

POLITICAL COMMITTEE MEETING No. 29, July 18, 1975

Present: Barnes, Breitman, Hansen, Jenness, Shaw, Seigle,
Sheppard, Thomas, Waters

Chair: Waters

AGENDA: 1. NAACP
2. Fraternal Delegates to Convention
3. New York Times Reporter at Convention
4. Party Expansion
5. World Movement Report

1. NAACP

(Lyons invited for this point)

Thomas reported on recent developments with NAACP.

Discussion

2. FRATERNAL DELEGATES TO CONVENTION

Sheppard reported:

Motion: To recommend to the pre-convention National Committee plenum the following proposed motion to the convention: to seat as fraternal delegates the following: (1) National Committee members, (2) members of the National Control Commission, (3) heads of national departments, (4) members of the youth National Executive Committee, (5) special guests.

Discussion

Carried

3. NEW YORK TIMES REPORTER AT CONVENTION

(Stapleton invited for this point)

Stapleton reported.

Discussion

Agreement that a reporter from the New York Times who has been following our suit and has asked to attend our convention be invited to observe the open sessions of the convention.

4. PARTY EXPANSION

Sheppard reported:

The New York City Local, in consultation with the National Office, has begun discussions about releasing a group of comrades to work toward establishing a branch in Newark. Some of those comrades being considered for this assignment have to stay in the New York metropolitan area, and thus could not be released for assignments outside that area but could move to Newark. The New York City Local and the Lower Manhattan branch are considering moving that branch to the Lower East Side, in conjunction with reducing the size of that branch to aid the Newark project.

Discussion

Motion: To approve the report.

Carried

5. WORLD MOVEMENT REPORT

(Benson, Foley, J. Hansen invited for this point)

Shaw reported.

- Motion: 1) To draft a letter to the French Revolutionary Communist League along the lines of the discussion. (Copy of letter will be sent under separate cover.)
- 2) To continue campaigning on Portugal in our press along the lines of the report.

Carried

Meeting Adjourned.