protocol will be sent to candidates with the application form as in Section J1.
- J10 The Hanhalla is responsible for ensuring that the above protocol is adhered to. If for any reason this is not feasible, the Hanhalla has the right to amend the protocol at its discretion.

- J11 The protocol of the election meeting must be decided in advance of the Mazkirut application process by the Mazkir/a, Rosh Nivchar/eret, Shlichim, and Ombudsman, and must then be ratified by the Hanhalla.
- J12 All votes must be counted by the Shlichim and verified by the Ombudsman.

PART 2

STANDING ORDERS FOR THE VEIDA

(K) MOTIONS

- K1 Motions should be submitted to the Steering Committee at least 48 hours before the Veida, factoring in Shabbat, Tisha b'Av, and any other religious factors.
- K2 The order of motions to be discussed at Veida shall be determined by a vote whereby all Mas Chaver-paying Chaverim eligible to attend Veida will have the opportunity to indicate their support for the motions raised. All Mas Chaver-paying Chaverim will have an equally weighted vote.
- K3 Each motion must have a proposer and seconder, both of whom have paid Mas Chaver for the current year.
- K4 The motion shall be introduced with a speech by the proposer, the maximum length of which shall be five minutes. The motion shall thereafter be open for discussion, in the form of speeches from the floor.
- K5 Once a motion has been introduced it may be withdrawn only at the discretion of the proposer and seconder of that motion.
- K6 The proposer shall sum up the debate in no more than three minutes, immediately before the vote is taken.
- K7 No interruptions shall be permitted during the proposition and summing up of the motion, other than a Point of Information correcting a factual detail.
- K8 Chaverim wishing to speak shall do so only through the Chairperson. The Chairperson shall decide the priority of speakers.
- K9 Points of Order, which shall take preference over any other business, may be raised by any Chaver/a through the Chair. This includes procedural motions as described in Section (N).
- K10 Motions shall require a simple majority, except where otherwise stated in the Standing Orders. Amendments to the Standing Orders shall require a two-thirds majority. Only votes to accept or to reject the motion or amendment shall be used to determine if the required majority has been reached. All votes require at least two-thirds of the participants of the Veida to be present in order for the motion to be passed.

(L) AMENDMENTS

- L1 An amendment to the motion currently before the plenum may be proposed by any Chaver/a during the debate. This shall be done through the Chairperson.
- L2 Discussion on amendments shall follow the same form as that for motions.

- L3 If an amendment is accepted by the proposer of a motion, it shall be incorporated into the motion and not discussed separately.
- L4 If an amendment is not acceptable to the proposer of a motion, and is subsequently carried by a simple majority, the mover of the amendment shall become the proposer of the amended motion.
- L5 An amended motion may be further amended at any time during the debate.

(M) THE CHAIRPERSON

- M1 The Chairperson shall be nominated by the Steering Committee and ratified by the Veida.
- M2 The Steering Committee reserves the right to replace the current Chairperson at any time.
- M3 There shall be order and silence when the Chairperson speaks.
- M4 The Chairperson shall only exercise a casting vote.
- M5 If the Chairperson should wish to participate in any debate, they shall relinquish the Chair to another Chairperson, as elected by the Steering Committee. This shall be done prior to the proposition of the motion. The original Chairperson shall resume the Chair immediately prior to the proposition of the next motion.
- M6 The Chairperson reserves the right to impose a time limit in respect of any debate.
- M7 The Chairperson reserves the right to adjourn the session at their discretion. Henceforth, the Chairperson may reconvene the session at any point within the next 24 hours, without giving the due notice specified in Section E6.
- M8 The Chairperson, together with the Steering Committee, shall be responsible for counting the votes, overseen by the returning officers, as defined in Section E15.
- M9 If the Chairperson believes the plenum to be inquorate, they may choose to call a count. Should the plenum be found inquorate, as defined in sections E4 and K10, the Chairperson shall adjourn the plenum. If the Chairperson does not order a count, the plenum shall be presumed quorate.

(N) PROCEDURAL MOTIONS

- N1 The following are procedural motions, which shall be raised as Points of Order by a proposer and seconder. They are to be dealt with as described below.

(a) A vote of No Confidence in the Chairperson

The Chairperson shall leave the Chair. The procedural motion shall be proposed, after which the Chairperson shall defend their position. A vote will immediately follow. Should the Chairperson be defeated, they shall not return to the Chair for the duration of that Veida. They shall be replaced by a person elected by the Steering Committee.

Should the Chairperson not be defeated, they shall return to the Chair.

(b) **A challenge to the Chairperson's ruling**

The Chairperson shall leave the Chair. The procedural motion shall be proposed, and the Chairperson shall then reply. A vote on the procedural motion shall be taken immediately, and if the motion is carried, the Chairperson's decision shall be reversed.

(c) **That a specified section of these Standing Orders be suspended/resumed**

One speaker shall speak in favour of, and one against, the procedural motion. A vote shall immediately follow.

(d) **That the current motion shall be referred to the incoming Hanhalla**

One speaker shall speak in favour of, and one against, the procedural motion. A vote shall immediately follow.

(e) **That the current motion be voted on in parts**

The proposer shall state the parts to be voted on separately and explain their reasoning. One speech against shall be permitted. A vote shall immediately follow. The separate parts shall then be treated as separate motions.

(f) **That the current motion is unconstitutional**

One speaker shall speak in favour of, and one against, the procedural motion. A vote shall follow, after a discussion mediated by the Chairperson. No further discussion or vote shall be held regarding any motion deemed to be unconstitutional.

(g) **That the Veida should move to vote**

One speaker shall speak in favour of, and one against, the procedural motion. A vote shall immediately follow, and if successful, a vote on the motion itself shall immediately follow.

PART 3

STANDING ORDERS FOR MIFKAD

(O) PROTOCOL FOR MIFKAD

- O1 The Mifkad (Movement assembly), as laid down in Section O2, shall conclude all official Movement activities. Mifkad shall include the Movement mottoes, greetings, and anthem.

O2

Hamifkad na ya'avor l'noach, amod noach
(Stand easy)

הַמִּפְקָד, נֹא יַעֲבֹר לְנַח - עֲמוּד נַח

Hamifkad na ya'avor l'dom, amod dom
(Stand to attention)

הַמִּפְקָד, נֹא יַעֲבֹר לְדוּם - עֲמוּד

Mi Anachnu?
(Who are we?)

דוּם מִי אֲנַחְנוּ?

Bnei Akiva!

בְּנֵי אֶקִּיבָא

Meh Chayeinu?
(What is our way of life?)

מַה חַיֵּינוּ?

Torah va'Avodah!
(Torah and Work!)

תּוֹעֲבָדָה!

Ma Sismateinu?
(What is our motto?)

מַה סִּסְמָתֵנוּ?

Am Yisrael
B'Eretz Yisrael
Al pi Torat Yisrael!

אֲמֵן יִשְׂרָאֵל
עַל פְּתוּרָתוֹ! יִשְׂרָאֵל!

(The People of Israel
In the Land of Israel
According to the Torah of Israel!)

וְנִשְׁרֵי שִׁיר הַמְנוֹן תְּנוּעָתֵנוּ, "יֵד עַמִּים"

Nashir shir himnon tnuateinu, "Yad Achim"
(We will now sing the anthem of our Movement, "Yad Achim")

יֵד עַמִּים שִׁיר הַמְנוֹן הַחֲבִיבֵנוּ, דָּגֵלנוּ: לְכָם חֲנוּ מִסְבִּיב.

Yad achim lachem shelucha hano'ar hechaviv
Al digleinu kulchem chanu misaviv
Yazhir lachem kochav Torah
Darkechem sugah ba'Avodah
B'leiv amitz b'ezrat Hashem aloh na'aleh!
Kadima Bnei Akiva heidad b'ma'aleh!

יִזְהַר לָכֶם לְכֹכַב תּוֹרָה,
דִּירְכֶם סוּגָה בְּעֵבֻדָּה.
בְּלֵב אֲמִיץ בְּעֶזְרַת ה', עֲלֵה נִעְלֵה!
קְדִמָּה, בְּנֵי אֶקִּיבָא, הִידֵּד בְּמַעְלָה!
נִחְלָטוּ, אֶרֶץ אֲבוֹת אֶרֶץ הַקֹּשֶׁה,
מִיָּד, יִעָקֵב, לֵנוּ מִקְשָׁה.

Moledet zo eretz avot artzeinu hak'doshah
Midei avir Ya'akov lanu morasha
Rasheinu b'imkei Toratah
Kapeinu b'rigvei admatah
B'leiv amitz b'ezrat Hashem aloh na'aleh!
Kadima Bnei Akiva heidad b'ma'aleh!

אֲרֵצֵנוּ, תְּחִלָּתָהּ, כִּפְיוֹ בְּרֵי אֲדֻמָּתָהּ
בְּלֵב אֲמִיץ בְּעֶזְרַת ה', עֲלֵה נִעְלֵה!
קְדִמָּה, בְּנֵי אֶקִּיבָא, הִידֵּד בְּמַעְלָה!

*A brotherly hand is stretched out to you, O beloved youth:
Gather yourselves around our flag.
The star of the Torah shall shine for you,
Your path shall be one of labour.
With a sturdy heart, with the help of God, we will go up!
Forward, Bnei Akiva, forward to the heights!*

*This homeland, the holy Land of our fathers,
Our heritage from the hand of the Mighty One of Jacob.
Our minds are steeped in her Torah,
Our hands are immersed in her soil.
With a sturdy heart, with the help of God, we will go up!
Forward, Bnei Akiva, forward to the heights!*

Nashir shir himnon medinateinu artzeinu, "Hatikvah"

(We will now sing the anthem of our homeland, "Hatikvah")

Kol od balevav p'nima
Nefesh yehudi homiya,
Ulfa'atei mizrach kadima
Ayin l'Tziyon tzofiya.
Od lo avda tikvateinu
Hatikvah bat sh'not alpayim,
Lihyot am chofshi b'artzeinu
Eretz Tziyon vi'Yerushalayim.

**נְשִׁיר שִׁיר הַמְנוֹן מְדִינָתֵנו
אֶרְצֵינוּ "הַתִּקְוָה"**

כָּל עוֹלָמָב פְּמִמָּה נֶפֶשׁ יְהוּדִי הִמָּה,
אֶל מִזְרָח קְדִימָה עֵין לִצִּיּוֹן צִפְיָה.
עוֹלָא אֶבְדָּה יִתְקַנּוּ, מִקְוֵה בֵּית אֱלֹהִים לִי
רוֹחַ עַם חֲפְשִׁי בְּאֶרֶץנוּ,

וְיִצְחָק וְיִשְׁלָם.

*So long as still within our hearts
A Jewish spirit sings,
So long as the eye looks eastward
Gazing toward Zion.
Our Hope shall not be lost
The Hope of two millennia,
To be a free people in our land
The land of Zion and Jerusalem.*

Hashem imachem!

(May Hashem be with you)

ה' עִמָּכֶם!

Yevarechecha Hashem!

(Hashem will bless you)

יְבָרְכֶךָ ה'!

Mifkad p'turim

(Mifkad dismissed)

מִפְקֵד פְּטוּרִים

- O3 The official Movement colours shall be blue and white.
- O4 The Movement shirt shall be the official uniform of Bnei Akiva, and should be worn by all Rashei Sviva, Sganei Sviva, and Madrichim at their respective Svivot.
- O5 The Movement emblem shall be known as the Semel and shall be as follows:



