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REPORT

INTERCOLLEGIATE ZIONIST CONFERENCE

December 22 - 25, 1945
Chicago, Illinois

PRELIMINARIES TO CONFERENCE

1. Youth Commission Memorandum of August 31, 1944, regarding relationships with the reorganized Avukah. Paragraph #7 of this memorandum outlines the plan for calling an Intercollegiate Conference: "...practical steps are to be taken by the American Zionist Youth Commission and by Avukah, severally and jointly, and in both cases, after full consultation with each other...to consolidate in the greatest possible degree all campus Zionist groups, regardless of whether they are now functioning within or independently of Avukah, within a single Intercollegiate Zionist Student Federation..."
2. At Brandeis Camp Institute, during the 1945 season, 98 students from 60 colleges and universities were told about the plans for an Intercollegiate Zionist Conference and expressed enthusiasm for the Federation to be created at that time.
3. Miss Shirley Pincus, AmZYO Campus Field Secretary, visited the Avukah Summer Camp in Painsville, Ohio the end of August, 1945, where she discussed plans for the Conference with Avukah leaders.
4. A letter was sent out to 85 Brandeis Camp graduates attending a college or university, informing them of the approaching Conference and requesting information about Zionist activities at their schools -- September 28, 1945.
5. Early in October, the Conference having been set for Chicago on December 22nd, the Chicago Youth Commission was informed of the plans and asked to assist with housing arrangements, etc.
6. Rabbi Theodore Gordon, as coordinator of the Brandeis Zionist Societies in Hillel, conducted a survey for the AmZYO concerning Zionist activities in every Hillel Foundation and Council in the country. His letter to Hillel directors and accompanying data sheet was sent out October 19, 1945. By November 15, 100% had responded.
7. Miss Shirley Pincus visited schools in New England, New York City and Philadelphia during October and November, organizing and speaking to groups about their participation in the Conference.
8. A Manual for Campus Zionist Activity, including a paragraph on the Intercollegiate Conference, prepared by Miss Shirley Pincus, was sent out November 1, 1945 to Youth Commission chairmen, Hillel directors, BCI campus students, and Avukah.

9. Letters were sent to the 33 Youth Commission chairmen in cities where colleges or universities were located, informing them of the Conference and urging their support in enabling delegates to come from their schools -- November 12, 1945.
10. From September to December, 1945, the campus committee of the AmZYC, Miss Hannah Goldberg, Chairman, met regularly with Avukah representatives in New York to plan the Conference in detail.
11. On November 15, 1945, a meeting was held of New York students and YC representatives for the purpose of clarifying Hillel's position in the Intercollegiate Conference with specific reference to the New York schools.
12. On November 22, 1945, the official invitation and Conference registration blanks were sent out to 63 schools. This communication from the Youth Commission was followed a week later by a letter from Avukah, stating its position regarding the Conference, and urging cooperation.
13. An invitation was sent to the 8 Zionist youth organizations, requesting them to send an observer to the Conference -- November 28, 1945.
14. As the delegates' names were turned in, each delegate received a letter of instructions and a tentative program for the Conference. The AmZYC paid the round-trip coach fare for one delegate from every school represented at the Conference.
15. Two weeks before the Conference, the AmZYC invited New York delegates to meet and discuss the various aspects of organizing the Intercollegiate Zionist Federation among themselves and with Miss Hannah Goldberg, chairman of the campus committee.

REPRESENTATION AT CONFERENCE

168	Registered Delegates
65	Colleges and universities
21	States
40	Observers

(A breakdown on schools and number of delegates from each school will be appended.)

OUTLINE OF CONFERENCE

Friday, December 21

Delegates began to arrive. Informal welcome at Hillel Foundation Friday evening with University of Chicago students acting as hosts and hostesses.

Saturday, December 22

Registration of delegates, at which time they stated their committee preference.

Opening of Conference at 9:00 p.m.

Miss Shirley Pincus opened the Conference with "The Star-Spangled Banner" and "Hatikva". She then introduced Mr. Sol Epstein of the Chicago Youth Commission who extended an official welcome to the delegates; Miss Pearl Franklin, observer from National Hadassah; Dr. David Tannenbaum, member of the Campus Committee of the AmZYC; and Mr. Herman Weisman, Chairman of the American Zionist Youth Commission. Mr. Weisman addressed the Conference.

Mr. Weisman began by pointing out to the delegates the great opportunity to serve their people now. He stated the purpose of the Conference, sketching the history of Avukah and the events leading up to the calling of the Conference by the Youth Commission. "We hope," he said, "that from (this) will emerge an intercollegiate Zionist federation that will be recognized throughout the country as having the right to speak for American Jewish youth of undergraduate age."

He concluded with a discussion on the official Zionist affiliation of the campus organization to be created by the delegates, urging them to affiliate with Hadassah and the Z.O.A. through their joint youth agency, the AmZYC. He defined General Zionism, pointing out that these ranks were most "conducive to the healthy growth and flourishing of a courageous Zionism" for campus students. In recommending AmZYC affiliation, Mr. Weisman said, "Our real intent is to guide, to render service, to strengthen, to act as liaison between the college Zionist youth movement and the adult Jewish community, in a decade which holds the very greatest promise for Zionist achievement on the American campus."

At the end of his address, Mr. Weisman announced the Praesidium for the Conference which had been chosen by the campus committee on a geographical basis:

Sumner Alpert	Cleveland
Molly Shapiro	Ohio State University
Abba Salzman	University of Chicago
Gerald Littman	Los Angeles City College
Betty Fleishman	University of Kentucky
Paulina Shawmut	Clark University
Joseph Tabachnik	Columbia University

After a brief debate on the floor, the Praesidium was accepted as read and delegated as the Committee on Committees.

The session was then turned over to the first member of the Praesidium to preside, Mr. Abba Salzman. He introduced Mr. Sumner Alpert who read the first of the three papers which had been prepared in advance as the guiding themes for the Conference. Mr. Alpert's paper was titled "Structure and Organization of the Federation."

At the conclusion of this reading, mimeographed copies of Mr. Alpert's paper were distributed to all the delegates.

An open house given by the Chicago Youth Commission in honor of the delegates was held at the Hillel Foundation. At this time the Praesidium met with Mr. Weisman, Dr. Tannenbaum, and Miss Lillian Schwartz, field secretary for the AmZYC. They appointed delegates to committees on the basis of their preference indicated at the time of registration. They also determined which of them would chair each of the Conference sessions.

The five committees for the Conference, as determined previously by the campus committee were:

Structure and Organization
Relations with Organized Zionists
Campus Program and Activities
Credentials
Nominations

The praesidium adjourned after midnight.

Sunday, December 23

In the morning, the second and third papers were read and copies distributed. Miss Judith Tannenbaum, student at Hunter College, read her paper on "Relations of the Federation to Organized Zionists", and Miss Yola Shapiro of Cleveland presented "Campus Program and Activities". Following the reading of these papers, the chairman of the session, Gerald Littman, called for discussion.

The remainder of the morning and the entire afternoon were devoted to a discussion on the three guiding themes for the Conference as presented in the three papers. Chairman of the afternoon plenary session was Betty Fleishman.

7:00 p.m. Dinner for delegates and guests

Rabbi Theodore Gordon, Hillel director at the University of Wisconsin, gave the invocation. Molly Shapiro, member of the Praesidium, acted as master of ceremonies. She introduced all the guests at the head table, and called upon Mrs. Bertha Read Rissman, President of Chicago Hadassah, and Mr. Milton Silberman, President of the Chicago Zionist Organization, for greetings.

Cantor Moses Silverman of the Anshe Emet Synagogue in Chicago presented musical selections.

The principle speaker for the evening was Dr. Samuel Blumenfield, Dean, College of Jewish Studies. He gave a stirring address on the Jewish problem confronting students today, and the Zionist solution.

Among the guests seated at the speakers' table were Dr. David Tannenbaum; Miss Pearl Franklin; Rabbi Maurice Pekarsky, Hillel Director at the University of Chicago; Mrs. Nell Pekarsky and Mrs. Harry Berkman, members of the Chicago Youth Commission; and Mr. Albert Elazar, member of the Chicago Youth Commission and educational director of the Anshe Emet Synagogue in Chicago.

Later in the evening, Avukah invited the non-affiliated delegates to the Conference to participate with them in an open discussion of some of the issues facing the creation of the Federation. Mr. Summer Alpert presided.

Monday, December 23

All of the committees (with the exception of Nominations) met in the morning, elected their own chairmen, and proceeded to debate and discuss the nature of the reports they were to make at the plenary sessions to follow.

The credentials Committee met with Miss Shirley Pincus and elected Alice Arvey, U. of Chicago, as chairman. They compiled a complete report of delegates in attendance and the schools they represented, number of proxies, etc.

The committee on Structure and Organization met with Miss Lillian Schwartz and Rabbi Theodore Gordon present. They elected Jay Fried, Columbia University, as chairman. Two constitutions were presented for discussion; the Avukah Constitution, by Summer Alpert; and a new constitution prepared by unaffiliated delegates, and presented by Arnold Fox, U. of Iowa. The committee discussed the two constitutions, side by side, in detail, and finally worked out a compilation of the two which they prepared to present to the entire Conference.

The committee on Relations met and elected Samuel Ehrenholt, Brooklyn College, chairman. Dr. David Tannenbaum was present during their discussion. On the matter of affiliation with senior Zionist bodies, there was much disagreement. A sub-committee, representing the majority opinion was elected to draw up a body of resolutions. They met with committee members who had opposed the majority viewpoint in order to reconcile their demands and present a report which the entire committee could support. Their report was finally adopted unanimously in Committee.

The committee on Program and Activities elected Eliezer Krumbein, Harvard University, as chairman. They divided into sub-committees, discussing the general outlines of a Zionist program on campus, publications of the new Federation, a summer camp, field work, program material for chapters, educational work, etc. The work of the individual sub-committees was supervised and integrated into one report by the chairman.

Evening: The Committee on Structure and Organization presented its constitution in plenary session. Joseph Tabachnik presided at this session and introduced Jay Fried who read the newly drafted constitution. Each article was debated in turn, some adjustments were made, and the Conference passed about one-half of the Constitution by midnight.

Article I, the name, was adopted after long and heated debate: Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America.

Tuesday, December 24

Paulina Shawmut presided at the plenary session in which the remainder of the constitution was discussed, adjusted and passed. Final ratification of the constitution as a whole was postponed until after the report of the committee on Relations. Article VI was omitted from the Constitution, pending this report.

(The Constitution is appended)

The plenary session was adjourned for an hour while the Committee on Nominations met. They elected Al Brezner, U. of California, as chairman. Miss Lillian Schwartz was present during their meeting. The recommendations of the Committee were as follows:

President	Sumner Alpert, Cleveland
Vice-President	Eliezer Krumbein, Harvard
Secretary	Betty Fleishman, U. of Kentucky
Treasurer	Samuel Abbell, U. of Chicago
Executive:	Al Brezner, U. of California
	Sam Ehrenholt, Brooklyn College
	Maxine Mann, U. of Chicago
	Tikvah Melamed, Western Reserve U.
	Paulina Shawmut, Clark U.
	Judith Tannenbaum, Hunter College
	Ali Yarden, U.C.L.A.

At the afternoon plenary session, Sumner Alpert presided. Eliezer Krumbein was called on first for his committee report. It was decided, after he had read it, to refer the report to the new executive and proceed with the next committee report immediately. (Digest of report will be appended). Judith Tannenbaum then presented the resolutions of the Committee on Relations. Following is the essence of these resolutions:

1. The Federation will accept the discipline of the W.Z.O., the shekel to be paid through any party selected by the individual members.
2. Considering the AmZYC as a sponsor, the executive of the new Federation will immediately start to negotiate for co-sponsors among the senior Zionist organizations.
3. The Federation will have complete autonomy. Sponsors supply morale, personnel and financial aid, but the Federation has ultimate and sole control.
4. The Federation will have liaison with the senior Zionist bodies through an Advisory Council, which will consist of representatives of the political parties sponsoring the Federation, representatives of Zionist youth groups and technical authorities.

(Full copy of the resolutions will be appended)

In the early evening, the portion of the resolutions relating to affiliation, presented by Miss Judith Tannenbaum, were passed on by the Conference. The vote was 138 in favor of these resolutions; 29½ opposed.

The session was adjourned for a buffet supper, served at the Hillel Foundation by the Chicago Zionist Youth Commission.

When the plenary session was reconvened, Sumner Alpert, still presiding, called upon Judith Tannenbaum to finish reading her report (that portion which is covered in points #3 and #4 condensed above); it was debated and passed.

The Constitution was then ratified by a vote of 131 in favor; 12½ opposed.

Miss Lillian Schwartz, at the request of the Praesidium, was called upon to chair the session on elections. Mr. Al Brezner presented the report of the Committee on Nominations. The nominees were asked to accept their nominations, as they were presented by the committee and made from the floor. A large number were unable to accept their nominations.

Following is the list of the newly elected officers of the Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America:

President	Sumner Alpert, Cleveland
Vice-President	Judith Tannenbaum, Hunter
Secretary	Betty Fleishman, U. of Kentucky
Treasurer	Samuel Abbell, U. of Chicago
Executive:	Al Brezner, U. of Cal.
	Arnold Sullum, U. of Penn.
	Sam Ehrenholt, Brooklyn College
	Sol Gordon, U. of Wisconsin
	Ray Sussman, U. of Illinois
	Ali Yarden, U.C.L.A.
	Eliezer Krumbein, Harvard

The Conference was finally adjourned at 3:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 26, 1945.

Respectfully submitted,

Shirley Pincus

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Campus Field Secretary
American Zionist Youth Commission

SCHOOLS REPRESENTED AT INTERCOLLEGIATE CONFERENCE
DECEMBER 22-25, 1945

<u>School</u>	<u>No. of Delegates</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>No. of Delegates</u>
<u>ALABAMA</u>		<u>MINNESOTA</u>	
U. of Alabama	1	U. of Minn.	7
<u>CALIFORNIA</u>		<u>MISSOURI</u>	
Los Angeles City College		U. of Missouri	1
U. of California, L.A.	4		
U. of S. California		<u>NEW JERSEY</u>	
U. of California	1	Rutgers	4
<u>CONNECTICUT</u>		<u>NEW YORK</u>	
U. of Connecticut	4	Brooklyn College	5
<u>DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA</u>		CCNY Uptown Day & Evening	6
George Washington U.	1	Hunter College	5
<u>ILLINOIS</u>		Queens College	4
Chicago Metropolitan	8	Jewish Inst. of Religion	2
Herzl Jr. College	2	Jewish Theol. Seminary	3
Northwestern U.	6	Columbia U.	2
U. of Chicago	11	Cornell U.	1
U. of Illinois	5	Rochester U.	1
Wright Jr. College	1	Syracuse U.	2
U. of Chicago-Habonim	6	Buffalo U.	1
		CCNY Downtown Day & Evening	11
<u>INDIANA</u>		Seminary School of J.S.	1
U. of Indiana	2	<u>OHIO</u>	
<u>IOWA</u>		Ohio State U.	6
U. of Iowa	1	Ohio U.	1
<u>KENTUCKY</u>		Western Reserve U.	12
U. of Kentucky	2	<u>OKLAHOMA</u>	
<u>LOUISIANA</u>		U. of Oklahoma	1
Tulane U.	1	<u>PENNSYLVANIA</u>	
<u>MARYLAND</u>		Penn State	1
U. of Maryland	2	U. of Pa.	2
<u>MASSACHUSETTS</u>		Pitt Chapter	3
Boston U.	1	Temple	1
Clark U & Worcester Tech.	3	<u>TEXAS</u>	
Harvard & Radcliffe	2	U. of Texas	1
Northeastern U.	4	<u>WASHINGTON</u>	
Salem Teachers College	1	U. of Washington	1
Simmons College	1	<u>WISCONSIN</u>	
<u>MICHIGAN</u>		Milwaukee Schools	2
U. of Michigan	4	U. of Wisconsin	3
Wayne U.	4	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>168</u>

CONSTITUTION OF THE INTERCOLLEGIATE ZIONIST FEDERATION OF AMERICA

PREAMBLE

We, American student Zionists, having felt the necessity of a permanent organization through which we may further the cause of Zionism among the American Jewish academic youth, have, therefore, organized ourselves and agree to be governed by the following Constitution.

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of this organization shall be Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America.

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

1. To organize and integrate all student Zionists of America within this Federation; to advance, present, and interpret the facts about and the significance of Zionism and modern Palestine for the information, education, and benefit of the students and faculties of American colleges and universities.
2. To enroll as many Jewish students as possible within the chapters of our federation.
3. In general, to promote the cause of Zionism in every reasonable and practical way within the competence and resourcefulness of our membership.
4. To facilitate participation of our members in maximal Zionism and to encourage affiliation with adult Zionist organizations when they leave the jurisdiction of our organization.

ARTICLE III

PRINCIPLES

1. The basic principles of this organization shall be the Basle program and the decisions of the World Zionist Congress. These shall be binding on all members.
2. The guiding policies of the Federation shall be those defined annually by majority decision of the National Convention.

ARTICLE IV

MEMBERSHIP

1. Eligibility: All students as herein defined, accepting the principles stated in Article III and in the Preamble hereof, are eligible for membership in this Federation.
2. Definition: A student is eligible for membership and all rights and privileges thereof if such a student is:
 - a. Matriculated as an undergraduate student of a recognized college or university in America.
 - b. Has completed undergraduate work and is pursuing graduate studies for a period of not more than two years after receiving a Bachelor's degree.
3. Disqualifications: A member who ceases to be a student as herein defined forthwith forfeits his right to membership in and officership of the Federation or any chapter thereof. Also, any student pursuing academic studies on a part-time basis leading to a Bachelor's degree for more than a total of six years will be disqualified.
4. Dues shall be fixed by the Annual Convention.

ARTICLE V

CHAPTERS

1. Ten or more students, as herein defined, on the campus of any recognized college or university in America, applying for membership in this Federation, may constitute themselves a chapter federated on an equal basis with all other chapters of this Federation.
2. Each chapter shall be chartered by the Federation pursuant to the terms designated by any convention, provided same are in no way inconsistent with the provisions hereof.
3. In any specific geographical section where a sufficient number of chapters exist to correlate their activities, the Convention or Central Executive Committee may authorize the organization of a Region.
 - a. The Region must operate under a written Constitution. Such Constitution and amendments thereto must be approved by the Convention or the Central Executive Committee.
 - b. The Region shall be empowered to carry on activities where such activity is not contrary to the Constitution or resolutions of the national organization.
4. There shall be not more than one chapter on each campus except where otherwise authorized by the Central Executive Committee.

5. Each chapter shall be an autonomous Zionist body, functioning under this Constitution.

ARTICLE VI

(To be included later in this constitution. See resolutions on "Relations" appended)

ARTICLE VII

SELF-GOVERNMENT

1. Annual Convention

a. The supreme legislative power of the Federation, subject to the discipline of Article III, Section 1, shall be vested only in the membership and the National Convention.

b. Only chartered chapters shall be entitled to send delegates to the Convention on the basis of one delegate for every ten members or major fraction thereof; vote by proxy shall be permitted where at least one duly elected delegate from the chapter is present in person. Each delegate shall be limited to ten proxies.

c. The Convention shall take place at a time and place fixed by the preceding convention or in lieu thereof by the Central Executive Committee at least thirty-five days in advance thereof.

d. Delegates of two-thirds of all the chapters shall constitute a quorum for the convocation of a national Convention of the Federation.

e. A special convention may be called on the invitation of the Central Executive Committee by a two-thirds vote thereof; or at the request of the presidents of one-half of all the chapters.

f. Referendum: A referendum may be initiated at any time by a majority of the Central Executive Committee, or by one-third of the chapters, each chapter deciding what constitutes a representative opinion within the chapter, or by a petition signed by one-tenth of the members. When a referendum has been initiated, the Secretary shall be responsible for making its text and arguments pro and con available to all membership within twenty-one days. A referendum shall be declared carried when approved by a majority in a vote to which at least one-half of the membership have replied within thirty days after submission of the referendum to the membership.

2. Officers

a. The officers of the Federation shall be

(1) President, Executive Vice-President, Secretary, and Treasurer, to be elected by a majority vote of the body creating this Federation and thereafter by a majority of the votes of all the delegates at the annual Convention.

(2) Presidents of respective regions will be designated as vice-presidents of the national Federation and will be elected by their respective regions.

b. The officers shall serve concurrently as officers of the Central Executive Committee; they shall carry out the duties prescribed by the Constitution, the Convention, and the Central Executive Committee, and all duties as defined in Roberts Rules of Order, incident to their respective offices. They shall serve until the next national Convention.

3. Central Executive Committee

a. Powers and duties

(1) The Central Executive Committee shall possess all administrative powers and duties when the Convention is not in session. It shall be bound by all resolutions of the latest Convention and by all referenda. A referendum of later date shall supercede any of these. The Central Executive Committee may not:

(a) Dissolve the organization

(b) Merge the organization into another group

(c) Dissolve the affiliation of the organization or its members with the World Zionist Organization.

(d) Make any opinions binding on the members except the Basle Program and decisions of the World Zionist Congress.

(2) It shall confer at least once a month, either in meeting or by correspondence. Written agendas must be sent to all members of the Central Executive Committee at least a week in advance of the meeting. A quorum of the Central Executive Committee shall consist of three-fourths of its membership in attendance, either physically or through representation through the mails.

(3) The secretary shall issue a report on the state of the organization and work done to date to each annual convention. These reports are to be made available to all members. The secretary shall also make available to all members at least quarterly reports of each meeting held and action taken by the CEC.

b. Personnel

(1) The Central Executive Committee shall consist of:

(a) The officers of the Federation.

(b) Seven members elected by the National Convention.

(c) Additional members to be selected by the regions according to the following schedule: for the first 300 members, one; for each additional 200, one other member.

(2) A member of the CEC who does not reply to three successive agendas shall be dropped from the CEC.

ARTICLE VIII

DISCIPLINE

1. Any individual member or chapter acting in contravention of this constitution or any directive issued by the CEC in conformity with the constitution shall be subject to disciplinary action by the next convention, providing reasonable notice and an opportunity to be heard are given to the chapter or individual members accused of such action.
2. The individual chapters shall be required to submit quarterly to the national office reports on the status and activity of the chapter. Consistent failure to comply with this clause may result in the suspension of the chapter's charter by the CEC until the next national convention.
3. Disciplinary action to be taken by a majority vote shall consist of
 - a. Censure
 - b. Suspension
 - c. Expulsion with full authority to publicize the reasons for and the nature of the violation of the disciplinary action taken.

ARTICLE IX

AMENDMENTS

1. This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Convention.
2. An amendment may be initiated in the same manner as a referendum.
 - a. When an amendment has been initiated the secretary shall be responsible for making its text and arguments pro and con available to all members within 21 days and shall immediately reply to any questions put to him by any member or chapter.
 - b. An amendment shall be declared carried when approved by a vote of the majority of the total membership received within 30 days of its circulation.
 - c. Unless a statement to the contrary is made in the amendment, it shall go into effect upon adoption.
 - d. Under no circumstances shall a referendum which is not publicized as a constitutional amendment be continued as amending the constitution.

ARTICLE X

RATIFICATION

This constitution shall be ratified upon its adoption by a vote of sixty per cent of the delegates entitled to vote at any one of the plenary sessions of the Intercollegiate Zionist Conference held in Chicago December 22 to 25, 1945.

RESOLUTIONS OF THE INTERCOLLEGIATE ZIONIST FEDERATION
ON RELATIONS TO OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

Resolved that the proposed Federation accept the discipline of the World Zionist Organization and membership in the Federation shall be conditioned upon the payment of the Shekel through any party of the WZO as selected by each member of the Federation.

We consider the American Zionist Youth Commission to be a sponsoring group of our Federation. The incoming Central Executive Committee is instructed to immediately start negotiations with the other senior Zionist groups which are affiliated with the WZO and have indicated an interest in campus Zionist activities with a view toward including them as co-sponsors of our Federation.

1. Sponsoring organizations may specifically state co-sponsorship of the Federation on their literature, and stationery.
2. The obligations of the sponsoring bodies shall be to supply morale, personnel, and financial aid.
3. Finances shall be under the sole control of the Federation but financial reports shall be made periodically to the sponsoring groups.
4. The hiring of personnel shall be done by the Federation in consultation with the Advisory council, but the final decision shall rest with the Federation.
5. Members of the Federation shall specify to which party of the WZO their Shekel is directed. Members who do not specify will have their Shekel paid to the ZOA.
6. No organization may claim the Federation as its affiliate or claim the membership of the Federation as part of its membership.

While the Federation will be autonomous, there must be provisions for some sort of a liaison between the Federation and other Zionist groups. This liaison will take the form of an Advisory Council. The functions of this Advisory Council must be of a purely advisory nature and will carry no compulsion. Its basic duty will be to advise the Federation and make suggestions on matters of program, publications, or any other matter on which the Federation chooses to seek advice. The Council will also be qualified to offer technical advice and assistance on programming and general manner of approach on the campus. It will be kept informed of the activities of the Federation at all times. It will receive minutes of Executive Committee meetings and copies of all publications. If any question involving fundamental Zionist discipline should arise within the Federation, the Council is in a position to advise the Federation. If the Advisory Council feels at any time that the Federation is not pursuing a program that conforms to fundamental Zionist discipline as defined by the WZO or the American Zionist Emergency Council, it will be in a position to advise the Federation of that fact. If any disagreement over fundamental Zionist discipline should arise between the Federation and the Council, the WZO or the AZEC will be the deciding body.

The Advisory Council will include representatives of the political parties which are sponsors of the Federation and have thereby indicated an interest in campus Zionist activities, representatives of Zionist youth groups having a minimum of 75 members on the campus, plus a group of technical authorities which must include a member of Hechalutz. The technical authorities shall have no vote on matters concerning political discipline.

The American Zionist Youth Commission, acting as the agent of Hadassah and the ZCA, shall be represented on the Advisory Council by 2 representatives. All other sponsors shall have one.

We recognize the mutual benefits to the Federation and to Hillel of the close cooperation between the two organizations.

Each chapter shall be urged to seek independent university recognition unless such action is inadvisable and/or precluded by university regulations.

Having secured the basic guarantee that each chapter will have the right to carry on its educational and political activities, the chapters of the Federation are urged to enter into as close a program of cooperation with Hillel as is possible on their individual campuses.

Resolved that the CEC be instructed to establish contact with the World Union of Jewish Students with a view toward establishing a liaison with them.



DIGEST OF

Report of Committee on Campus Program and Activities at the Intercollegiate Zionist Conference December 25, 1945

I. PROSPECTUS

Aspects of dynamic student Zionism:

- a. Building a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine
- b. Participating in the activities of the American Jewish community
- c. Working toward a progressive society.

To implement this thesis is our objective.

II. METHODS OF IMPLEMENTATION ON THE CAMPUS

A. Professional staff

1. National director
2. Field workers in regions
3. Supplemental professional workers
4. Shaliach from Palestine

B. Sociological survey of the attitudes and interests of Jewish youth on campus

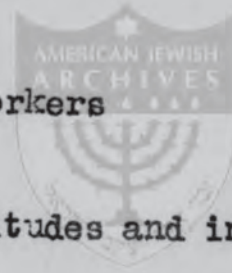
C. Publications and Education

1. Permanent manual
2. Supplementary manuals - program aids, etc.
3. Student magazine
4. Internal bulletin
5. Study guides

D. Palestine projects

E. Political action

F. Summer Camps and educational institute of short duration.



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September 18, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, President
Zionist Organization of America
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Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

I feel that you will be interested in knowing that, at our recent IZFA Summer School Camp held at Antioch, Illinois, a chalutz group of IZFA members was formed. The members of this group, which has been named "Haoleh", have affiliated with Hechalutz, with the hope of devoting their professional training and experience to the up-building of Palestine through their personal participation.

The fact that this group has been formed now is due in a large measure to the inspiring call for chalutzim which you delivered to our delegates at our first annual convention held in Cleveland in June.

Because of your interest in the nature of this group, a word of encouragement from you at this time would contribute greatly to the spirit and enthusiasm of this newest member of the American chalutz family.

With Zionist greetings,

Sumner Alpert
Sumner Alpert
National President

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September 19, 1946

Mr. Sumner Alpert, National President
Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America
215 Heather Building
10111 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland 6, Ohio

My dear Mr. Alpert:

Thank you for your kind letter of September 18.

I was very happy to learn that the Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America has voted to form a Chalutz group to be known as "Haoleh". This indeed is splendid news and I wish the group all success. I shall be very much interested in following the progress of this newest addition to the Chalutz Movement in America.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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INTERCOLLEGIATE ZIONIST FEDERATION OF AMERICA

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215 HEATHER BUILDING
10111 EUCLID AVENUE
CLEVELAND 6, OHIO

TELEPHONE: CEDAR 4759

October 2, 1946

Dr. Abba Hillel Silver, President
Zionist Organization of America
The Temple
Ansel Rd. and E. 105 St.
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

I wonder if it would be possible for me to make an appointment to meet with you. I should like to use the time to report to you, as President of the Zionist Organization of America, on the activities of the Intercollegiate Zionist Federation since its formation last December. I am sorry that I have not been able to make this report to you, earlier.

I am sure you will be interested in hearing of the growth and development of the "campus arm of the Zionist movement", and any suggestions which you may have for IZFA'S program, further growth, and expansion will be very much appreciated.

Since I am employed at the National Advisory Committee for Aeronautics, an appointment on the weekend would be preferable.

With Zionist greetings,

Sumner Alpert

Sumner Alpert
National President

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Nov 11, 1946

Mr. Sumner Alpert, National President
Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America
215 Heather Building
10111 Euclid Avenue
Cleveland 6, Ohio

My dear Mr. Alpert:

Please pardon the delay in replying to your kind letter. I have been away from the city most of the time.

I shall be very pleased to see you and to hear more about the work of the Intercollegiate Zionist Federation. Please get in touch with me over the weekend and I shall arrange an appointment.

With all good wishes, I remain

Most cordially yours,

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APPENDIX
INTERCOLLEGIATE ZIONIST FEDERATION OF AMERICA
BALANCE SHEET SEPTEMBER 30, 1946

<u>Current:</u>	<u>ASSETS</u>		
Cash in Bank		\$1,210.88	
Petty Cash		25.00	
Accounts Receivable		16.65	
Total Current Assets			\$1,251.53
<u>Fixed:</u>			
Office Furniture and Equipment			98.20
<u>TOTAL ASSETS</u>			<u>\$1,349.73</u>

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

<u>Current Liabilities:</u>			
Employees' Income Tax Withheld	\$ 170.76		
Shekels Payable	66.25		
Total Liabilities			\$ 237.01
<u>Capital:</u>			
Transfer of Funds from Avukah	1,349.07		
Net (Loss) for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 1946	(236.35)		
Capital, September 30, 1946			1,112.72
<u>TOTAL LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL</u>			<u>\$1,349.73</u>

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE
NINE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 1946

<u>Income:</u>			
Subsidy:			
American Zionist Youth Commission	\$8,000.00		
Poale Zion	200.00		\$8,200.00
Dues			1,070.00
Net Income from Summer School Camp			467.67
Sale of Books			180.01
Miscellaneous			14.78
Total Income			\$9,932.46
<u>Expenses:</u>			
Salaries	4,020.94		
Traveling Expense	1,855.69		
Publications	1,435.08		
Rent	738.70		
Office Supplies	628.38		
Light and Phone	435.07		
Postage	423.52		
Convention	248.63		
Shekels	192.50		
Printing	138.38		
Miscellaneous Expense	51.92		
Total Expenses			10,168.81
Net (Loss) for the Nine Months Ended September 30, 1946			\$ (236.35)

Taken from a Certified Statement
by Urban F. von Rosen, C.P.A.
Cleveland, Ohio

I. Z. F. A. *Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America*

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

c/o HILLEL FOUNDATION
730 HAVEN AVE. - PHONE 26585

2526 Stockwell Hall
Ann Arbor, Michigan

December 1, 1946.

Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver
The Temple
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Rabbi Silver,

One of the most ambitious aims of our organization is to make the students of the University of Michigan, both Jews and Gentiles, Palestine-conscious; and to cause them to give sympathy and support to the Zionist ideals.

Next Spring we are planning a campus-wide event for our cause, in the form of a rally with a distinguished speaker who is concerned with the success of Zionism.

The committee in charge of this rally has asked me to contact you in regard to the possibility of your appearing at this event. We would like to know the conditions under which you would be able to attend.

Thank you very much for your kind consideration of this matter.

Very truly yours,

Florence King

Florence King
Secretary, IZFA Zionist Action
Committee

December 4, 1946

Miss Florence King, Secretary
IZFA Zionist Action Committee
2526 Stockwell Hall
Ann Arbor, Michigan

Dear Miss King:

Permit me to acknowledge your letter of December 1 to Dr. Silver. Dr. Silver is at present in Switzerland attending the World Zionist Congress. I shall be pleased to refer your letter to him when he returns to Cleveland around the first of next year.

With best wishes, I remain

Very sincerely yours,

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Secretary to Dr. Silver

14400 Shaker Blvd.
Shaker Hts. 20
Tcn. 20. 1947

Dear Abbi Silver,

The Western Reserve University chapter of the Intercollegiate Zionist Federation, of which I am president, is very anxious to have a large open meeting on the campus for the entire student body and the academic staff - Jew and Gentile.

I need hardly emphasize the importance of "proselytizing" the non Jewish world in the Zionist program and philosophy, especially at this time. We feel that you could speak most effectively at such a meeting, and get as the largest audience.

The Dean at Rescove, who has been consulted, is very friendly to the idea and promised us aid in obtaining facilities, probably at Severance Hall. As far as the nature of the speech and the date are concerned, they are entirely up to you. I believe that four o'clock in the afternoon is the best time, that Mondays and Wednesdays are the best days, and that any one of those days in March or April, excluding spring vacation, March 28 - April 7 - would be satisfactory.

We shall appreciate your acceptance very much, and could you please let us hear from you as soon as possible, so that adequate arrangements can be made. If possible, please give me several alternative dates.

Sincerely, Nino Sachs

February 21, 1947

Miss Nina Sachs
14400 Shaker Blvd.
Cleveland 20, Ohio

My dear Miss Sachs:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your kind letter of January 20. I have been out of the city most of the time and my correspondence has lagged.

I greatly appreciate your invitation to address a meeting under the auspices of the Intercollegiate Zionist Federation on the campus of Western Reserve University some Monday or Wednesday in March or April. It would give me much pleasure indeed. However, I may have to leave the country in the near future to attend meetings overseas and I cannot commit myself to lecture engagements for the next few months. May I suggest that you get in touch with the office of the ZOA in New York. I am sure they will help you obtain a distinguished speaker for the occasion.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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February 21, 1947

Miss Florence King, Secretary, IZFA Zionist Action Committee
2526 Stockwell Hall
Ann Arbor, Michigan

My dear Miss King:

Please pardon the long delay in answering your letter. I have been out of the country part of the time and extremely busy the rest of the time so that my correspondence has unfortunately lagged.

I greatly appreciate your kind invitation to address a meeting under your auspices on the campus of the University of Michigan next Spring. I wish I were free to come. It would give me much pleasure indeed. However I may have to leave the country in the near future to attend meetings overseas and I cannot commit myself to lecture engagements in the next few months. May I suggest that you get in touch with the office of the Zionist Organization of America, in New York. I am sure they will help you obtain a distinguished speaker for the occasion.

With all good wishes, I remain

Very cordially yours,

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Is this accepted
or declined?

See Aug. 12

3230 Euclid Heights Blvd.
Cleveland Heights 18, Ohio
July 29, 1947

Abba Hillel Silver, Rabbi
The Temple
East 105 Street and Ansel Road
Cleveland, Ohio

Dear Dr. Silver,

On behalf of the Executive Board of the Western Reserve University Chapter, Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America, it pleases me to invite you to address an all-campus gathering during the week of October 18, 1947. Yours is the choice of any day from among Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday. The gathering will take place late in the afternoon or in the early evening.

University officials have often suggested to us that we invite you to speak on campus, and it is the unanimous desire of our organization that you accede to our request.

Our efforts to spread Zionism among the collegiate population have never been more important than they are today. Your participation in this event, the major school program of our year would be of great practical value in attaining our mutual goal in this sphere.

In the light of these considerations I hope that you will deem it possible to respond in the affirmative.

Very respectfully yours,

William B. Goldfarb

William B. Goldfarb, President
Western Reserve University Chapter
Intercollegiate Zionist Federation of America

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