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Steering Committee members present: Paul Lauter, Louis Kampf, Robert Zevin, Dick Ohman, Florence Howe, Dan Stern, Grace Paley, Frank Joyce, Dick Mumma, Paul Goodman, Hans Koningsberger, and Don Kalish. Also present were Saul Slapikoff, (Area person), Harry Bracken (Montreal Council to Aid War Resisters), David Worstell (Pittsburgh), Tony Avirgan (Phil. Resistance). From the office staff and Newsletter were Arlene Siegel, Carey Hatch and Chris Stevens.

I. FUNDRAISING REPORTS

- A. The cocktail party given in NEW YORK jointly by Grace Paley, Hans Koningsberger and Bob Zevin netted approx. \$2000 in contributions so far.
- B. Florence Howe reported on the results of the poetry reading. It did not gross the expected amount but perhaps the energized spirit makes up for that. Detroit and Chicago were complete busts, mostly for the lack of adequate preparation. Another disappointment was Calif. which used up the profits for travel expenses. It is expected that the profit will be around \$4000. There is also the possibility of money from the sales of tapes of the readings and also a possible anthology of this poetry.
- C. Carie Hatch told of progress on the direct fund raising mailing. We are sending the Call, Groups funded, Mary McGrory article and a cover letter to names rented from mailing lists of magazines expected to have a liberal constituency by the first week in June. The average returns are expected to be 2%, and a \$3.00 return for every \$1.00 invested (this may be higher because of the magazines selected). Investment is \$4000. The language of the cover letter was then discussed with only a few minor changes made.

II. REPORTS

- A. Bob estimates that his travels will be very worthwhile. He has extended his itinerary so that from Chicago he will head for Nashville. He expects to be back for the next Committee meeting to give a full report.
- B. Harry Bracken reported on Canada scene. The ADC and the Montreal Council lost their building. He spoke of the Government's technique of starving out deserters, and also brought up again the question of ADC recruiting deserters.

III. Lengthy Political DISCUSSION

Several relevant points were brought in this discussion dealing with the relation of the expanding interests and commitments of the Steering Committee members to the intent of the original call issued by RESIST. The following are some of the points considered. Out of the question of making a public statement based on growing needs of repressed groups came a proposal of a meeting to discuss people's acceptance and broadened support based on Davidson's statement. Considering reports coming in from Chicago re: action in a police active state, Resist is in a good position to explain and legitimize the revolutionary thrust. To engage in this type of a propaganda struggle we must set forth an analysis that would appeal to the protective instincts of the middle-class for the oppressed class, and at the same time get them away from the anti-American SDS line. There is the possibility of having fulfilled our historical function and now must deal directly with repression at its present level. If we do "progress," how will we go about bringing our constituency with us, and how will RESIST be accepted, ie. perhaps anti-repression groups are more anxious to form a political working relationship before accepting money. Would a procedure with a multi-issue analysis as a basis for a single issue commitment be sufficient?

GROUPS FUNDED

Center Rochester H.S. Student Union, New York for Mimeographing and postage

Groups funded, continued... (more on the bottom of the page)

Charlotte SSOC, North Carolina for rent, G.I. coffeehouse

ADC, Canada for office and food

Manchester College Group, Indiana for printing press

Young Lords Organization for press

SDS, National Office, Chicago for publication costs

REPORTS

a. The May action in Washington has become the June Action--the 17th and 18th. Paul met on Tuesday, the 27th with representatives from the other groups involved for co-ordinating purposes. Letters to contacts all over the country will be sent urging them to participate in Washington.

b. Dick Flacks' assailants have not been identified yet. (For a report on the assault, see the next issue of the Newsletter)

Bureau of Social Science Research is distributing a questionnaire around to twenty colleges dealing with the question of student disruption. Details on the implications of these detailed questionnaires will be in the next issue of the Newsletter, the point of this being to find out which campuses are involved so that efforts to urge non-cooperation can be made.

Next meeting in Cambridge on June 7th, Sat.

Groups funded (Part 3)

Peace Center at St. Louis, Mo. for office expenses and G.I. organizing

Draft Counselling Center, Bloomington, Indiana for office, literature and publicity

Alabama Movement Press for Seed money

STATEMENT-----MAY 15, 1969

BALANCE APRIL 11, 1969

3,750.77

DEPOSITS

PLEDGES	3,280.53	
CONTRIBUTIONS	1,838.67	
RESUBSCRIPTIONS	1,394.00	
LOAN FOR DIRECT MAILING FROM CLLDF	2,500.00	
TOTAL DEPOSITS		<u>9,013.20</u>
TOTAL TO MAY 15, 1969		<u>12,763.97</u>

100
200 400
75 150
350
100
(135)

DISBURSEMENTS

I. GRANTS

A. REGULAR GRANTS

SSOC	100.00	
Bill Bloom	101.15	
Black Panther Party	250.00	
The Resistance (Denver)	200.00	
Arkansas Peace Info Center	90.00	
The Resistance (Eugene)	200.00	
The Detroit Collective	500.00	
Bill Hart	208.00	
Oakland Draft Help	150.00	
El Grito Del Norte	700.00	
Young Patriots	200.00	
RESIST @ SMS	75.00	
South Bay Peace Center	25.00	
D C 9 Defense Committee	125.00	
Peacemakers	100.00	
P.I.S.S.	75.00	
		3,099.15

200
100
400
800 200
450
2910

B. EMERGENCY GRANTS

Rough Draft	40.00	
Bloomington Draft Project	100.00	
Cathy Wilkerson	110.00	
BDRG G. I. Project (loan)	85.00	
		335.00

40
40
30

TOTAL GRANTS

3,434.15

II. OPERATING EXPENSES

Payroll	922.74
Postage	996.80
Copying/Printing	8.26
Office Supplies	342.95
Office Maintenance	663.31
Travel Expenses	541.00
High School Kit	45.00
Week	189.00
Poetry Reading	412.68
Subscriptions	64.00
Taxes	824.09
M-14	123.32
Newsletter	108.00
Petty Cash	89.00
Buttons	30.97
May Action	15.45

TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSES

5,376.57

TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS

8,810.72

BALANCE MAY 15, 1969

3,953.25

ENCUMBERED

Rent	130.00
Telephone	200.00
Payroll	1,060.00
Direct Fund Raising Mailing	1,800.00
GRANTS	
El Grito Del Norte	350.00
Young Patriots	100.00
Peace Maker	100.00
P.I.S.S.	75.00

TOTAL ENCUMBERMENT

3,815.00

UNENCUMBERED BALANCE

138.25

Now - 2630
 Add - 1600

 4230
 less
 1900 - NY Party
 1900 - Poetry

 2300

1000

TOTAL ENCUMBERMENT

FUNDING REQUESTS FOR MAY 1969

	want	Sug	Grant
1. Greater Rochester High School Student Union, New York Seed money for mimeographing and postage	(100-150)	100	100
2. Peace Center at St. Louis, Mo. (Dan Bolef) For office expenses, travel, literature, G.I. parties, 2nd hand car.	(1000)	200/3 mos.	200/mo/3
3. Draft Counseling Center, Bloomington, Indiana. (sent emergency grant 4/21.) For office maintenance, literature and publicity.	(75/mo)	75/3 mos.	75/mo/3
4. Rev. Charles R. Swank, Littlestown, Pa. For add in Gettysburg newspaper. (George Hein awaiting more information)	(?)	?	
5. Alabama Movement Press Seed money	(700)	200	\$350
6. St. Louis Resistance Union To support continuing work. (Ken Hale looking into this.)	(50)	50	
7. Charlotte SSOC, North Carolina. (Over the past 3 months we funded them \$300.) To pay some bills; also rent, living expenses for 2 organizers, G.I. coffee-house.	(300 + 200/5)	300 + 200/2	100
8. Movement Bookstore, Lexington, Kentucky Seed money for Office maintenance	(235)		(135)
9. ADC--Canada (we funded them \$100 in March.) For office maintenance, newsletter, mailings, food, travel.	(1180)		200
10. Ann Arbor Printing Co-op, Michigan Seed money--for offset press.	?		
11. Resistance, Flint, Michigan Seed money. (Ken Hale awaiting specific request and information)			
12. Resistance, San Francisco. (Ken Hale awaiting specific request and information) Support their continuation	(200)		
13. "Rough Draft" (Emergency grant sent in April) Norfolk, Va. For GI newspaper			
14. Resistance, Denver, Colorado. (Has received \$200 of \$300 grant) Continued support	(?)		
15. Catholic Peace Fellowship, WASHINGTON, D. C. General Request			

16. Manchester College - Printing press - 4 x 200 Rpt 150 / 100

17. P. L. Special project (300) 400

18. Young Lords (1300 + 400/2) 800 + 400 + 200

19. Wildcat (600) X

20. SDS - NO (Printing) (450) 450

21. Rainbow Coalition (300-400)

22. Concord Resistance (100)

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