

POLITICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES, No. 10, July 24, 1970

PC Present: B. Barnes, J. Barnes, Britton, DeBerry, Dobbs, Halstead
A. Hansen, LaMont, Novack, Ring, Sheppard, Waters

Visitors: Kerry, Lund, Seigle, Weissman

Chairman: Novack

AGENDA: 1. World Movement
 2. Socialist Activists and Educational Conference
 3. National Education Director
 4. Rhode Island Election Campaign
 5. Membership

1. World Movement

Sheppard reported.

2. Socialist Activists and Educational Conference

Britton reported on problems of financing Socialist Activists and Educational Conference.

Motion: To request a voluntary assessment from each branch of \$7.00 per member to help cover the expenses incurred in organizing the Socialist Activists and Educational Conference.

Carried.

3. National Educational Director

J. Barnes reported on Administrative Committee discussion.

Motion: To designate Gus Horowitz National Education Director.

Carried.

4. Rhode Island Election Campaign

Britton reported on the request of the Providence YSA local.

Motion: To authorize a Socialist Workers 1970 Rhode Island state election campaign.

Carried.

5. Membership

Britton reported on recommendations of Los Angeles branch and Chicago branch to readmit P.C. and R.M. respectively to party membership.

Motion: 1) To concur with the Los Angeles branch recommendation to readmit P.C. to party membership.

Carried.

2) To concur with the Chicago branch recommendation to readmit R.M. to party membership.

Carried.

Meeting adjourned.

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TO ALL NC MEMBERS, ORGANIZERS AND AT-LARGE MEMBERS

Dear Comrades,

Socialist Activists and Educational Conference Assessment

As we pointed out in our June 23 letter to the branches on the Socialist Activists and Educational Conference, "there will be certain expenses incurred in arranging for the conference, travel expenses for speakers, maintenance costs at the conference, and others that will have to be absorbed by a minimal fee not covered by the board and room payment. Information will be forthcoming on the amount and type of fee and when it must be paid when we know what the total expenses will amount to."

The Political Committee discussed this problem at its July 24 meeting and passed the following motion: "To request a voluntary assessment from each branch of \$7.00 per member to help cover the expenses incurred in organizing the Socialist Activists and Educational Conference."

The collection of this voluntary assessment is the responsibility of the branches. The branches should attempt to collect the equivalent of the assessment times the branch membership. For example if a branch has 30 members it should collect \$7.00 times 30 or \$210.00. This will be possible despite the fact that some comrades will not be able to pay a full or partial assessment if those comrades who are able to pay more than \$7.00 do so.

Since all expenses will be payable before or during the conference the branches should collect the assessments as soon as possible in order for the national office to receive them by the first day of the conference.

Comradely,



Joel Britton
for the Political Committee

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TO ALL NC MEMBERS AND ORGANIZERS

Dear Comrades,

The program and tentative schedule for the Socialist Activists and Educational Conference sets aside time for an informal meeting of the National Committee members and organizers of the party and YSA who are present at the conference. The purpose of this gathering is to hear an informational report on current developments in the world movement.

Comradely,


Jack Barnes
Organization Secretary