

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

September 20, 1969

No. 16

NEC Present, Nelson, Larry, Kipp, David, Susan, Peer, Derrick, Carol

NEC Excused: Robin, Tony, Joanna

NC Alt. Present: Pat, Steve, Al U.

Convened: 10:10 A.M.

Chairman: David

Agenda: 1. National Office Report
2. Fund Drive Report
3. Antiwar Report

1. National Office Report - Larry

a. Membership

Motion: To transfer NC member Melissa S. from the New York local to the Austin local.

Motion Carried

Motion: To transfer NC Alt. Al U. from the Twin Cities local to the New York local.

Motion Carried

Motion: To transfer NC Alt. Laurie P. from the New York local to the Cleveland local.

Motion Carried

Motion: To transfer NC Alt. Sharon N. from the Atlanta local to the Detroit local.

Motion Carried

Motion: To transfer Dave H. from the Los Angeles local to at-large status in Plainfield Vt.

Motion Carried

Motion: To transfer Anita B. from the Antioch local to at-large status in Modesto, Calif.

Motion Carried

Motion: To transfer Richard S. from the Madison local to at-large status in New Concord, Ohio.

Motion Carried

Motion: To transfer Curtis D. from the Madison local to at-large status in Columbus, Ohio.

Discussion: Kipp, Susan

Motion Carried

Motion: To transfer Brian B. from the Madison local to at-large status in LaCrosse, Wisc.

Motion Carried

Motion: To transfer Mark S. and Jessica S. from at-large status in Buffalo, N.Y. to the Boston local.

Motion Carried

Motion: To transfer Mike M. and Lanette M. from the Detroit local to at-large status in Flint, Mich.

Motion Carried

Motion: To accept the following applications for membership at-large.

1. Ton L., Frenont, Calif.
2. Stuart C., Glen Ellyn, Ill.
3. Bob C., Glen Ellyn, Ill.
4. Sue M., Glen Ellyn, Ill.
5. George D., Clarks Summit, Pa.
6. Alan E., Worcester, Mass.
7. Lawrence B., Annandale-on-Hudson, N.Y.
8. Stanley W., Houston, Texas
9. Maria L., Houston, Texas
10. Sharon S., Houston, Texas
11. Jenie J., Houston, Texas
12. John C., Houston, Texas
13. Raymond E., Houston, Texas
14. Michael H., Houston, Texas

Motion Carried

Motion: To constitute a local of the YSA in Houston, Texas.

Motion Carried

Motion: To approve the division of the Washtenaw County, Mich. local into the Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor locals.

Motion Carried

Motion: To readmit Marian T. as a member of the YSA in the Chicago local.

Motion Carried

Motion: To readmit Dean D. as a member of the YSA in the Berkeley local.

Motion Carried

b. Fund Drive

Motion: That Larry be Fund Drive Director.

Motion Carried

c. YSA Representative to the Political Committee

Motion: That Larry be the YSA representative to the Political Committee of the SWP.

Motion Carried

d. YSA National Convention

Motion: To hold the 9th National Convention of the YSA in Minneapolis, Minn.

Motion Carried

Motion: That the convention be held on December 27, 28, 29, and 30.

Discussion: Peer, Larry

Motion Carried

Motion: That the agenda of the convention be:

1. International Report
2. Political Report
3. Black Struggle Report
4. Antiwar Report
5. Organizational Report
6. Young Socialist Report
7. Election of the National Committee

Convention Call to follow.

Discussion: Susan, Carol, Larry

Motion Carried

e. National Office Staff

Motion: That Lee S. from the Twin Cities local be assigned to work in the National Office.

Motion Carried

f. National Tours

Motion: That Nelson and Susan conduct a national organizational tour this fall.

Tour schedules enclosed.

Discussion: Pat, Kipp, Carol, Susan, Larry,

Motion Carried

2. Fund Drive Report - Larry

Scoreboard enclosed.

Motion: To approve the report.

Motion Carried

3. Antiwar Report - Carol

Written report enclosed.

Motion: To approve the report.

Discussion: Kipp, Carol, Pat, Carol, Larry, Carol

Motion Carried

Adjourned: 11:50 A.M.

Marxist-Leninist youth groups to meet in Chicago

NEW YORK, Sept. 24 — The founding convention of a "working class Marxist-Leninist youth organization" will be held in Chicago Dec. 26, 28, according to the convention call issued yesterday.

Represented in the "temporary organizing committee" for the new organization are members of the W.E.B. DuBois Club, young members of the Communist Party and "independent Marxist youth," according to the call.

"Young black, brown and white workers" will constitute the "core and leadership" of the new organization, the call says.

Additional information is available at the headquarters of the Temporary Organizing Committee for a New Marxist-Leninist Youth Organization, 22 East 17 St., Room 1228-1229, New York, 10003.

The text of the call to the founding convention follows:

"U.S. capitalist society is a society challenged by its youth. Young people seeking a meaningful future are struggling against a sick society, a society which attempts to drag the whole world with it to the grave.

Millions of young people are demanding an end to a society that threatens mankind with nuclear annihilation. They demand an end to imperialist wars, racism, poverty, exploitation, repression, and the moral and cultural values of the millionaires. Tens of thousands of youth are demanding revolutionary change.

"Socialism, in power in one-third of the world is capturing the minds of youth in every oppressed

and exploited corner of the globe. The U.S., heartland of imperialism, is no exception.

Young people are learning through their own struggles, and the struggles of other peoples, that the working class black and white, is the one force capable of wresting power from the billionaire rulers. Young workers are taught on the assembly line the daily exploitation of capitalism.

"In rebelling against brutal speed-up, dead-end jobs, killing working conditions, low pay, racism, and discrimination based on sex, young workers, black and white are beginning to feel their power — their class power.

"It is these young workers which will lead the youth movement into a powerful alliance with the whole working class and the nationally oppressed black, Chicano, Puerto Rican and Indian peoples — an alliance for progress and socialism.

"To help build this powerful alliance, a Marxist-Leninist youth organization is needed. Marxism-Leninism is the science of liberation, the science of working class victory. It tells you where it was, where it's at, and where it will be.

"This will be a militant youth organization, fighting on every front against oppression. We will be fighting for higher wages, shorter hours, jobs for youth, free quality education for all. We will fight against racist hiring practices, the great tax robbery, welfare and education budget cuts, military spending and fascist police attacks on the people.

"In short, every struggle of the working class, black and white, against the capitalists will be our struggle. Such a youth organization will imbue youth with internationalism. It will demand from all its members the highest standards in the fight against racism and chauvinism.

"All national oppressed youth will find a home and healthy atmosphere as leaders and members. A working class Marxist-Leninist youth organization with young black, brown and white workers as its core and leadership, is necessary for uniting youth and winning them to Socialism.

"To form such an organization, we call all young people who agree with this call and are not opposed to our statement of principles to join us in building towards a founding convention in Chicago on Dec. 26, 27 and 28."

"Build toward this historic gathering!"