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AUGUST RESIST MEETING
New York City, September 12, 1971
(USSF Office)

Present: Robert Zevin, Frank Joyce, Wendy Batson, Florence Howe, Shawn Donovan, Jennifer Riley, Barry Wingard, Dick Ohmann, Paul Lauter, Louis Kampf, Barbara Webster, Michele Russell, Grace Paley, Mitch Goodman, Bell Chevigny, Blue Chevigny, Bill Davidson, Jim Anderson of Malcolm X United Liberation Front.

Staff Report: Shawn is leaving the staff as of the end of September, and Todd Manley has been hired to take his place.

Financial Report: Current balance plus projected income less projected encumbrances leaves us with a projected balance of \$1,018.17. This means we have about \$1,000 for grants.

Malcolm X United Liberation Front: Michele suggested that we approach the Cummings Foundation to fund groups like the Front - groups in extreme and repressive situations which need funding on a larger scale and for a longer period of time than Resist can manage. ~~MEM~~ MICHELE! will talk to Ivanhoe Donaldson about funding Malcolm X. STAFF will send Michele copies of all our material on the Front.

George Wald, Hans Koningsberger and Susie Groden will be approached to work on a speaking tour on campuses this fall to publicize the situation of MXULF in Florida. FRANK JOYCE! will contact Wald about this.

Fundraising: Robert Zevin is still distributing names to SC people; these names should be contacted as soon as possible. Zevin suggested we contact people who subscribed within the past year.

An add in the New York Times was suggested to raise money. BILL DAVIDSON? will approach Richard DuBoff (Bryn Mawr College) and Ed Herman (U. of Penn.) about drafting a statement concerning the Pentagon Papers, contrasting Johnson administration officials' public vs. private comments, to be used as a text for the ad.

Dick Ohmann and Louis Kampf suggested an event-watchers committee, to be responsible for placing an ad for Resist in the paper immediately after a crisis, thereby avoiding Resist Bureaucracy.

Suggested lists to be used for a future mass mailing: Anti-HUAC for East and Mid-west, WIN, Liberation, I.F. Stone Weekly. STAFF! will approach Carrie Hatch about handling the mailing, BARBARA WEBSTER! will ask Linda Forest if she wants to do it. (or Staff will do same, if Barbara will send them her phone or address)

Paul suggested we send extra copies of the newsletter to different sections of the mailing list (ie upstate NY, Pa., Ohio) along with return envelopes. He also suggested we select a few names of sole subscribers in one area and send extra copies with a plea to drum up more subscribers.

A subscription campaign should be done in January.

Fundraising Cont:

Regarding advertizements for the Security Kit, various people suggested the following journals or newspapers: radical law journals, URPE newsletter, newsletter of the Medical Comm. for Human Rights, TRANsaction, a daily philadelphia newsletter for lawyers (Bill DAVIDON will send as a copy), WBAI portfolio, and KPFA portfolio, Science for People, (Ethan Signer @ MIT for more information).

Staff will contact Robin Pffiefer about doing graphics for the ad. Grace PALEYX will contact Jules Pffiefer about using one of his cartoons and Bill DAVIDON will write the text for the ad.

RESIST MAGAZINE IDEA:

There was a general discussion about the idea of RESIST putting out a magazine on the order of VIET-REPORT which would be a discussion of the repressive apparatus, analysis of political direction throughout the country, and the prison situation, rights and organizing. Until we hear differently, we should assume that NACLA-West is doing this sort of thing.

Staff and others will talk with Nick Eggleston about the concept.

~~Tradition and Magazine/Newspaper Ad:~~

Staff will choose 4-5 groups we have funded in the past substantially and send it to Paul LAUTER to work into a covering letter for a Fall mass mailing

WEST COAST SCENE: Paul Lauter reported on his recent trip. Ken Cloke of the Military Intelligence group ~~xxx~~ is doing an analysis of California National Guard and will distribute it nationally as a model for further studies. In San Diego, the Institute for the Study of Non-Violence is ~~xx~~ organizing a freedom vote around the issue of the departure of the USS Constellation for Vietnam. Reported that the '72 Republican Convention is to be held in San Diego.

Paris: Frank Joyce on his visit to Paris and his talks with the PRG representatives at the Negotiations about their 7 Point Plan and about Nixon's ~~visit~~ visit to China. The Vietnamese believe that their Peace Plan should be the focus of the American Left and that internal events in the U. S. have distracted the movement from the war (namely: the wage/price freeze and Nixon's trip.). The vietnamese had a great deal of criticism for the slogans "out now!" and "bring the troops home now!" as essentially racist and beside the point. They ignore the real political situation in Vietnam, say nothing about ~~man~~-the one man election. The Vietnamese believe that the american people know more about the political situation in South Viet nam than the movement gives them credit for; they see the movement's emphasis on the military situation instead of the political a tragic mistake. Frank JOYCE will write up a leaflet about the 7 Point Peace Plan for the Danbury Demonstration. Barry Wingard will talk to Tom Davidson about having speakers at the demonstration push the PRG Peace proposal.

ICDP: Bill Davidon attended their August conference said that they were generally angry at the lack of publicity given the conference. Peggy Duff took the position that ICDP should adopt a different direction in the future, other than

solely disarmament.

Regarding the Absolutely Final Call To Resist Illegitimate Authority:

Claudette Piper will be asked to peruse the draft for Point 6 and write another and Staff will have the Call printed.

General Discussion on NAM: Paul Lauter said he thought NAM was faulty because of the background of its originators, i.e. having no organizing experience other than the Seattle Liberation Front conspiracy trial. ZEVIN added that he thought a national structure built on the present movement is insane, over intellectual, with no organizing experience. He felt it better at this time to push community organizing, food coops, etc. NAM at present is an irrelevant abstract ideological discussion, what we need is a conference of working class projects. PAUL, MICHELLE, FRANK, AND LOUIS will ~~quickly~~ get together and write a response.

AUGUST FUNDING REQUESTS GRANTED

Genessee Co-op. Rochester, New York \$70.00 for two months.

Women's Educational & Recreational Fund, Inc. Fayetteville, North Carolina \$130.00 for three months.

The Jackson Human Rights Project. Jackson, Mississippi. \$300.00 (Sept.) \$200.00 (Oct.) \$100.00 (Nov.)

Committee of Conscience, Waterbury, Connecticut. \$100.00 contingent on not being able to get it from the Harrisburg Defense Fund.

Malcolm X United Liberation Front. Tallahassee, Florida. \$230.00 for three months minus cost of phone bills made on our phone.

Hard Times. Worcester, Mass. \$150.00

Kennisington Draft Information Center. Philadelphia, Pa. \$150.00

Oct. 17 next meeting - 11:00 - New York

112 W. 81 Street
Belle's house

Resist Financial Statement for August-September 1971

July 31 balance

\$2,914.46

Income for August-September 10

pledges	\$2,634.76
contributions	1,755.64
mass mailing	65.00
security kit	66.00
subscriptions	22.00
high school kit	11.40
miscellaneous	288.16
	<u>\$4,832.96</u>

Disbursements

grants	\$4,733.00
payroll	1,005.25
maintenance	574.43
travel	360.00
taxes	213.48
printing	97.40
postage	96.35
petty cash	70.00
(xeroxing)	(45.00)
	<u>\$7,153.41</u>

current check book amount (September 10 balance)

\$ 595.17

Encumbrments for Sept. - Oct.

grants (for sure)	\$ 585.00
grants (possibly)	750.00
payroll	1,400.00
maintenance	275.00
travel	125.00
postage	300.00
printing	100.00
advertising sec. kit	50.00
taxes	100.00
	<u>\$3,735.00</u>

Sources of projected income for Sept-Oct.

pledges	\$2,500.00
contrib.	1,500.00
security kit	150.00
	<u>\$4,150.00</u>

current balance plus projected income less projected encumbrments leaves us with a projected balance of \$1,010.17. Depending on fundraising efforts (possibly another mailing?) the most we can grant is \$1,000.00-\$1,100.00 .

AUGUST FUNDING REQUESTS

✓ 1. American Documentary Films. New York. Need \$1,000.00 to run a minority staff training program for three months.

\$ 70/70
2. Genessee Co-op. Rochester, NY. Could use \$140.00 for rent.

0/150/150/150
3. Women's Educational & Recreational Fund, Inc. Fayetteville, North Carolina. Need \$300 x 3 to meet half basic expenses of a collective of women doing anti-war organizing on Fort Bragg.

300/200/100
4. The Jackson Human Rights Project. Jackson, Mississippi. Anything towards the \$453.00 a month it takes to run several community projects.

(100)
5. Committee of Conscience. Waterbury, Connecticut. Need \$100.00 to pay off debt.

post gone
6. Shanti Community Book Shop. Fresno, Cal. Some amount of money to pay off movement publishers.

✓ 7. Citizens commission of inquiry on US War Crimes in Vietnam. NYC. Money, contacts for fund raising, a mailing, etc.

✓ 8. New American Movement. Berkeley, Cal. Need \$500.00 for printing expenses.

250/250/250
9. Malcolm X United Liberation Front. Tallahassee, Florida. Up to \$595.00 a month storefront costs.

USSR/Lifton
10. RE-ENTRY. Springfield, Mass. \$300.00 x 6 to keep project going while waiting for foundation money.

11. National Lawyers Guild. NYC. \$1,000.00 to assemble and print a booklet on San Quentin and the killing of George Jackson.

\$ 150
12. Kensington Draft Counseling

\$ 150
13. Worcester Mass., w.c. collective

21. The Economic Research Alliance, St. Petersburg, Florida. \$400 for office space, typewriter rental, adding machine, telephone. Research on drug traffic in St. Petersburg

P. St. Petersburg

22. Free Chinatown Committee, Boston. Anything for paper (People's South End News), Leaflets, Films, Photography Workshop, Rent, Phone - \$210. Campaign against Tufts New England Medical Center, center for street gangs.

23. Resurrection City - People's Farm, Browns, Alabama. \$500 for tractor, seeds(?) to expand Socialist Farmer Collective - providing food for the Black Panther Breakfast Program.

24. New American Movement, Berkeley. \$500 for printing costs of policy statement (pamphlet).

25. ACTION-AMRAM Project, Philadelphia. \$450 (\$150 for costs of printing and mimeographing, \$150 for 2 months for legal costs, telephone, legal and financial research, continued printing costs.). At Action Manufacturing Inc. - ordinance manufacturer.

26. National Black United Front, Cairo, Illinois. \$300 for office equipment (over 6 months), \$480 for telephone (over 6 months). Aid in maintaining support office for the Front in St. Louis.

27. Military Law Project, Seaside, Calif. for material (paper) and filing fees for GI legal writs (cost: \$40 - \$60 each).

28. The Ally, Berkeley. \$350 for next issue.

30. Boston SOS, \$500 for GI calendar, sales from which will be base of funds for Boston SOS.

31. Fred Branfman

will guarantee, but...

32. Fed Up!, Tacoma, Washington

33. Common Sense

34. SIBARO

35. Earth Onion

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