

## Veida XI 2001 Mansfield, Ontario

### Movement Reports

**Mazkir's report:** Jamie Levin reports that all seven HDNA machanot are looking good in terms of registration, tzevet and chinuch needs. Mercaz, Moetzet Chinuch and Moetzet Machaneh have been integral in working to strengthen our binational network of Machanot and Kenim with real chinuch content. Our tochniot in Israel, MBI, Workshop, and The Ma'apilim Mifgash, have proceeded during the uncertain climate of the Intifadah under the movement's guidelines to operate only safe and meaningful programs. Our record is recognized as the best in the Jewish community. Over the past two years our keshet has been strengthened enormously. B'Tnua is now published regularly and is mailed to every chaver tnua, the web page is regularly updated with new and innovative content, and our listserv is a forum for regular dialogue on issues pertinent to the movement. However, these vehicles for communication are only as good as the content our members provide, every chaver tnua should feel a personal responsibility to contribute and participate. Check out the new Virtual Cheder Chinuch at [www.habonimdror.org](http://www.habonimdror.org). Ma'apilim should make use of the Batei Shalom project, a network of communal households across North America. Batei Shalom are a vehicle for Ma'apilim to live out their ideals and be activists in their communities with the assistance of Habonim Dror. Previously, Veida had the luxury of being complacent; in the past there was optimism, now that optimism is gone. The left has been dealt a hard blow and this Veida is an opportunity for soul-searching. It is time for the youth to lead the way to peace; we need to ensure that that happens.

**Mercaz Tochniot's report:** Alexis Kort reports that MBI Yud was very successful despite decreased enrollment due to the matzav in Israel. There has been a huge evolution of the Workshop tochnit including a five-month ulpan program on kibbutz and a five-month kvutza urban commune. HDNA is committed to keep running MBI, Workshop, and other Mifgashim in Israel as long as it is 'safe and meaningful' to continue traveling in Israel. The current programs are including more elements of social justice in Israel to reflect HDNA's changing ideology.

**Gizbarit's report:** Ilana Ron reported on the financial goals of the movement, which are to reduce, or debt, standardize Mas and seminar payments and form a committee to train the Gizbar/it in future years.

**Racaz T'nua Aleph:** Ari Levy is preparing an educational resource book to be used in the kenim and the machanot on the topic of the Palestinian-Israeli conflict. He will approach the HD listserv to illicit relevant personal accounts to add to the resource book.

**Racaz T'nua Bet:** Michael Davidson compiles and publishes B'tnua, Habonim Dror North America's primary publication. This is a forum for Habonim Dror members to communicate their thoughts and share ideas to other chevri t'nua. B'tnua is for all members of the movement and so should reflect a range of issues and articles for chanachim to Ma'apilim alike. The current circulation of B'tnua is 2,600. Chevrei t'nua are responsible for providing the written and pictorial content of B'tnua.

**Racaz T'nua Gimmel:** Dov Goldman is adding to and updating the HDNA website on a constant basis. Everybody in the T'nua is encouraged to give input

**Kenim of Eizor Galil:** These large kenim are continuing a strong combination of kef and chinuch peulot.

**Kenim of Na'aleh:** Aviva Kutnick (Rosh 2002) reports that, the new Rosh Eizor for Na'aleh, is committed to doing one peulah a month. Already the chanichim have had a peulah at the New York Bayit on Media Bias and a Chanukah party at the central office.

**Kenim of Eizor Moshava:** despite minimal effort on the part of Ken madrichim, chanichim attend peulot, lots of kef, the ken practiced tikkun olam by making meals for Thanksgiving to be served to homeless of DC and Baltimore.

**Kenim of Eizor Tavor:** Midwestern Kenim are doing well. New Kenim in Minneapolis and Northern Michigan. They are planning non-competitive Winter Olympics in Detroit.

**Kenim of Eizor Gilboa:** Tripled attendance in the Gilboa ken, peulot take place once a month. The ken recently participated in the LA Unity Festival. San Diego and Bay Area Kenim are also active and growing. Getting better and commit to continued improvements.

**Kenim of Eizor Miriam:** High hopes in Edmonton for continued Ken activities. In Vancouver there are a plethora of dedicated madrichim, ratio of 6 madrichim to 1 chanich at peulot in Ken Akiba. Cancelled fall seminar because of low chanichim enrollment and competing with mysterious x-box.

**Kenim of Gesher Eizor:** In Toronto the Ken is doing joint peulot with Hashomer Hatzair and B'nei Akiva and involved in Toronto youth council, Chanukah sleepover was successful.

**World Zionist Congress Elections Report (Jamie Levin):** The congress meets every 4 years since its inception by Theodore Herzl. Representatives at the congress are from all over the world. The main function of the WZC is to discuss and pass resolutions but without the power of government, The WZC controls funding of the World Zionist Organization (WZO) and de facto the Jewish Agency. HDNA represents voice of Progressive Labor Zionism at the Congress and we sustain our friendships in the Zionist community. All chevrei t'nua and their associates over the age of 18 are strongly encouraged to register and vote in the congress if Habonim Dror North America is going to be a substantial voice in world Zionist politics. It is possible to register and vote on-line through the HDNA website by January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2002.

### Approval of Veida Procedure

Amendment to article III, 21 of the constitution: abstentions should count towards quorum fails.

Motion to acclaim veida procedure as found in the Constitution is accepted.

The Mitbach was determined to count as a caucus table.

Quorum set at 50 (motion to rescind this quorum fails).

### Plenary Session I: Ideology (Yoshev Rosh: Sam Bernofsky)

#### **Reaffirmation of Convictions: 2 Peoples, 2 States, One Future**

Mazkirut Artzit

Whereas Habonim Dror is a decidedly Progressive Zionist Youth Movement even during these extended times of crisis and tragedy in the Middle East;

We the members of Habonim Dror reaffirm our commitment to the following:

Ending violence and terrorism, which are counterproductive to actualizing peace;

Both people must return to negotiation and compromise;

The creation of a Palestinian State based on a just and lasting peace and mutual recognition of self-determination;

The *easing of restrictions* (Ari Chester) and end of collective punishment on ~~the Palestinian People~~ Palestinian people (Ruth Stevens) especially with regards to the practice of home demolitions;

The creative division of Jerusalem as a capital of two nations;

The end of settlement expansion and dismantling of provocative settlements;

An end to the occupation of the West Bank and Gaza Strip;

*We support the creation of a responsible and democratic Palestinian government* (Zack Goelman).

Therefore, be it further resolved that Habonim Dror be vocal and active in the pursuit of these convictions in North America, Israel, and globally.

*NOTES: Questions were raised about dividing East Jerusalem, the validity of telling the Palestinians what type of government they should have. No infringement on Jerusalem being the capital of Israel. Written with the experience of the Mazkirut Artzit. The term "collective punishment" rankled some. Some found that this proposal illustrates what the movement is and should strive for (i.e., end of human rights violations and improving the way the Israeli government behaves). Though the friendly amendment was accepted to switch the last bullet to the first, Alexis would like to make the point that it "jeopardizes the poetic integrity of the resolution."*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
84	11	8

**Proposal passes**

**Social Justice Reminder**

Jon Sulman

Whereas Social Justice is a pillar of Habonim Dror,  
 Whereas HDNA is an organization of North Americans,  
 Whereas United States President George W. Bush and Attorney General John Ashcroft have approved the use of ~~secret~~(Ilana Ron) military tribunals for the trials of suspected terrorists,  
 Whereas such tribunals violate the principles of human rights, social justice, *and democracy* (Ari Chester)

Let it be resolved that Habonim Dror shall oppose the use of ~~secret~~ *such* (Ilana Ron) military tribunals,

Let it be resolved that HDNA shall encourage education and awareness of domestic as well as international issues in *kenim* and *machanot* and,

Let it be resolved that HDNA shall take an active role in domestic as well as international politics.

*NOTES: Sicha focused on including similar issues in the Canadian govt.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
68	9	17

**Proposal passes**

**In Opposition of Construction in the Halutza Sands:**

The Mazkirut Artzit

Whereas, Habonim Dror North America has long advocated a negotiated peace agreement between Israel and the Palestinians,  
 And our vision of peace manifests itself in a two state solution;  
 Whereas, the Oslo Peace Process taught us that the road to peace must be paved through confidence building measures and difficult compromises,  
 And the Intifadah has led to the end of a nearly decade-long process but has not depleted our vision of just and lasting peace;  
 Whereas, Habonim Dror North America recognizes that territory exchange will be a cornerstone of any agreement reached between Israel and the Palestinians;  
 Whereas, the exchange of the Halutza Sands region that adjoins the Southeast corner of the Gaza Strip in return for the annexation of certain settlement blocs in the West Bank has been spelled out in the Beilin-Abu Mazen Plan and The Camp David (II) Negotiations, and reaffirmed in the Clinton Parameters;  
 Whereas, this territorial compromise will surely form the basis of any future peace negotiations;  
 Whereas, Ariel Sharon ran his Prime Ministerial campaign on a promise to settle the Halutza Sands, and his administration approved construction in July 2001 for the Halutza Sands;  
 Whereas, this move has complicated negotiations and acts to jeopardize future peace accords, and This act sends a message to the Palestinian Authority and the community of nations that Israel is unwilling to exchange land for peace.

Be it resolved, that Habonim Dror calls for a cessation of construction in the Halutza Sands. Further, Habonim Dror calls on both the Palestinian Authority and the Israeli Government to make a good faith effort to revive *peace* (Shawn Guttman) negotiations.

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>

75	8	17
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**Proposal passes**

**Baruch Hashem-ite: The Jordan River is Deep and Wide but Blood is Thicker than Water.**

Jake Passel and Ezra Brooks

Whereas, after World War I, the League of Nations defined “Palestine” to be within what is now Israel, the Territories and Jordan.

Whereas, a *passel* (Jamie Levin) of Jordanian residents originate from territory that is West of the Jordan River.

Whereas, previous and current Jordanian rulers and politicians-King Hussein, Crown Prince Hassan, etc.- have publicly expressed that there exists a bond between Jordan and the rest of historic Palestine

Let it be resolved that HDNA advocates the view that in order to resolve the current conflicts, the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan must work with the State of Israel and the Palestinian National Authority to establish a lasting peace in the Middle East.

*Notes: the words, “approximately 75%,” were changed to “passel.”*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
14	64	14

**Proposal fails**

**Wake up and smell the occupation**

Hollis Architzel and Jamie Beran

Whereas Habonim Dror North America is a youth movement committed to social justice

Whereas the occupation of Palestine is in direct conflict with our ideals of social justice

Whereas it is inferred that HDNA condemns all forms of violence, state sponsored, terrorist or otherwise.

Whereas both active passive violence has been central to the Israeli occupation of Palestine

Whereas occupation, and not limited to but especially settlements pose a major obstacle to peace

Whereas HDNA has a unique definition of Zionism with little resemblance to the mainstream use of the word

Whereas all of HDNA pillars are interconnected

Therefore let it be resolved that:

The pillars of Zionism and Social Justice are best actualized in an active struggle to end the occupation of Palestine through both education and political activism.

This would be implemented including but not limited to the following:

A focus of the tochnit chinuch be of the history and effects of the occupation of Palestine at each machaneh

During machaneh whenever possible, at least one kvutza will do tikun olam with an organization that is working towards an end to occupation

At least one, but preferably more, ken peulot on the history and effects of the occupation and when possible kenim are encouraged to do tikun olam with an organization, working to end the occupation

The history and effects of the occupation will become a greater focus in the MBI and workshop tochniot. This will be implemented by but not limited to:

The MBI tochnit will include education about the occupation and whenever possible, volunteer with organizations in Israel working towards an end to occupation.

In the workshop tochnit during both the HaNoar HaOved and Workshop chava periods, Workshoppers will be encouraged to volunteer for organizations working to end the occupation

*Notes: Motion to table part 1 of proposal fails. There are concerns with the “whereas” section. People questioned whether this proposal belonged in another plenary session. Concerns that this proposal focuses only on one side of a greater issue.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
28	39	18

**Proposal fails**

**Motion to allow the shlichim to address the veida.**

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
61	3	15

**Proposal passes**

**REAWAKENING AND SMELLING THE OCCUPATION**

Hollis Architzel and Jamie Beran

Whereas the Labor government (especially Shimon Peres) has put forth the largest settlement plan of any PM candidate

Whereas HDNA’s connection to the Labor Party is merely historic

Whereas both the ideology and practices of the Labor Party are in direct conflict with the ideology of HDNA

Let it be resolved that:

HDNA cut all ties, official and otherwise, with the Labor Party of the State of Israel

*Notes: motion to caucus failed. This proposal was initially part of the previous proposal a motion to divide the question passed. There were concerns that this proposal could harm the movement and the relationships we have with affiliated organizations.*

**Proposal tabled**

**Reaffirming Support For Israel**

Mimi Oziel, Ruthie Garelik, Sam Heller, Steph Goldberg, Lilah Rubin, Amir Tsemach, and Sam Ruskin.

Whereas Habonim is a Labor Zionist Youth Movement, which has always been supportive of equality in Israel.

Whereas, Habonim Dror has the aim of upbuilding the state of Israel as a progressive egalitarian society, a spiritual center of the Jewish People.

Whereas, Habonim Dror calls for aliyah and an active involvement in Progressive Zionist and Jewish issues in the Diaspora

Whereas, Israel is a country primarily supported by Jews.

Therefore be it resolved that Habonim Dror North America should reaffirm ~~define~~ and vocalize to its *chanichim in peulot* (Roni Zacsh) its support for the state of Israel as stated in the aims of Habonim Dror.

*Notes: People wondered why there was a necessity for this proposal. People felt like it reiterated the importance of presenting Zionism in it’s entirety and not only the criticisms against it.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
48	11	11

**Proposal passes**

## Judaism Pillar Renovation

Josh Fishbein and Jake Passel

Whereas the purpose of the Pillars is to reflect the unifying tenets of the movement,  
Whereas it has been reflected that HDNA is primarily not a religious movement,  
Whereas it has also been reflected that Judaism within HDNA is primarily cultural ~~and secular~~,  
(Ruth Stevens)

Whereas the term “Judaism” carries religious implications,  
Whereas the term ~~“Jewish Identity”~~ *Cultural Judaism* (Ruth Stevens) carries cultural ~~and secular~~  
(Ruth Stevens) implications,

Let it be resolved that the Pillar of Judaism be renamed to ~~“Jewish Identity”~~ *Cultural Judaism*  
(Ruth Stevens) to better reflect the unifying tenets of the movement.

*Notes: Comments about the vagueness of the proposal. Concerns that this definition may limit our practice of Judaism.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
13	60	8

### Proposal fails

## Separating Pro-Israel from Pro-Israeli Government

Ben Meiselman

Whereas Progressive Labor Zionism supports the definition of Israel as a necessary central physical space for the Jewish People  
Whereas actions and policies carried out by the Israeli Government are often in conflict with the ideals of HDNA

Let it be resolved that HDNA is definitively Pro-Israel regardless of its stance on a given Israeli government. This means that even while disagreeing with policies of the government HDNA will forever recognize and promote Israel’s rights as a sovereign democratic nation.

*Notes: People felt that the proposal was nicely phrased. A general feeling that an important distinction was made. Certain people struggled with the eternity of ‘forever’.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
77	2	4

### Proposal Passes

## Reaffirming Education About the Occupation

Hollis Architel, Jamie Beran

Whereas HDNA is a Progressive Zionist movement committed to social justice;  
Whereas HDNA strives for peace and the cessation of violence;  
Whereas occupying another nation is ultimately a situation that must end, given our hope for peaceful coexistence with our neighbors;  
Whereas in the face of the ~~ongoing~~ (Brian Cohen) Intifadah, we often neglect to be sensitive to the plight of the Palestinian people who suffer from the occupation, and we fail to realize that the occupation is greater in scope than settlement activity;

Therefore, be it resolved that:

We reaffirm that an emphasis should be placed on learning about the occupation (including learning about closures, etc), even despite ever-changing circumstances in the Middle East;

And we urge that in machanot, Ken peulot, in MBI *and on Workshop* (Shawn Guttman) we do not lose sight of our Progressive Zionist ideals, and that we confront this issue, however difficult it may be.

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
70	3	2

### **Proposal passes**

#### **A Call to Release NIS 4 billion Aid Package to the Arab Local Councils**

The mazkirut Artzit

Whereas, Habonim Dror North America, strives to create a new social order based on the principles of social justice, cooperative economics, and political democracy, and As a Progressive Labor Zionist Youth Movement Israel is the focus of our efforts.  
Whereas, The non-Jewish minority of Israel is nearly 20 percent of the population.  
Whereas, “Jewish municipalities receive on the average twice the monetary allocations that are given to Arab Local Councils,” and  
“Only one percent of the building projects undertaken by the Ministry of Housing are carried out in Arab Localities,” and  
“Most Jewish elementary schools get 30 percent more [teaching hours] than the Arab schools, and in secondary schools the gap reaches 50 percent.” (Washington Report on Middle Eastern Affairs web site)  
Whereas, in response to rioting in the Galilee last October Labor Prime Minister Ehud Barak agreed to release 4 billion shekels in aid to the Arab Local Councils, and Prime Minister Ariel Sharon promised to maintain this aid program.  
Whereas, these funds have not been forthcoming, and  
This promise has “forced many Arab Local Councils to eat into next year’s budget, and, in some cases, stop paying municipal workers.” (The Jerusalem Post, August 9, 2001)  
Whereas, Promises notwithstanding, the plight of Israel’s minority population has been worsening.

Be it resolved, that we call for the immediate release of these funds as a show of good faith. Further, we call on the Government of Israel to make serious strides to ensure the well-being of all its citizens.

*Notes: Safi Gercheck made a motion to add content concerning funding of Jewish schools, it was withdrawn.*

#### ***Proposal was acclaimed.***

#### **HDNA’s Depictions of Israel**

Mazkirut Artzit

Whereas HDNA has historically rejected Israel’s occupation of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip by refusing to found or contribute to kibbutzim and/or settlements in the territories, and  
Whereas HDNA resolved over a decade ago, in a Veida structure, to explicitly support a two-state solution to the Palestinian-Israeli conflict, and  
Whereas HDNA has continued to support this resolution in our chinuch programming since its passage, and  
Whereas HDNA resolved to publicly support a two-state solution nearly a decade before the concept was accepted, or even realistically considered, by mainstream Israeli and/or Diaspora Jewish communities, and  
Whereas HDNA exhibited their idealistic, visionary nature by supporting such an unpopular opinion, which has since gained favor, and  
Whereas HDNA has supported the Middle East peace process with an acknowledgment that the ultimate goal of the process is the creation of a separate Palestinian state, and

Whereas an overt show of support for the peace process and its possible outcomes is necessary to continue the stalled process,

Therefore, be it resolved that henceforth HDNA will ~~exclude~~ *clearly identify* (Ben Meiselman) the West Bank and Gaza Strip from drawings and maps of Israel, except where these are required for educational reasons of especially chinuch related to the current and historical situation(s).

This ~~exclusion~~ *identification* (Ben Meiselman) shall apply to all Ken, Machaneh and Tnuva Artzit publications, flyers, T-shirts, etc. and shall be extended to new areas as needed. Jerusalem will continue to be included as a part of Israel until such time as HDNA resolves against it, or until this inclusion is contrary to Israeli-Palestinian agreements determining the city's final status.

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
83	2	5

### **Proposal passes**

#### **Resignation of the Current Israeli Government**

By the Mazkirut Artzit

Whereas, Habonim Dror North America has long stood as a staunch supporter of peace in Israel and for the evolution of a progressive Jewish State.

Whereas, the Labor Party has long been the advocate of a negotiated peace agreement between Israel and the Palestinians.

Whereas, the governing coalition in the Knesset has produced neither peace nor security.

Whereas, the Labor Party, as a member of the governing coalition, has been unsuccessful in moderating the actions of the government.

Whereas, their presence lends legitimacy to the strategy-void cycle of violence to which the government is party.

Whereas, a crushing blow was dealt to Ehud Barak and the entire Labor Party after the last Prime Ministerial elections, and

Whereas the Labor Party has yet to recover from the last elections, evidenced by an acute lack of leadership and definitive policy regarding the obliteration of the Peace Process and the persisting Intifadah.

Therefore, be it resolved that Habonim Dror North America calls for the resignation of the Labor Party from the governing coalition.

Further, be it resolved that Habonim Dror demands the resignation of Ariel Sharon and the initiation of general democratic elections in the State of Israel for a new Prime Minister and the formation of a new coalition.

*Notes: Debate focused on the ramifications of Labor withdrawing from the coalition and whether or not its HDNA has a role, as non-Israeli citizens, to influence the democratic processes and policies of the State of Israel.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
23	41	47

### **Proposal fails**

#### **The Wrong of Return**

Jake Passel and Danna Gutman

Whereas Habonim Dror North America is a Progressive Labor Zionist movement that has consistently supported a just solution to the Arab-Israeli conflict,

Whereas the Israeli Labor Party and the Labor Zionist movement have consistently, as expressed by such prominent figures as Ehud Barak and Yossi Beilin, rejected the call for return of Palestinian Arab refugees to the State of Israel,

Whereas an influx of Palestinian Arab refugees into the state of Israel would drastically disturb the stability and progress of the Israeli economy,

Whereas an influx of Palestinian Arab refugees would threaten Israel's character as a Jewish Democratic State,

Whereas HDNA has itself participated in the development of settlements on the sites of abandoned Arab settlements- e.g. Geshar Haziv, Ma'ayan Baruch, Kfar Blum, Ravid, Urim, etc.,  
Whereas HDNA recognizes that Palestinian refugees are a people that have been living under oppression in squalid conditions and that this situation gives rise to understandable anti-Israeli sentiment,

Let it be resolved that HDNA replaces its resolution calling for the return of Palestinian Arab refugees to Israel, supporting instead just compensation which will come from Israel, but not exclusively from Israel.

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
36	27	28

**Proposal passes**

### **Plenary Session II: Tochniot and Seminars (Yoshev Rosh: Shawn Guttman)**

#### **Nationalized Tochnit Madatz**

Mazkirut Artzi

Whereas there has been a need to create a feeling and connection to the national movement  
Whereas hadracha training should be uniform throughout the movement  
Whereas the madatz tochnit differs between machanot, causing hadracha training that is almost exclusive to each machaneh  
Whereas there is a constant need for continuity in HDNA and instilling love for the movement, not just the individual machaneh  
Whereas working in solidarity is always more productive than not

Be it resolved that:

The madatz tochnit be changed to be more of the national program it is

This ~~would~~ *could* (Brian Cohen) entail...

Creating a two-week long period of the madatz summer wherein all of the madatzim from around HDNA were together for an intensive seminar in hadracha

After these two weeks, splitting the madatz up into their respective machanot where they will continue with peulot that have been orchestrated on a national level, and gain a hands-on experience working with chanichim

Giving the Mazkirut Artzi a hand in hiring a tzevet madatz, which would include a Rosh Madatz Tochnit

Raising the price of the madatz program, *while advising and encouraging camp committees to raise the bonus madrichim get for having done the madatz tochnit* (Lea).

May it be further resolved that:

The next Mazkirut Artzi will be responsible for putting this tochnit together and investigating implementation by the year 2004

Until that point, each machaneh should commit to participating in a (at least) two-day-long national madatz mifgash

*When the Mazkirut Artzi finishes investigating and comes up with a plan they will only implement it after a referendum or by bringing it to veida* (Roni Zach).

*Notes: debate focused on questions of price, location (i.e., which machaneh), and feasibility. It was emphasized that the language of the resolution simply mentions "investigating implementation." It was also emphasized that these are only guidelines and suggestions for researching this issue.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
71	17	4

## Proposal passes

### WORKSHOP: Hagshama, hagshama, hagshama...

Jamie Beran and Jessie Weber

Whereas Workshop is intended to be a year of actualization of HDNA ideology  
Whereas Workshop is intended to be a building block, instilling a foundation of a commitment to further exploration of communal living, Labor Zionism and true principles of hagshama  
Whereas a true Workshop tochnit is already moving in the direction of realistic ways to implement our ideology in the modern Israeli world (i.e., Irbutzim)  
Whereas the role taken on by Workshop madrichim tends to impede in the development of a mature empowered kvutza  
Whereas a close relationship with Hanoar Haoved Ve'Halomed has proven to be highly beneficial in guiding us to a more viable modern fulfillment of our ideology  
Whereas Habonim Dror tends to stress the financial aspects of socialism, which leads to the building of a shared money system (kupa) before the building of kvutza on workshop

Let it be resolved:

That the Workshop tochnit continue to move away from a large amount of time on kibbutz and to more time in a Workshop chava

That the chava should be located (as practically as possible) in a city or area conducive to good volunteer jobs and activism that relates to Habonim Dror ideology (i.e., Peace and coexistence work)

That even on kibbutz; early connections with Hanoar Haoved be made through the local ken or chava and activities are planned with Hanoar Haoved throughout the workshop year, not just during and after the chava period

That the spirit of the Workshop orientation is changed to meet the following goals:

1. Empowerment of Workshopers to write and run their own peulot through resources provided by the madrichim and to "create their own culture"
2. That emphasis be placed on building a kvutzah, a process that takes time and energy, before focusing on establishing a working kupa and that the pressure be taken off the early establishment of kupa *however, we recognize that ultimately the decision of when and how to create a kupa is up to the Workshop Kvutzah* (Shosh Ruskin and Rachel Profetta)
3. That, as frequently as possible, in pre Workshop programming (i.e., madatz, winter seminar), emphasis be put on kvutza building.

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
74	2	5

## Proposal passes

### Resuscitating Social Justice

Omri Seidenberg & Roni Zacsh

Whereas one of the pillars of Habonim Dror North America is social justice, and  
Whereas Habonim Dror North America considers itself an active youth movement, and  
Whereas social justice is a neglected pillar at seminars, Mercazim, Kenim, and  
Whereas at machanot social justice is an issue that has fallen between the cracks, and at some machanot is not even mentioned outside of learning the pillars,  
We have written a proposal to revive social justice and activism within the framework of HDNA.  
We have built the proposal around every aspect of the movement and divided it into four components as follows: machanot, seminars, kenim, and Ma'apilim.

#### **MACHANOT:**

We propose that a stronger emphasis on social justice and action be built into the chinuch program at all HDNA machanot, as follows:

First session will consist of at least two peulot, and second session will consist of at least one peulah. The focus of the peulot will be one issue looked at from different aspects (i.e., political, environmental, human rights, etc.) in order to give a deeper perception of each issue. For example: Nike can be the issue and the aspects can be political: globalization/corporations; human rights: workers rights; etc. Each session will also consist of one Yom Tikkun Olam where chanichim will all go do service work in the surrounding communities. The peulot should be in connection to the project that they will be doing, in order to inspire them and give them a deeper understanding, and hands on experience with the issue.

**SEMINARS:**

We propose that all Winter Seminars and other madrichim seminars include at least one peulah on the topic of social justice and action. These peulot will teach theoretical/philosophical ideas, actual current issues, as well as offer ideas on how to get involved in activism (i.e., organizations, programs, etc.).

**KENIM:**

We have split this into two components: Training, and Action.

Training: We propose that at every Mercaz a peulah will be run for Roshei Ken on how to run peulot on social justice/activism, project ideas for their kenim, how to get kids inspired, as well as ways and ideas for them as individuals to get involved. We propose that each Rosh Ken receive a pamphlet to guide them in planning peulot. The pamphlet will have project ideas, sichot questions, methods, etc.

Action: Each Rosh Ken must actualize what they learned at Mercazim by running at least one tikkun olam activity a year for their ken. The activity must include a peulah, to be followed by a project (i.e., low income housing then working for Habitat for Humanity). We suggest this be done by holding a sleepover: the first day can be a relaxed/casual peulah with dinner, and a kef activity, followed the next day by the actual service project. In order to make this feasible we strongly suggest that Shlichim and Rakazei Eizor either attend the ken activity or meet (or if not possible hold a phone ‘meeting’) with the Rosh Ken to offer support, suggestions, ideas, and help tie any loose ends.

**MAAPILIM:**

We propose that the Central Office stay updated on social action seminars, protests, rallies, etc. and email the listserve well in advance about these events in order for Ma’apilim to have an information source. In addition, we urge that Ma’apilim who can attend these events do so together, and that the movement as a whole encourage people to get involved as a movement in such events.

*Notes: this proposal was tabled in the previous plenary session. In caucus reports, it was stated that we already implement tikkun olam projects, and this proposed resolution does not give enough credit to what is already done. In each way mentioned above, Habonim Dror already implements tikkun olam and social justice programs.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
61	7	16

**Proposal passes**

**Put the “Arab” back in Arab-Israeli Conflict on MBI**

Chaya Rubin

Whereas, Habonim Dror, is a Socialist, Labor Zionist Youth Movement that is very much supported by its Israel Programs, specifically MBI and Workshop, in both chinuch content and membership continuity, and

Whereas, specifically the MBI program, many times introduces HDNA’s youth to the issues and relationships surrounding the Israeli-Arab conflict, and

Whereas, as a politically Left and progressive movement who challenges the notions of how Zionism is perceived on both sides, and

Whereas, the political climate in the Middle East, more specifically Israel and the Palestinian occupied territories has become more violent and complicated in the past year or so,

Let it be resolved that Habonim Dror, in the planning of the MBI tochnit for upcoming summers, promote as much as possible within the framework of the tochnit planning between The Israel Experience, the Rosh MBI, and the MBI Madrichim a physical and intellectual dialogue with Palestinian *or Arab-Israeli* (Itamar Landau) youth and/or ~~Palestinian~~ (Itamar Landau) activists, as well as organizations and communities who support and take active steps to work towards a mutual reality in which dialogue and understanding is promoted.

*Notes: There was a large contingent that wanted to add something about doing more with Israeli youth in general.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
77	1	8

**Proposal passes**

**Workshop: We don't want your free-range eggs**

Jessie Weber, Hollis Architel and Jamie Beran

Whereas, Workshop is a unique program geared towards Kvutzah living in Israel, and Whereas, on programs such as workshop individual actions can and have endangered the entire Workshop Kvutzah and the continuation of the Workshop program and the reputation of HDNA, and

Whereas people are not always aware of the constraints of being on the Workshop program, and Whereas, the application process has often been geared towards recruitment within Habonim Dror rather than individual compatibility with the tochnit

Let it be resolved that all Workshoppers must have the ability to leave the program at any point if necessary and sign a contract to this effect. *Additionally, Workshoppers choosing to leave the tochnit will not be discriminated against in HDNA specifically concerning hiring for machanot tzvatim* (Jeff Cohen), and

That individual interviews are conducted thoroughly and consistently with an interviewer who has personal and intimate experience with the Workshop program with the following points emphasized

1. Group responsibility on Workshop comes before individual desires
2. Parts of the Workshop program are constricting and there is a standard of kvutzah commitment and peulah attendance, and

That the entire application process should be in the spirit of self-selection, in that the applicant should critically evaluate the Workshop program's compatibility with his or her needs and desires for the coming year, while the Mazkirut Artzit retains the right to reject applicants when appropriate, and

That the expectation be made clear from the onset of the application process (beginning from Madatz but especially the pre-Workshop seminar) that it is illogical to go on Workshop without the intention to have a strong kvutzah commitment and to attend all kvutzah and program related activities, because the nature of the Workshop program inherently requires such commitment, and That at least one peulah will be run for the pre-Workshop kvutzah during Winter Seminar each year about commitment to the kvutzah covering the contents of this proposal and exploring the spirit behind it.

*Notes: Concern was voiced about the alarmist and confusing claims regarding recruitment being needs being placed above those of the kvutzah.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
63	2	22

**Proposal Passes**

**Ein Macomech Etanu**

Leah Rinaldi, Lindsey Ross, and Gil Browdy

Whereas, Veida is the event and forum that “puts the move in movement”

Whereas, Veida should be representative of as many of Habonim’s members as possible and all encompassing of their views and ideas and thoughts and wonderments.

Whereas, one is not allowed to come only to the Veida portion of Winter Seminar which greatly hinders the movements ability to accurately represent its members and furthermore limits the ability of members to have a voice in the movement.

In response to this we the three authors propose the option, though not encouragement, of attending only Veida and not Winter Seminar. Realizing that this is logistically a hassle, we also propose the agreement upon certain conditions (e.g., find your own way there, pay extra, etc.).

*Notes: the Mazkirut thought that this would be a logistical nightmare.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
15	58	19

**Proposal fails**

### **Post MBI Who?**

Ben Meiselman, Jackie Silvermann, Sarah Kaiser, and Asaf Gerchak

Whereas, the Kvutzah between the MBI and Madatz programs has no official title and all other kvutzot have titles

Whereas, this kvutzah plays an important role in the movement as future Ma’apilim

Let it be resolved that the kvutzah between the MBI and Madatz programs will be know as “Habayim,” meaning those who come.

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
31	42	14

**Proposal fails**

### **Plenary Session III: Constitution (Yoshevet Rosh: Jamie Beran)**

#### **Put the “Hanoar Haoved” back in Habonim Dror**

Chaya Rubin

Whereas Habonim Dror maintains a relationship with Hanoar Haoved Vehalomed by collaborating with them in certain areas on both the MBI and Workshop Programs and on other fronts, and

Whereas, Habonim Dror’s constitution clearly states its affiliation with other movements and organizations

Let it be resolved that the affiliation section of the constitution include a sentence on Habonim’s affiliation with HaNoar HaOved. *We call on HaNoar HaOved to reciprocate* (Aaron Grossman).

**Motion acclaimed**

#### **Hagshama Collectivit**

Jamie Levin and Josh Cohen

Whereas, a basic tenet of socialism can be summed up in that the power of the many is stronger than the power of one, and

Habonim Dror North America holds socialism as a fundamental notion in our goal to create a new social order throughout the world based on the universal principles of justice.

Whereas, individualism is increasingly becoming a cornerstone of the culture of North American society, and  
 Our values, and the ability of the movement to achieve its goals, have been corrupted.  
 Whereas, our definition of Hagshama Atzmit, as spelled out in the fifth aim of the Constitution of Habonim Dror North America, is insufficient in confronting these problems.

We hereby resolve that the fifth aim of the Constitution of Habonim Dror North America should be amended to read:

*To develop within it's members the will to realize their own capabilities and (Safi Gerchak) to develop a collectivist attitude to actualize the movements goals through cooperative frameworks (kvutzah).*

Further, be it resolved that the Hadracha of the movement will educate towards the concept of Hagshama Collectivit (Collective Actualization). Through this principle chanichim will be taught: collectivist values; to be critical of individualism; and how to actualize movement goals in collective frameworks.

*Notes: Some were concerned that this proposal devalues the individual. A distinction was made between individualism (the ideology of self interest and disregard for the collective) and individuality (that each person has unique needs and wants and can contribute in a myriad of ways).*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
48	20	17

**Proposal passes**

**Ken You Dig It? (Part One)**

Jeremy Kemeny, Shawn Guttman, and Zavi Lerman

Whereas, in the past, Ma'apilim have not typically participated in the running and planning of Ken peulot.

Whereas, ~~new Roshei~~ Kenim typically *lack continuity in leadership and experience* (Zach Goelman) ~~inexperienced~~ *less-experienced* (Sharona Mallaach) ~~in running and planning peulot.~~

We propose that an amendment be added to Article 2, Section 2, in the Constitution regarding members in good standing stating that, "Ma'apillim should take an active role in the ken, unless there is a valid reason for one not to participate." This can range from planning peulot to assisting in the running of peulot. This proposal would remove 'ken' from the sentence, "a member in good standing . . . be willing to assume positions and tasks of responsibility within his/her kvutza, ken and/or eizor" in article 2, section 2 and replace it with the above.

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
56	8	7

**Proposal passes**

**Habonim Dror... "North America?????"**

Proposal by: Habonim Dror Mexico

Whereas, Habonim Dror is a World Labor Zionist Socialist Jewish youth movement,  
 Whereas, Habonim Dror is established in 21 countries around the world,  
 Whereas, Habonim Dror is established in Canada, The United States of America and Mexico in North America,  
 Whereas, Habonim Dror Mexico has no representation in the Mazkirut Artzit of Habonim Dror "North America",  
 Whereas, in every country where Habonim Dror is established the name of the country (and not the geographical area) is presented right after the words "Habonim Dror" (i.e., Habonim Dror Argentina and Habonim Dror Uruguay, not Habonim Dror South America).

May it be resolved that:

The name “Habonim Dror North America” be changed to another one that shows its true representation (i.e., Habonim Dror USA and Canada, Habonim Dror Northern North America, etc.) until Habonim Dror Mexico is included and represented in a tripartite truly North American mazkirut.

*Notes: Mauri expressed how Habonim Dror Mexico is upset by the fact that HDNA uses their name untruthfully. Concerns were raised about the cost of changing the name of the movement in all our documents, etc.*

### **Motion tabled**

#### **Election of the new Mazkir Tnua**

*Notes: Josh Cohen introduced himself as the candidate for Mazkir Tnua. He asked each caucus table to come up with something that he should do as Mazkir. Then he got everybody’s phone numbers so that he could call on them to do wonderful stuff for the movement. Everyone seemed pretty excited. Later, people expressed that they were uncomfortable with the fact that there was only one candidate. There was an anonymous written vote.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
79	11	0

**Josh Cohen is elected Mazkir Tnua**

#### **Plenary Session IV: Machanot Kenim and Batei Shalom (Yoshevet Rosh: Chaya Rubin)**

### **Batei Shalom-Eretz Yisrael Style**

Shosh Ruskin and Rachel Profeta

Whereas, HDNA is a Labor Zionist Youth Movement

Whereas, social action and the creation of a just and egalitarian society is a major aim of HDNA

Whereas, HDNA encourages its chaverim to live communally in North America and in Israel

Whereas, we have already existing programs (MBI and Workshop) that provide mechanisms and an environment for our chaverim to eventually achieve our aims

Whereas, we seem to lose Ma’apilim as they get older because we do not provide these mechanisms and that environment for them

Whereas, HaNoar HaOved is our sitser youth movement in Israel

Whereas, many of our chaverim choose to study abroad in Israel during university

Therefore, let it be resolved that HDNA will create a network of communication in which those who wish to study abroad in Israel could organize themselves in Batim in the city and university of their choice. *The Mazkirut Artzit will provide all possible resources to those individuals participating to achieve the following goals (Mazkirut Artzit):*

~~This would include:~~ (Mazkirut Artzit)

- ~~The Mazkirut Artzit will help those~~ (Mazkirut Artzit) individuals studying in Israel will find a place to live together
- Those chaverim will live communally
- ~~The Mazkirut artzit will help those~~ (Mazkirut Artzit) chaverim will find social justice work through resources such as HaNoar HaOved and Kvutzat Yovel
- Those chaverim will be considered as a Beit Shalom and can therefore submit a proposal to the Central Office to receive similar subsidies.

### **Motion acclaimed**

**Habonim Dror Olami**

Mattea Lewitt

Whereas, Habonim Dror North America is part of World Habonim Dror, and  
Whereas, HDNA and World Habonim have similar ideologies.

~~Therefore, let it be resolved that non-North American madrichim who have worked in Habonim Dror North America for more than five years be allowed to hold the position of rosh in HDNA machanot.~~

*Therefore we would like the camp committee to ~~change their~~ make a (Roni Zacsh) policy on hiring roshim who have not started in HDNA. We would like to suggest to the camp committee that if a madrich/a has worked in HDNA for 3 years that they be able to be considered for rosh at a machaneh if qualified (Shawn Guttman and Roni Zacsh).*

*Notes: There was confusion over what the existing policy is. It was determined that there currently is no official policy.*

**Motion is tabled**

**Negba: Hummus and Grits**

Tzevet ken Virginia

Whereas, in its placing of machanot, Habonim Dror North America has made a substantial effort to spread Progressive Labor Zionism to the various Jewish communities of the US and Canada. Whereas, large Jewish communities in the Southeastern ~~portion of the~~ United States *and other portions of the USA and Canada* (Shawn Guttman) have been largely deprived of exposure to HDNA and its ideology.

Let it be resolved that in the coming years, HDNA will make an effort to bring its ideology to the Southern region of the USA gradually beginning with the strengthening of existing kenim and the establishment of new kenim and culminating in the establishment of at least one machaneh.

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
65	9	6

**Proposal passes**

**Ken Ya Dig It? (Part II)**

Jeremy Kemeney, Shawn Guttman, and Zavi Lerman

Whereas, in the past Ma'apilim have not typically participated in the running and planning of ken peulot.

Whereas, many kenim typically lack continuity in leadership and experience

We propose that a position is created that would make (at least) one Ma'apil who would assist the Roshei Kenim in the running and planning of Ken peulot. Their position would last the length of the term of the present Roshei Kenim. The goal of this would be to offer guidance and assistance to new and possibly inexperienced Roshei Ken.

*Notes: There was consideration given to kenim with Ma'apil/a roshim and to kenim that already have a rosh eizor. It was decided that this proposal does not contradict either of these situations and rather compliments them.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
39	19	19

**Proposal passes**

## Sex Drugs and Rock ‘n’ Roll

Sharona Mallach and Ezra Brooks

Whereas, there is a current drug policy in HDNA which says that anyone found to be in possession of *illegal* (Josh Fishbein) drugs *and alcohol* (Alexis Kort) is to be suspended from the movement for one year, and

Whereas, it is unclear how this policy pertains to tzevet time off at machaneh.

Whereas, discussion leads to awareness and awareness leads to change.

Let it be resolved that: During construction each summer a peulah will be run by the mazkirut machaneh for the tzevet discussing the movement drug *and alcohol* (Alexis Kort) policy, pros and cons of the policy, tzevet needs, tzevet time off, standards and consequences.

### Motion acclaimed

#### Plenary Session V: Movement Policy (Yoshevet Rosh: Jessie Weber)

### Who in the What Where How?

Safi Gerchak

Whereas, Habonim Dror is an organization in which the leaders (i.e., the Mazkirut Artzit) and those who lead decision making and discussion at veida are mostly, if not all, very well educated in both historical and political matters that are of much importance to the movement, and are often mentioned in peulot as a basis for discussion of other, more complicated matters.

Whereas a very large part of these people’s education in such matters is from sources outside the movement’s direct chinuch programs, such as their own independent research,

Whereas, most other ~~post-MBI and up~~ (Shawn Guttman) members are not at all as knowledgeable about even the basics of Jewish/Israeli history and politics, and may thus feel less able to participate in a variety of peulot, and may also be unwilling to ask because they do not want to look unintelligent.

Be it resolved that:

1. Habonim Dror promotes awareness of the fact that not everyone has the same level of knowledge in all matters and thus everyone must make sure that no one is excluded simply because of their experience with a particular topic.
2. The Mazkirut Artzit tries to see to it that at national seminar *and at machaneh* (Shawn Guttman), all ages present have at least several peulot on general education about history, political structure or current events, that will promote movement members having knowledge fundamental to being an informed, intelligent, political activist within the movement.
3. The Mazkirut Artzit, at the soonest possible opportunity, will compile a basic fundamental chinuch book that details an idea of a body of knowledge that should be continuously taught to each group of maturing members, so that similar chinuch may continue in the future.

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
39	19	23

### Proposal passes

### Love Proposal Numero Nueve

Jane Friedman and Brian Cohen

Whereas, Habonim Dror is a world-wide organization, and

Whereas, HDNA is drifting from the World Habonim community, and

Whereas, a unified world Habonim is stronger and would achieve greater results in its contributions to Israel and Tikkun Olam

Therefore we propose strengthening HDNA's connection with World Habonim through the following actions:

- 1) More education on World Habonim activities in machaneh and ken environments
- 2) Move peulot with international Habonim members, especially on MBI and Workshop.
- 3) Investigation into a World Habonim listserve *or message-board* (Jake Passel) and web page to promote communication between World Habonim members.

*Notes: There was concern over whether or not this is what we need to focus on right now but overall a positive idea.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
71	9	4

### **Proposal passes**

#### **A Pig by Any Other Name Would Smell So Bad**

Zack G

Whereas, Habonim Dror is a Jewish Youth Movement promoting pluralistic religious expression  
Whereas, elements of Jewish dietary law include the prohibition of eating milk with meat.  
Whereas, much of the cheese purchased at Habonim Dror functions contains rennet, a pork product, and much of the candy contains gelatin.

~~Be it resolved that rennet and gelatin containing food not be purchased for consumption at HDNA activities.~~

*Be it resolved that machanot investigate the financial differences of buying food that contains animal-based rennet and gelatin, and*

*Be it resolved that if found to be financially feasible and available that food containing animal-based rennet and gelatin not be purchased whenever possible (Shawn Guttman).*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
66	9	9

### **Proposal passes**

#### **Pre Veida procedure (Part One)**

Sharona Mallach and Ezra Brooks

Whereas, veida is an integral part of HDNA

Whereas, many important movement decisions are made at veida

Whereas, a percentage of participants attend veida without necessary knowledge of veida procedure and/or relevant topics

Therefore let it be resolved that:

1. Details of veida procedure and information on relevant topics be sent to veida participants by email upon receipt of veida registration by the central office.
2. Discussion of important movement issues be opened by the movement listserve prior to veida by the Mazkirut Artzit.

*Notes: motion to divide between the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> clauses.*

### **Motion acclaimed**

#### **Pre Veida Procedure (Part Two)**

Sharona Mallach and Ezra Brooks

Whereas, veida is an integral part of HDNA

Whereas, many important movement decisions are made at veida

Whereas, a percentage of participants attend veida without necessary knowledge of veida procedure and/or relevant topics

Be it resolved that

- 1) Proposals be submitted to the Mazkirut Artzit no later than ~~thirty six hours~~ ~~twenty four hours~~ ~~(Jackie Silberman)~~ *sixteen hours* (Dov Goldman) prior to the opening ceremonies of veida
- 2) Proposals will be posted in a central location ~~twenty four hours~~ ~~twelve hours~~ ~~(Hollis Architzel)~~ *as soon as possible after being submitted to the mazkirut* (Dan Friedman) but still prior to the opening ceremonies of veida.

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
34	20	18

**Proposal passes**

**Bizbuz Business**

Billie Moss, Dana Brookman, Mike Pinsky, and Sharon Itkoff

Whereas, paper towels and paper napkins contribute to the depletion of valuable resources (i.e., forests).

Whereas, one of the pillars of HDNA is Social Justice, and tress allow people to breathe.

Whereas, chanichim and madrichim over use supplies causing an excess amount of bizbuz and a demand for more forest depletion.

Whereas, chanichim and madrichim have pants and sleeves.

Therefore be it resolved that all Habonim Dror events and programs, including machaneh, *actively* (Danna Goodman) minimize the use of paper towels and paper napkins where health regulations permit.

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
65	10	4

**Proposal passes**

**Cough, Cough; Fail**

Ruth Stevens and Danny Fisher

Whereas, in a resounding and detrimental failure proposal V-4, ‘Yakity Yak, Let’s Cut Back’, of Veida X has never been implemented and this undermines the integrity of veida resolutions, and Whereas we deem it nearly impossible to entirely prevent smoking on MBI and wish to minimize its negative effects on the program.

Therefore be it resolved that the proposal V-4 of Veida X be amended so as to allow designated times and places for smoking, and that smoking at other times and places, *and smoking while wearing a chultzah* (Matan Shachar) be not only forbidden but carry the threat of severe punishment.

*Notes: It was felt that the proposal from the previous veida prohibiting smoking on MBI is used as an example to undermine Veida’s integrity, in actuality this proposal was meant to find a viable solution to a real problem.*

<i>For</i>	<i>Against</i>	<i>Abstain</i>
24	35	17

**Proposal fails**

**Tabled Proposals From Veida X (Yoshevet Rosh: Jessie Weber)**

**Proposal V-One: Butt Out of “How to make yourself unpopular in the movement.”**

Tuval Dinner [tabled from Veida X]

Whereas smoking is an entirely destructive behavior that has no positive components and the very real potential to physically limit, if not eliminate, the contribution that an individual can make to our Habonim Dror, and recognizing the effect of peer pressure and role model pressure in influencing the decision of children to begin smoking;

Whereas Habonim Dror rejects capitalist ideology in general and corporate philosophy in particular;

Whereas smoking financially supports some of the most significant and influential members of the corporate community;

Whereas these particular corporations have been repeatedly shown to be among the most immoral, unethical entities in existence directly attack the essence of our movement's ideology;

Whereas smoking has been, and may continue to be, harmful to the working and living relationship throughout the movement;

Whereas Habonim Dror is very often a highly influential and defining force in many young people's lives;

Whereas it is of utmost importance that these influences are of a positive and constructive nature;

Whereas smoking provides a negative example that directly contradicts our value of dugma ishit;

Therefore be it resolved that smoking be disallowed at all Habonim Dror functions where chanichim are present.

Be it further resolved that consequences shall be determined on a case by case basis by the Mazkirut in charge of the function, not to exceed current punishments on drug and alcohol use until such tie that the movement can suggest a proper consequence.

*Notes: A once radical idea now seems closer to realization.*

**Motion Tabled**