FINNISH RED CROSS YOUTH ASSEMBLY 2026

Time 28–29 March 2026

Place Varala Sports Institute, Varalankatu 36, 33240 Tampere

1. OPENING OF THE ASSEMBLY

Decision: Vice-Chair of the National Youth Committee Taika Vaulo opened the assembly on 27 March 2026 at 10.25.

2. ORGANISATION OF THE ASSEMBLY

Motion: Appoint the Chair, the Secretary, the examiners of the minutes and the tellers for the assembly.

Decision: The assembly elected Linda Heljasto from the Häme district as Chair and invited Kirsi Lehtola from the headquarters' Organisational Development Unit to serve as Secretary. Aino Jaakkola from the Helsinki and Uusimaa district and Venny Säävälä from the Oulu district were elected as examiners of the minutes. Onni Soininen from the Savo-Karelia district and Ahmad Arkan Ichsan from the Southwest Finland district were elected as tellers.

3. ASSEMBLY QUORUM

Motion: Note the number of districts represented and the number of members present entitled to vote. Note the assembly as convened in accordance with the Youth Assembly Work Instructions and the presence of a quorum.

Decision: The number of districts represented and the number of members present entitled to vote were noted. A total of eight districts were represented at the assembly, with 46 of the 102 eligible representatives present. The assembly was noted as convened in accordance with the Youth Assembly Work Instructions and the presence of a quorum. The rights to be present and speak were noted in accordance with the Work Instructions. Liinu Ylineva, the baby of the Chair of the National Youth Committee Riitta Ylineva, was granted the right to be present.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion: Approve the agenda to serve as the Work Instructions for the assembly.

Decision: The agenda was approved to serve as the Work Instructions for the assembly.

5. NATIONAL YOUTH COMMITTEE REPORT ON THE 2024–2026 GENERAL ASSEMBLY TERM

Motion: Note the matter.

Decision: The report presented by the National Youth Committee regarding the 2024–2026 General Assembly term was noted.

6. DISTRICT REPORTS ON THE 2024–2026 GENERAL ASSEMBLY TERM

Motion: Note the matter.

Decision: The reports presented by the districts regarding the 2024–2026 General Assembly term were noted.

The assembly was adjourned on 28 March 2026 at 11.10.

The assembly resumed on 29 March 2026 at 9.31. A total of eight districts were represented on the second day of the assembly.

7. YOUTH ASSEMBLY'S COMMENTS ON THE POLICY DRAFT AND THE AMENDMENTS TO THE STATUTES

Motion: Decide on the comments on the policy draft and amendments to the Statutes to be provided to the organisation for processing.

Decision: It was decided to submit the comments on the policy draft prepared by the work groups to the organisation for processing (Appendix 1). It was decided to support the proposed amendments to the Statutes, and comments prepared in the work groups concerning the supporting material for the proposals were presented (Appendix 2).

8. INITIATIVES, RESOLUTIONS AND STATEMENTS SUBMITTED TO THE YOUTH ASSEMBLY

Motion: Decide on the initiatives, resolutions and statements submitted to the Youth Assembly to be approved and provided to the General Assembly.

Decision: It was decided to approve the three initiatives that had been submitted to the Youth Assembly and finalised by the work groups, and to provide them to the General Assembly (Appendix 3). It was decided to approve the resolution that had been submitted to the Youth Assembly and finalised by the work groups, and to address it to the National Youth Committee (Appendix 4).

9. THE YOUTH ASSEMBLY'S MESSAGE TO THE ELECTORAL COMMISSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Motion: Propose suitable young candidates for the positions of trust appointed in the General Assembly. Forward the decision to the Electoral Commission of the General Assembly.

Decision: At the Youth Assembly, Taika Vaulo from the Helsinki and Uusimaa district and Moona Alaniemi from the Oulu district announced their candidacies for Vice-President of the Board of the Finnish Red Cross. Kimberly Andronova from the Helsinki and Uusimaa district, Tiia Lempinen from the Häme district, Katri Pakarinen from the

Savo-Karelia district and Jere Pärkkä from the Oulu district announced their candidacies for member positions on the Board. Iris Naukkarinen from the Häme district, Roosa Penttilä from the Häme district, Christina Piirainen from the Southwest Finland district and Elisabeth Rintaluoma from the Western Finland district announced their candidacies for positions on the Council.

It was decided to propose the election of all candidates to the Board and Council of the Finnish Red Cross. The proposal is forwarded to the Electoral Commission of the General Assembly.

10. NEW WORK INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE YOUTH ASSEMBLY

Motion: Decide to repeal the Work Instructions of the current Youth Assembly and to approve the new Work Instructions (Appendix 1).

Decision: It was decided to repeal the Work Instructions of the current Youth Assembly and to approve the new Work Instructions of the Network of Young Advocates as proposed (Appendix 5).

11. WORK GROUP APPOINTMENT

Motion: Decide to appoint a work group to prepare the appointment of the committee of the Network of Young Advocates.

Decision: It was decided to appoint a work group to prepare the appointment of the committee of the Network of Young Advocates in accordance with the new Work Instructions of the Network of Young Advocates. Ahmad Ichsan from the Southwest Finland district, Kiia Jokisaari from the Western Finland district, Nea Koivukangas from the Helsinki and Uusimaa district, Miisa Köykkä from the Häme district, Milja Lempinen from the Helsinki and Uusimaa district, Astrid Mikkilä from the Western Finland district and Ville Peltokangas from the Häme district were elected to the work group.

12. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS TO SUPPORT YOUNG VOLUNTEER ADVOCACY

Motion: Decide on supporting the actions recommended by the National Youth Committee and the Development Committee of Youth Volunteer Activities to strengthen advocacy among young people in our organisation.

Decision: It was decided to support the recommended actions to strengthen advocacy among young people in our organisation as presented (Appendix 6).

13. STATEMENT

Motion: Decide on the adoption of the statement of the assembly.

Decision: It was decided to adopt the statement of the assembly as finalised by the work groups and to forward it to the branches and districts (Appendix 7).

14. ANNOUNCEMENTS

Youth Assembly representatives were informed of the schedule for preparing the matters to be decided at the General Assembly and were encouraged to apply to become a branch representative with voting rights at the General Assembly. In addition to this, Youth Assembly representatives were encouraged to attend annual district meetings and run for positions on district boards, as well as to actively participate in the Network of Young Advocates and run for a position on its committee.

The announcements were noted.

15. OTHER MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

No other matters were raised.

16. CLOSURE OF THE ASSEMBLY

Chair Linda Heljasto closed the assembly on 29 March 2026 at 13.23.

Signatures

Linda Heljasto, Chair

Aino Jaakkola, Examiner of the Minutes

Venny Säävälä, Examiner of the Minutes

Kirsi Lehtola, Secretary