P.O. Box 471, Cooper Station New York, N.Y. 10003

March 3, 1971

# TO ALL ORGANIZERS, N.C. MEMBERS, ANTIWAR DIRECTORS AND AT-LARGE MEMBERS

Dear Comrades,

On February 28, in Washington D.C., the steering committee of the People's Coalition for Peace and Justice (PCPJ), decided to endorse the April 24 demonstrations. Its decision was a direct result of the success of the SMC conference and the growth of the forces around the April 24 action. NPAC will continue to maintain political and organizational responsibility for the demonstrations. The PCPJ did not ask for, and NPAC did not give, endorsement of the PCPJ demands: The PCPJ will issue its own material building the action on the basis of its three demands. It publicly announced its co-sponsorship of April 24 at a press conference on March 2. This will be followed shortly by an open letter signed jointly by NPAC and the PCPJ:

The magnitude of this victory and the opportunities which it opens for the growth of the antiwar movement are unprecedented. With the unification of the antiwar movement around the April 24 date the road is open for an action which can rival or even surpass the November 15, 1969 demonstrations in both size and impact. Moreover, NPAC has clearly been established as the leading antiwar coalition.

The main task which we face right now is to redouble our efforts around the spring offensive. Many individuals who were previously confused over the split in the movement will now be prepared to join in building support for the April 24 action. It is important that these people be contacted by local NPAC and SMC groups and involved as rapidly as possible in activity to build April 24. The new enthusiasm for a unified spring antiwar calendar will play an important role in getting money and sponsorship from many who were unwilling to support April 24 in the past. Buses should be reserved and tickets printed if this has not already been done. The arrangements for transportation can then be announced at local news conferences which inform the press of the unity of the antiwar movement around the April 24 date.

The coming April 2 - 4 actions offer an excellent opportunity to strengthen the working relationships which we can develop with the PCPJ and to begin work with Black student and community groups. The size of the new forces from the Third World movements that we can involve around these actions will vary from one place to another, but the idea remains to lay a groundwork for future cooperation, particularly in regard to building the Black contingents on April 24. The character of the actions will vary in different areas. Where actions of a city-wide character are not possible, successful teach-ins and rallies at campuses and high schools can be organized. Every area can make use of the April 2 - 4 actions to expand its Third World contact and build the 24th.

Comradely,

Dave Frankel

YSA Antiwar Director

Dave Frankel

#### NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

March 10, 1971

No. 4

NEC Present: Carl Fi., Laura, Norman, Cindy, Andy, Rich, Mirta, Frank,

Ruthann, Don

NC Present: Dave, Mike

NC Alt. Present: Mimi, Terry, Linda, Byron, Debbie N., Bobby, Ruth

Visitor: Nancy

Convened: 3:10 p.m.

Chairwoman: Cindy

Agenda: 1 National Office Report

2. Spring Fund Drive Report

3. Youth Report

# 1. National Office Report

a. Membership - Nancy

Motion: To readmit Lynn F. into the Chicago local.

Motion Carried

Motion: To readmit Larry E. into the Madison local.

Motion Carried

Motion: To readmit Larry N. into the Madison local.

Motion Carried

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

- 1. Heidi K. in New Britain, Conn.
- 2. James H. in Lawrenceburg, Ind.
- 3. Gertrude K. in Troy, N.Y.
- 4. Geoffrey H. in Tucson, Ariz.
- 5. Maggie M. in Tucson, Ariz.
- 6. John M. in Tucson, Ariz.
- 7. Stephanie S. in Tucson, Ariz.
- 8. Holbrook M. in Tucson, Ariz.

Motion Carried

Motion: To constitute a local of the YSA in Tucson, Ariz.

Motion Carried

Motion: To reconstitute a local of the YSA in El Paso, Texas,

Motion Carried

b. National Office Staff - Frank

Motion: That Mirta V. from New York be assigned to work in the National Office.

Motion Carried

c. Arrangements for the SWP Plenum - Andy

Motion: To approve the report.

Discussion: Byron, Frank

Motion Carried

2. Spring Fund Drive Report - Andy

Motion: To approve the report.

Motion Carried

3. Youth Report to the SWP Plenum - Frank

Motion: To approve the general line of the report.

<u>Discussion:</u> Don, Byron, Frank, Debbie N., Frank, Mike, Ruthann, Mirta, Linda, Cindy, Mike, Norman, Don, Frank, Byron, Don, Laura, Debbie N., Dave, Mike, Mimi, Debbie N.,

Frank

Motion Carried

Adjourned: 4:40 p.m.

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March 17, 1971

# TO ALL ORGANIZERS AND FINANCIAL DIRECTORS

Dear Comrades,

Enclosed are copies of a monthly financial report from YSA locals to the National Office. These forms are to be filled out each month and sent in to the N.O. Having the information provided on these forms on a regular basis will facilitate our working with locals on problems that arise, developing an accurate picture of the progress of our financial campaign, and being able to spot weaknesses that may come up.

Locals will want to make a duplicate copy of the report form for their own records. The original should be sent to the N.O. as soon as possible at the beginning of each month.

Locals that utilize the bookkeeping system described in the handbook on YSA finances will be able to copy most of the information requested on the form directly from their ledgers.

Comradely,

Andy Rose

YSA Financial Director

P.O. Box 471 Cooper Station New York, N.Y. 10003

March 17, 1971

# TO ALL ORGANIZERS, NC MEMBERS AND FINANCIAL DIRECTORS

Dear Comrades,

Enclosed is an imaginary letter from a YSA regional organizer to all the regional at-large members. This is a sample of the type of letter all regional centers should be sending to at-largers about the spring fund drive. If at all possible, such a form letter should be followed up with telephone calls to the at-largers.

The purpose of these letters and phone calls is to ensure the fullest participation of at-large members in the fund drive. Making the at-large quota will be vital to making the fund drive nationally, and regional centers have an important responsibility for organizing this.

Every regional center should have sent out some communication on the fund drive to at-largers by the end of March. Please send copies of these letters to the YSA National Office.

Comradely,

Andy Rose

YSA Financial Director

Alaska YSA Regional Office 1111 Main St. Anchorage, Alaska 99999

March 30, 1971

Dear Comrade,

As you know, we approved a national fund drive for the spring of \$43,000 at our convention in December. In order to meet this drive, it is necessary that we organize a national campaign and coordinate it on a regional basis. Finances are a crucial part of our movement, and every other area of work depends on success in this area. As the YSA grows and expands into new areas, our financial consciousness and professional organization of finances must also grow. We must see financing our organization as a key responsibility of every YSAer, whether a local member or an at-larger.

The Alaska regional quota is \$6700. In addition, the at-large members in the Alaska region have the responsibility of helping to meet the \$1000 national at-large quota. In order for the national quota to be met each at-larger in our region should make a pledge to the fund drive. The National Office has suggested a minimum pledge of \$20 for every at-large member of the YSA. In some cases this will not be possible, but in many others comrades will be able to pledge more. Whatever financial resources an individual comrade has, the fund drive must be seen as a key responsibility for each of us.

Every comrade in a local pledges a certain amount each week to sustain the local and to go toward the local's fund drive quota. At-large comrades should also pledge weekly or monthly sustainers, to be paid directly to the National Office and credited to the fund drive for their at-large area. At our regional committee meeting earlier this month we voted to request that each local and at-large area send in at least the equivalent of \$2 per member per menth to the regional office to help finance our expanding regional work. At-largers should send in their regional sustainers to Anchorage just as they send in national sustainers to the N.O.

We plan to organize many fund-raising activities on a regional basis this spring. You should have received mailings already on our Alaska Socialist Speakers Bureau through which we plan to organize honoraria for YSA speakers.

We now have about seven weeks left in the fund drive. Nationally we are considerably behind, including the at-large quota. If we are to expand and develop our national apparatus

in order to take advantage of all the opportunities now open to the YSA, we must make the spring fund drive. Please return half of the coupon below to the regional office and the other half to the National Office as soon as possible.

Comradely,

Marcel Black

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YSA Regional Organizer

March 24, 1971

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NEC Present: Cindy, Norman, Rich, Laura, Frank, Andy, Don, Mirta

NEC Excused: Ruthann, Carl

NC Present: Dave

NC Alternates Present: Terry, Debby W., Debbie N., Byron, Ruth, Linda

Visitor: Nancy

Convened: 3:12 p.m.

Chairperson: Norman

Agenda: 1. National Office Report

- 2. National Organizational Tours Report
- 3. Texas Tour Report
- 4. Antiwar Report
- 5. Defense Report
- -6. Mandel Case Report
- 7. Financial and Fund Drive Report

# 1. National Office Report - Nancy

#### a. Membership

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

- 1. James G., New Orleans, La.
- 2. Ollie B., Flint, Mich.
- 3. Anthony L., Dallas, Tex.

- 4. Gordon P., Wilmington, Del.
  5. Jeanne M., Beaverton, Orc.
  6. Susan T., Jacksonville, Fla.
- 7. Don L., Jacksonville, Fla.
- 8. Sandy P., Jacksonville, Fla.

Discussion: Ruth, Nancy, Andy

#### Motion Carried

Motion: To charter a local of the YSA in Jacksonville, Fla.

#### Motion Carried

Motion: To transfer Dean R. from at-large status in Santa Cruz, Calif., to the San Francisco local.

#### Motion Carried

Motion: To transfer the following comrades from locals to at-large areas:

- 1. Leonard B. from Berkeley to Sunnyvale, Cal.
- 2. Ron S. from Yellow Springs to Orange City, Fla.
- 3. Bill B. from Yellow Springs to Otter Lake, N.H.

# Motion Carried

Motion: That Murfreesboro be dropped as a local and constituted as an at-large area because it does not have the required number of members for local status due to people leaving the YSA.

Discussion: Rich

#### Motion Carried

## b. National Committee

Motion: To transfer NC member Nike A. from the New York local to the Berkeley local.

#### Motion Carried

# 2. National Organizational Tours Report - Cindy

Motion: That Cindy J. and Norman O. conduct the spring national organizational tours.

<u>Discussion</u>: Ruth, Cindy, Frank, Byron, Cindy, Byron, Cindy, Laura, Byron, Andy, Frank, Ruth, Cindy

Motion Carried

Motion: To approve the report,

#### Motion Carried

# 3. Texas Tour Report - Mirta

Report on the upcoming tour of Texas.

Motion: To approve the report.

Discussion: Ruth, Mirta, Ruth, Mirta,

Don, Mirta

#### Motion Carried

### 4. Antiwar Report - Dave

Motion: To approve the report.

Discussion: Ruth, Dave, Ruth, Dave, Ruth, Dave, Ruth,

Dave, Ruth

# Motion Carried

5. Defense Work Report - Rich

Motion: To approve the report.

Discussion: Don, Rich

Motion Carried

6. Mandel Case Report - Laura

Motion: To approve the report.

Discussion: Byron, Laura, Don, Laura, Ruth, Laura

Motion Carried

7. Financial and Fund Drive Report - Andy

Notion: To extend the fund drive deadline to June 1, 1971.

Discussion: Byron, Andy, Linda, Andy, Debbie N., Andy,

Byron, Andy, Ruth, Andy

Motion Carried

Motion: To approve the report.

Motion Carried

Adjourned: 4:45 p.m.

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March 24, 1971

#### TO ALL ORGANIZERS AND NC MEMBERS

Dear Comrades,

This spring Cindy Jaquith and Norman Oliver will be conducting national organizational tours for the YSA. They will be visiting every YSA local between April 1 and May 30. These tours will be extremely important both for the National Office and for the locals around the country. They offer comrades the opportunity to discuss their plans and perspectives for building the YSA and to exchange ideas and suggestions on both national and local functioning with members of the National Office staff.

These tours are primarily organizational rather than speaking tours. Most of the time in each area will be spent in meetings with comrades. The tour stops should be carefully planned out well in advance to make sure that sufficient time is allocated for meetings with the organizer, the executive committee, and the local.

Both Cindy and Norman have public talks prepared. Every local should plan and build a public meeting and seek to obtain honoraria. Cindy will be speaking on "The Revolt of Women: In Defense of the Feminist Movement" and can be billed as National Secretary of the YSA and National YSA Women's Liberation Work Director. The title of Norman's talk will be "Strategy for Black Liberation" and he can be publicized as National Organizational Secretary of the YSA and National YSA Black Work Director. Enclosed are brief biographical sketches of both Norman and Cindy which may be useful in obtaining honoraria.

Wherever possible, locals should raise honoraria for the public meeting in order to belp cover the tour quotas and raise money for the fund drive. The tour quotas must be given to Cindy and Norman at each stop. Any money obtained above the tour quotas should be sent directly to the National Office to be applied to the local's fund drive quota.

Comrades should note that the tour schedules are extremely tight. Because of the expansion of the YSA and the addition of new locals, it became necessary to schedule only one day in many locals. Locals should set up no more than one public meeting. No meetings should be planned on travel days—these are for rest as well as travel.

Because of this tight schedule, changes can only be made if absolutely necessary. If there are any problems with the proposed schedules or quotas, locals should inform the National Office immediately.

Comradely, Frank Boch Frank Bochm National Chairman

### CINDY JAQUITH

Cindy Jaquith, 23 years old, is the National Secretary of the YSA. As a student at Columbia University, she became active in the antiwar movement and joined the YSA in December of 1967.

She was a leader in the Columbia Strike of 1968 and was to chairwoman of the Columbia Committee To Aid Anti-War GIs in 1969.

After graduating from Columbia in 1969 she became an activist in the New York University Student Mobilization Committee.

Jaquith became YSA National Women's Liberation Work Director in the fall of 1970. She has been active in the New York women's liberation movement and has spoken in several cities around the country on perspectives for the feminist movement. On her current tour she will be speaking on "The Revolt of Women: In Defense of the Feminist Movement."

#### NORMAN OLIVER

Norman Oliver, twenty years old, is the National Organizational Secretary of the YSA. He joined the YSA in May of 1968 when he was a high school student active in the antiwar and Black student movements.

While a student at Cass Technical High School in Detroit, Oliver was the managing editor of the Black Student Voice, a newspaper written by Black high school students.

Oliver attended Highland Park Community College in Detroit where he was a member of the central committee of the H.P.C.C. Association of Black Students and chairman of the H.P.C.C. Student Mobilization Committee. In 1970 he became chairman of the Detroit SMC and helped build the April 15 antiwar actions in that city.

In the fall of 1970 Oliver became the YSA National Black Work Director. Recently he travelled to Germany to interview Black GIs about the racist conditions in the army and the antiwar sentiment among Black soldiers.

Oliver has spoken in cities across the country on the revolutionary dynamics of the Black liberation movement. On his current tour he will be speaking on "Strategy for Black Liberation."

# SPRING TOUR SCHEDULE - Cindy Jaquith

Local	Date	Quota
Nashville	Apr.1	\$15
Atlanta	2-4	35
Tallahassee	5	20
Jacksonville	6	15
Tampa	7–8	25
Houston	9-11	30
Travel	12	
San Antonio	13	15
Austin	14-16	30
Norman	17–18	15
Travel	19	
El Paso	20	15
Tucson	21	15
Phoenix	22–23	25
Antiwar Demonstration - S.F.	24	
Travel	25	
Los Angeles	26–28	40
Riverside	29–30	20
San Diego	May 1-2	25
San Francisco	3–5	35
Berkeley-Oakland	6–8	35
Modesto	9	15
Sacramento	10	15
Travel	11	
Portland	12–13	25
Seattle	14-16	35
Travel	17	
Logan	18	15

# Jaquith Tour continued

Local	<u>Date</u>	Quota
Denver	19-21	\$25
Boulder	22	15
Colorado Springs	23	15
Travel	24	
LaCrosse	25	15
Oshkosh	26	15
Madison	27–28	25
Milwaukee	29-30	15

# SPRING TOUR SCHEDULE - Norman Oliver

Local	Date	Quota
Long Island	Apr.1	\$20
Newark	2	15
Paterson	3	15
Cambridge	4-5	30
North Boston	6–7	30
South Boston	8-9	30
Travel	10	
Providence	11-12	25
Worcester	13-14	25
Amherst	15	20
Pittsfield	16	15
Travel	17	
Albany	18	20
Binghamton	19	25
Philadelphia	20-22	35
Travel	23	
Antiwar Demonstration - D.C.	24	

# Oliver Tour continued

Local	Date	Quota
Cleveland	25–27	\$35
Columbus	28	15
Yellow Springs	29	15
Dayton	30	15
Travel	May 1	
Oxford	2	15
Cinncinnati	3	15
Bloomington	4-5	20
Kansas City	6–7	20
Travel	8	
Chicago	9–11	50
DeKalb	12	20
Twin Cities	13–15	35
Travel	16	
Ann Arbor	17-18	20
Ypsilanti	19	15
East Lansing	20	15
Detroit	21-23	40
Washington, D.C.	24-25	35
New York Area	26–30	60

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# TO ALL YSA ORGANIZERS, NC MEMBERS AND AT-LARGERS

Dear Comrades,

The first round in the Mandel Case has been won! As a front-page story in the March 19, 1971, New York Times reported: "A three-judge Federal court here, in a 2-to-1 decision, ... upheld the right of Dr. Ernest E. Mandel, an internationally known Belgian Marxist, to obtain a visa to lecture at colleges, universities and specific conferences. In so doing, the judges ruled unconstitutional sections of the Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952, popularly known as the McCarran Act." This initial victory is due primarily to the ambitious and united defense which has been organized in support of "the right to hear."

The U.S. government now has six weeks to appeal the decision to a higher court, and an appeal to the Supreme Court appears almost certain since the case figures so prominently in the government's ability to arbitrarily exclude its ideological adversaries.

The YSA has played an important role in bringing about this court victory; YSAers have publicized the case and raised funds for it on campuses across the country. But much work still must be done, especially in the area of fund-raising. Expenses for the case will eventually run upwards of \$8,000; already, there are a number of unpaid bills for legal and printing expenses. Spiraling legal costs and new materials on the court decision will further increase the debt. It is imperative that this money be raised so that the case can proceed on firm financial footing.

Now is the time for the entire YSA, especially campus-based fractions and locals, to step up our efforts in behalf of the Mandel Case. In the remaining weeks of the spring semester, professors, other sympathetic individuals, student governments and campus groups must be systematically approached to contribute to the Mandel Case Legal Defense Fund. Experience has shown us that where we have organized this fund-raising conscientiously, large gains have been scored.

The key issue at stake in this case is the right of the university community to hear and discuss differing points of view without arbitrary interference from the government. Since this issue so obviously strikes at the heart of academic freedom, and can be closely linked to other campus struggles for freedom of speech, money can be fairly easily obtained on this premise. Assignments in this area should be made immediately, and money raised sent to the Mandel Case Legal Defense Fund, c/o NECLC, 25 East 26th Street, Room 913, New York, New York 10010.

Although the campuses are an excellent source of funds for this type of campaign, these funds must be collected by those who understand and can effectively motivate the relevance of the case to the academic community. YSAers are the main representatives of this case on the campuses and, therefore, have a major responsibility in raising funds for the Mandel Case Legal Defense Fund. We must bear out this responsibility knowledgeably and confidently, and pave the way for the next court victory.

Enclosed you will find copies of the recent New York Times editorial on the case, which will help in your fund-raising efforts.

Comradely,

Laura Miller

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YSA National Office

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#### MONDAY, MARCH 22, 1971

# No Barriers Against Ideas . . .

The Federal court ruling that Dr. Ernest E. Mandel, a noted Belgian Marxist scholar, could not be barred from delivering lectures or attending conferences in the United States upsets a repressive edict by Attorney General John N. Mitchell. In denying an entry visa to Dr. Mandel, the Justice Department embarrassed the United States rather than the applicant—a fact evidently understood by Secretary of State William P. Rogers, who had urged Mr. Mitchell to admit the scholar.

The case involved far more than the right of an individual who holds ideas abhorrent to Mr. Mitchell and probably to the majority of Americans. Fortress America was an image, long since abandoned, built on the mistaken ideology of military isolationism. Equally unacceptable in a free society is an intellectual fortress soundproofed against unpopular and even dangerous ideas, domestic or foreign.

The 2-1 ruling may, of course, be appealed to the Supreme Court. But for the moment the extraordinary significance of the opinion, written by District Court Judge John F. Dooling, lies in the fact that it holds unconstitutional important sections of the McCarran Act of 1952, that shameful legislation sired by cold war hysteria and passed over President Truman's veto.

The majority opinion, rejecting the counsel of fear, held that freedom of speech is abridged whenever unwarranted restrictions are placed on "open and wideranging debate." Freedom to hear thus is recognized as a vital ingredient of free assembly and free speech itself. This reaffirmation of a nation unafraid of free traffic in ideas, even beyond national boundaries, ought to set the scene for the too-long delayed elimination of the McCarren Act in its entirety.

P.O. Box 471 Cooper Station New York, N.Y. 10003

March 23, 1971

# TO ALL COMRADES

Dear Comrades,

The YSA National Office has assigned a comrade to coordinate Chicano and Latino liberation work nationally. This marks a big step forward for the YSA since this will be the first time that someone in the National Office has had as a major assignment this important area of our work.

It will be essential, if we are to keep on top of the many important events coming up in the Chicano and Puerto Rican movements, that comrades regularly send in reports not only on new developments, but also on the progress of work being carried out on a regular basis.

Comradely,

Mirta Vidal

National Chicano and Latino

Work Director

Mate Tark