

MINUTES OF THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE PLENUM

YOUNG SOCIALIST ALLIANCE

New York City, December 27, 1970

Present:

Full: Naomi A., Russell B., Frank B.,  
Dave C., Barry D., Carl Fr., Dave F.,  
Don G., James H., Susan L., Carol L.,  
Derrick M., Marta P., Roger R.,  
Bob S., Lee S., Ilona S., John S.,  
Tony T., Bob W.

Alternate: Laura M., Cindy J., Mike M., Mimi H.,  
Bruce M., Byron A.

Observer: Carol L., Paul K., Fred M., Tom K.,  
Lisa P., Caroline F., Jerry F.,  
Stu S., Linda C., Al B., Rich F.,  
Bruce K., Andy R., Peter G., Barb C.,  
Terry H., Debby P., Don B., Ruth G.,  
Jerry F., Guito T., Hugh F.

Convened: 8:50 a.m.

Chairman: Lee S.

Agenda: 1. Press Report  
2. Resolutions Report  
3. Organization of the Convention  
4. Financial Report  
5. Membership Policy

1. Press Report - Frank B.

Motion: To approve the report.

Motion Carried

2. Resolutions Report - Carl Fr.

Motion: To approve the report.

Motion Carried

3. Organization of the Convention - Cindy J.

Motion: To propose the following organizational motions to the convention:

1. Motion: That the Presiding Committee consist of Norman O., Susan L., Carl Fr., Cindy J., Frank B., Lee S. and one delegate each from the East Coast, Midwest, West Coast, South and Southwest.

2. Motion: That procedural questions be decided by majority vote with one speaker for and one speaker against, each with one minute.
3. Motion: To adopt the following rules for the convention:
  - a. That all sessions be open, with the exception of the session electing the new National Committee, which shall be closed.
  - b. That the National Committee shall be elected by secret ballot.
  - c. That delegates and alternates seated in place of absent delegates have voice and vote. That consultative delegates have voice and consultative vote. That special guests have no voice and no vote, although greetings may be delivered to the convention upon motion of the Presiding Committee.
  - d. That discussion presentations be limited to 7 minutes.
  - e. That in any discussion period, no one may speak a second time before each person desiring the floor has had a chance to speak.
  - f. That only those delegates seated at the roll call of a particular session may vote.
4. Motion: That consultative delegates be the outgoing National Committee, one person from each at-large area, and those comrades who are not on the outgoing National Committee who work in the YSA National Office and the National Office of the Student Mobilization Committee.
5. Motion: That special guests be one representative from each organization invited to attend the convention, and designated representatives from the Socialist Workers Party and organizations of our co-thinkers abroad.
6. Motion: That the convention be open to YSAers, sympathizers, invited guests and observers.
7. Motion: That there be a Nominating Commission composed as follows:

3 comrades from the New York area, 3 from the New England area, 1 from Pennsylvania, 1 from Washington D.C., 1 from Florida, 1 from the

Southeast area, 2 from the Texas area, 2 from the Southern California-Southwest area, 2 from the Northern California area, 1 from Oregon, 1 from Washington, 1 from Colorado, 1 from Minnesota, 3 from the Midwest area, 2 from the Michigan area, 1 from Wisconsin and 2 from Ohio.

8. Motion: That there be two convention secretaries.
9. Motion: To approve the convention schedule as written.
10. Motion: That Carol L., San Francisco, and John S., Chicago, be proposed to chair the Nominating Commission.
11. Motion: That Ilona S., Atlanta, be proposed to chair the Constitution Commission.
12. Motion: That Laura M., New York, be proposed to chair the Credentials Commission.

Motion Carried

4. Financial Report - Andy R.

Motion: To approve the report.

Discussion: Dave C., Andy R., Barb C., Andy R., Debby P.,  
Andy R., Dave C., Andy R., Peter G., Andy R.,  
Tony T.

Motion Carried

5. Membership Policy - Susan

Motion: To approve the report.

Motion Carried

Adjourned: 9:40 a.m.