

**XVI SESSION OF THE STANDING COMMISSION
OF THE RED CROSS AND RED CRESCENT**

Meeting SC XVI – 10

**26 March 2015
Woodlands, Houston, USA**

DECISIONS

ADOPTION OF AGENDA OF THE SCXVI-10 MEETING

Decision:

The agenda was adopted as circulated.

MINUTES OF MEETING AND DECISION SHEET FROM MEETING OF 17 NOVEMBER

Decision:

The decision sheet and the slightly revised minutes were adopted as circulated.

INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

Progress on formatting the Conference

Decision:

Noting that care must be taken not to undermine the confidence of States in the process, the Commission endorsed the work done by the Joint Organising Committee to put into effect the recommendations for modernisation of the Conference, and requested that the JOC invite the Value Web to brief the Commission at its next meeting.

Panel debates and key-note speakers

Decision:

The Commission requested that the Joint Organising Committee and others as appropriate proceed with contacting the individuals identified prior to the meeting and during the discussion to speak on panels at the International Conference.

Progress on developing agenda and substance

Decision:

The Commission approved the work done to develop the agenda and substance of the Conference and encouraged the Joint Organising Committee to continue in the same direction and come back to the next meeting of the Commission with an update. The Federation and the ICRC were asked to work on the issue of Principles and Rules on which no agreement existed at this stage.

Officers

Decision:

The Commission asked the Joint Organising Committee to continue the identification of suitable candidates for officers of the Conference and come back to the Commission's next meeting with a proposal for adoption. The SG of the Federation offered to contact ambassador Staur and VP Beerli Mrs Gailani.

Elections**Decision:**

The Commission agreed that if possible, electronic voting would be introduced at the International Conference for the Standing Commission ballot. With regard to the ballot, the Commission decided to revert to a format which indicates candidates' regional origin.

Draft list of observers**Decision:**

It was decided that the list of observers should be streamlined and improved. The JOC was asked to come up with a new criteria on invitation, including from the private sector.

Progress on redevelopment of Conference website**Decision:**

The Commission endorsed the work done to develop the website and expressed its wish that it should go live sooner rather than later. Likewise, the Commission endorsed the Global Engagement Initiative but expressed concern that it is insufficiently linked to the International Conference website, and risk of being very late. The new logo for the statutory meetings was approved.

World Red Cross Red Crescent Day – kick off for Fundamental Principles**Decision:**

The Commission reiterated its previous decision to use the World Red Cross Red Crescent Day as an occasion to kick off the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the proclamation of the Movement's Fundamental Principles.

COUNCIL OF DELEGATESHenry Dunant Medal: candidates proposed**Decision:**

The outcome of the informal discussion will be formally introduced at the next meeting of the Commission.

VISION FOR THE MOVEMENT: PRESENTATION OF DRAFT FROM ICRC AND THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION**Decision:**

The Standing Commission asked the ICRC and the International Federation to modify the paper in line with the discussion at the Commission. The paper will be shared with Members at the next meeting before it is circulated to a wider audience for consultation.

MONITORING OF THE MOU BETWEEN PRCS AND MDA: FEEDBACK FROM MOHAMMED AL-HADID AND PÄR STENBÄCK

Decision:

Commission Members Mr Stenbäck and Dr Al-Hadid will continue their efforts, including visits to the area, with support from the ICRC and the International Federation, and will keep the Standing Commission informed of progress on the MoU implementation.

WEBSITE – UPDATE ON THE COMMISSION’S WEBSITE

Decision:

The Commission endorsed the new look and structure of the Commission’s website.

SUMMARY FINANCIAL UPDATE FOR 2014 AND PROJECTIONS FOR 2015

Decision:

The Commission endorsed the revised budget For upcoming budget discussions at the SC, budget drafts will be circulated before the session to allow members to prepare.

DATE AND PLACE OF THE NEXT MEETINGS

Decision:

The Standing Commission will meet in Geneva 4 May 2015, and also in Vienna on 9 October 2015.