

# **Annual Conference 2018**

## **Motions**

### **Motion 1 - Operational Budget 2018**

Conference endorses the decision of the National Board to approve the organisational budget for 2018 as presented to conference.

Proposed by: James Kelly  
Seconded by: David White

*\*The budget will be included in the Annual Conference 2018 Papers, which will be available to all delegates upon arrival.*

### **Motion 2 – Headline Operational Budget 2019**

Conference approves the high level outline budget for 2019, and mandates the National Board to finalise and approve an operational budget for 2019 in line with this overall budgetary framework.

Proposed by: James Kelly  
Seconded by: David White

### **Motion 3 - Amnesty International Ireland Operational Plan 2018 to 2019**

Recognising the Global Strategic Goals adopted at the 2017 International Council Meeting as the basis of our operational planning process; and the new Amnesty International Global priorities on reclaiming freedoms, securing equal rights for all, responding to crises, ensuring accountability and maximising our resources and engagement, Conference approves the Operational Plan for the period 2018 to 2019.

Proposed by: Cliona O'Farrelly  
Seconded by: Shane Darcy

### **Motion 4 - Prisoners of Conscience and Mass Trials in Egypt**

Conference mandates: The National Board to engage with the International Secretariat to assess if case files can be established in cases of those men co-accused in the mass trial to which Ibrahim Halawa was subjected.

Proposed by: Trish Robinson  
Seconded by: Dorene Grocock

## **Constitutional Amendments**

### **Constitutional Amendment 1**

#### Current:

Article 13, paragraph 12

The youth secretary shall be responsible for all youth-related activities of the section and shall be the National Board's liaison officer with any youth structures and networks which may from time to time be established by the section. The youth secretary is also responsible for the youth policy of the section, subject to approval by the National Board

#### Proposed:

Article 13, paragraph 12

The youth secretary shall be the National Board's liaison officer with any youth structures and networks which may from time to time be established by the section. The Youth Secretary shall advise the National Board on the youth policy of the section.

#### Rationale for change:

The current wording of article 13, paragraph 12, sets out the role and responsibilities of the youth secretary in a manner which suggests that the youth secretary has operational responsibility for the youth policy and strategy of the section. The current wording also suggests that the youth secretary alone, and not the National board as a collective body, is responsible for youth related issues and policy.

This amendment addresses both of these issues and makes clear that the role is a governance role, and that the youth secretary is responsible for representing the National Board in any engagements with youth members and youth and student networks. The youth secretary advises the National Board on youth policy, but as per article 13, paragraph 5, the National Board as a collective body has responsibility for the governance of the section between Annual Conferences and EGMs.

This includes the development and implementation of an effective youth policy.

Proposed by: Sadhbh Sheeran

Seconded by: David White

### **Constitutional Amendment 2**

Insertion of the following new subsection to the All Constitution:

Article 13: The National Board 4

(d): Vacancies filled by co-option are not subject to the candidate being in continuous membership of the Section for at least six months prior to co-option.

#### Rationale for Change:

To facilitate the National Board in addressing specific skill gaps which arise between Annual Conferences in a timely manner.

Proposed by: David White

Seconded by: Bríd Cannon