

YOUNG SOCIALIST EDITORIAL BOARD MINUTES - Oct. 5, 1958

Agenda: 1. Financial report 4. Area reports 7. World Youth Festival
 2. Sub report 5. Correspondence 8. Y.S. Conference
 3. Tour report 6. Youth March 9. Next Issue

Members present: Voting: Mike, Jim, Bert. Non-voting: Allen, Martha.

Absent: Tim, Ellie, Dick, George. Observing: Nora, Barbara.

Meeting begun at 8:30 PM, ended at 10:45 PM. Secretary: Allen.

1. Financial report: Allen presented a financial statement for Sept (appended to the minutes). Expenditures are running considerably higher than income. Note that the utility bills as well as two printers bills for the Sept and Oct issue have not yet been paid. Bundle charges to local areas for the Sept issue were \$287.94. \$66.50 was received, leaving \$221.44 still due for that issue alone.

Before the Nov issue can be taken to the printer, his back bill of \$361.20 must be paid. Editorial expense in this period will be \$87.50. Mailing costs will be about \$30. Approx. \$100 is now on hand. Therefore, an absolute minimum of \$375 must be received before the next issue can be printed. And more must be received to maintain minimum national functioning.

Early publication of the Nov issue is necessary for its sale at the Youth March in Washington, for use in the last few weeks of the election period, for building the current national tour, and for stimulating the fund drive. But the issue cannot be published on schedule unless the printer can be paid on Oct. 17, when he should receive the copy.

ALL AREAS SHOULD MAKE IMMEDIATE EFFORTS TO PAY BUNDLE BILLS AND FUND PLEDGES. SEND PAYMENTS, OR LETTERS TELLING WHEN PAYMENTS WILL BE MADE, BY OCT. 17.

Supporter cards have been sent to all areas. New York and Philadelphia report that they have begun distribution of the cards and collection of pledges.

Fund drive quotas have been sent to 18 areas. Ten have accepted: Baltimore, Bay Area, Buffalo, Cleveland, Detroit, Los Angeles, New York, Philadelphia, St. Louis, and Twin Cities. \$221, or 18% has been received to date. Three weeks, or 25%, of the campaign period has gone by. Bay Area, Chicago, and Phila. are ahead of schedule.

2. Sub report: Barbara reported that 49 subs were received in Sept, 27 new, 22 renewals. A letter has already been sent to all local groups announcing a national new-and-renewal campaign for 500 subs. Only New York and Phila. have accepted their quotas so far. All areas are urged to report on acceptance of the suggested quotas, as well as on sub campaign activities, as soon as possible.

3. Tour report: Allen reported the very successful beginning of Tim Wohlforth's national tour. Excerpts from a report from Los Angeles: Talk before the Conference of Young Socialists; 25 attendance, a number of them contacts; 4 new subs. Street corner meeting at U. of So. Cal; total 75-100 audience; 1 new sub, several contacts, large front-page feature in campus paper. Street corner meeting at LA State College; 3½ hours before 200-250 people; several hundred papers distributed; several new contacts. San Diego: 16 people at public meeting; 8 from S.D. State College; good possibilities for forming youth discussion club around several YS supporters. On-campus speech before E.V. Debs club at UCLA; 150 attendance, 20-30 names obtained for mail.

Meeting was held with YS supporters; discussion of local work and Ed. Bd. Memorandum. The group is growing, and forms majority of local IEM club which includes some ex-LYL'ers and social-democrats. Debs club is only socialist club at UCLA, putting YS in leading position there. CP and soc-dem competition very weak in the area.

Success of tour, particularly on campus, indicates excellent possibilities for expansion of influence and membership in the area.

Further reports on the tour, in the Bay Area, Portland, Seattle, and Vancouver, will appear in the November YS and in future Ed. Bd. minutes.

4. Area reports: New York: YSA calendar is appended to the minutes. On Sept 19, 50 papers were sold at Davies meeting, and 100 at Seeger hootenanny. YS is now sold on six newsstands in Manhattan.

Bay Area: Committee for the YS is holding regular meetings, as well as working in the local IEM club. About half attending Committee meetings in August were visitors, indicating growth of the Committee.

Denver: Front-page story in the U. of Colorado Daily reports members of the YS Club of Denver distribute papers to hundreds of interested students.

Seattle: YS supporters are working in the newly formed United Liberals and Socialists Party, particularly around the campaign of candidate Jerry Barrett, a U. of Washington student. These developments have thrown the Shachtmanites in the U of W socialist club into a frenzy. They refuse to support the new party.

Philadelphia: The YS Club has renewed its activities with a forum series in Sept and Oct. Five YSA members attended Philly social Oct. 4; attendance 25-30, mostly contacts.

5. Correspondence: Letters have been received from: A student in East Germany willing to write articles for the YS; a student in West Germany, asking for a "19 yr. old Negro boy pen-pal" (send letters to the YS and we will forward them); the editor of a West German youth newspaper, offering exchange articles.

6. Youth March: Jim reported that the Youth March for Integration has been postponed to Oct. 25. The YSA membership will participate directly and through campus clubs at CCNY and Columbia. A leaflet will be distributed to the March, and the YS sold. The Philly YSC reports it will participate through its members in high school.

7. World Youth Festival: Nora reported on the Oct. 4 meeting in New York of a national-committee-to-organize-participation-in-the-world-youth-festival, which will be held in Vienna, July 26-Aug 4, 1959. 40 attended: 38-NY, 1-Chi, 1-LA, most from CP milieu. Area committees are being set up in Seattle, Portland, SF, LA, Chi, NY, Detroit, and Phila. The conference asked all interested organizations to participate in the area committees. Nora will represent the YSA on the NY committee. Those interested can write to Joanne Grant, 27 W. 84 St, Apt-12, New York, NY.

8. YS Conference: A letter was received from the West Coast containing a draft motion on editorial policy for the YS, and a proposed agenda for the conference. Discussion was postponed to the next meeting. The letter also reported the next issue of the YS Forum will be out in a week or two. All orders, payments, and correspondence should be sent to Jim Robertson, 196-A Connecticut St, San Francisco 7.

9. Next Issue: Martha reported on the progress of articles on the election campaign, integration struggle, the tour, and youth notes. New material has been received, or promised, on the Barrett campaign in Seattle, on a free speech fight at the U. of Cal. at Berkeley, on the Belgium World's Fair, and on a German student's trip through Yugoslavia.

Next meeting: Sunday, Oct. 19. 7:00 PM. Martha's apt.

YOUNG SOCIALIST FINANCIAL STATEMENT - Sept. 1958

INCOME

Bundles: New York	(35.00 not collected)		
National			\$ 66.50
Subscriptions			46.00
Fund drive			147.00
Contributions			12.35
Bulletins			3.95
Supporter cards			13.00
YS encampment			<u>14.92</u>
	Total Income		\$303.72

EXPENDITURES

<u>Office</u>			
Rent	(35.00 not paid)		
* Utilities: phone		\$11.00	
gas, electric		6.50	\$17.50
Correspondence: stamps purchased		\$15.38	
" on hand		<u>4.41</u>	19.79
Maintenance			.50
Supplies: YS cards		\$ 5.10	
stationery		13.76	
addressograph		2.50	
typewriter		5.15	
misc.		<u>2.43</u>	28.94
Bank charges			<u>3.45</u> \$ 70.18
<u>Young Socialist</u>			
Editorial expense		\$175.00	
* Printer			175.35
Mailings: subs		\$15.27	
bundles		11.55	
other		<u>4.41</u>	<u>31.23</u> 381.58
<u>Tour:</u> transportation to L.A.		\$114.40	
payment from west coast		<u>75.00</u>	<u>39.40</u>
	Total expenditures		\$491.16
	Deficit		\$187.44

* bills not yet paid