

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 30, 1977

No. 11

NEC Present: Archer, Berman, Brown, Farley, Hart, Linder, Petrin,
Rodriguez, Sedwick, Williams, Zárate

Guest: Stallworth

Chair: Farley

Agenda: 1. Antiracist Report
2. YS Sales Drive Report
3. Teams and Regional Work Report
4. Fund Drive Report
5. National Black Political Assembly Conference Report
6. National Office Report
7. Plenum Agenda
8. YSA Report to SWP Plenum

1. Antiracist Report

Sedwick reported on the March 25-26 actions against U.S. support to apartheid in southern Africa. She also reported on progress of the NSCAR open letter campaign against redbaiting in the anti-apartheid movement, and plans for the April 10 NSCAR steering committee meeting in Atlanta.

Discussion

2. YS Sales Drive Report

Williams reported on the status of the YS sales campaign. A special effort will be needed to reach the national goal of 6,000 YSs in April. Some chapters have lowered their sales goals; discussions will take place with other chapters about raising their goals. Sales and socialist propaganda should be seen as a top priority for chapters in April.

Motion: To approve the report.

Discussion

Carried

3. Teams and Regional Work Report

Archer reported on the progress of the eight YSA travelling teams. The teams have sold an average number of Militants and YSs that is below their weekly goal, but an average amount of Pathfinder literature that is above their weekly goal. Chapters will be urged to make assignments to follow up on the work of the teams.

Motion: To approve the report.

Discussion

Carried

4. Fund Drive Report

Linder reported on the status of the national fund drive, now in its fourth week. The drive has fallen 8 percentage points behind, and steps should be taken to get back on schedule.

Motion: To approve the report.

Discussion

Carried

5. National Black Political Assembly Conference Report

Hart reported on the March 18-19 National Black Political Assembly Conference in Washington D.C.

Discussion

6. National Office Report

Motion by Farley: To transfer national committee member Harkness from the University of Minnesota chapter to the New York City local.

Carried

Motion by Farley: To assign NC member Harkness to work in the national office.

Carried

Motion by Farley: That organization tours be done by Williams in Newark and by Sedwick in Detroit, Bloomington, and Louisville.

Carried

Motion by Archer: To admit the following people as at-large members:

1. James H. in Gainesville, Fl.
2. Harry P. in Gainesville, Fl.
3. Ricardo S. in Baton Rouge, La.
4. Sara G. in Richmond, Va.
5. Tony U. in Richmond, Va.

Discussion

Carried

Motion by Archer: To drop Omar K. in Richmond, Va. for nonpayment of dues.

Discussion

Carried

Motion by Archer: To release NC member Soares and notify Baca that as first alternate he automatically becomes a full member of the national committee.

Discussion

Carried

Motion by Archer: To dissolve the Kansas City YSA chapter since it no longer has the required number of members for chapter status.

Carried

Motion by Archer: To charter the following YSA chapters:

1. Richmond, Va.
2. Baton Rouge, La.

Discussion

Carried

Motion by Archer: To concur with the decision of the Cleveland local to reorganize itself into a single chapter.

Discussion

Carried

Motion by Archer: To concur with the decision of the Los Angeles local to reorganize itself into three chapters.

Discussion

Carried

Motion by Archer: To concur with the decision of the San Francisco local to reorganize itself into two chapters.

Discussion

Carried

7. Plenum Agenda

Berman proposed the following agenda for the May 6-8 plenum:

1. International Youth Radicalization Report
2. World Movement Report: Latin America

3. Political Report
4. Southern Africa Movement Report
5. Women's Liberation Report
6. Organization Report
7. Election of the National Executive Committee

Motion: To approve the agenda as proposed.

Discussion

Carried

8. YSA Report to SWP Plenum

Berman reported that the YSA NEC has been asked by the SWP Political Committee to prepare a report for the April 14-17 SWP plenum.

Motion: To assign Berman to draft a report.

Carried

Meeting Adjourned.