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Resist Board Meeting, Feb. 23, 1975

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Office Report- Wayne gave a report on the February Newsletter. A criticism of some complex terminology in Bob piece was but forth with the suggestion that a glossary be added in such cases. The March newsletter was taken up. Larry and Joan will work on it. Possible articles were discussed. Louie suggested a piece dealing with the danger of fascism with the economic failure with a historic background of how it happened in the past. Hank offered to address himself to that question and formulate an anarchist position from it for the April newsletter. Larry stated the Frank has a piece promised which would probably deal with the possibilities of fascism. Larry suggested a piece on the Puerto Rican conference which is taking place this weekend for the newsletter, no one objected. Bob promised to try and get the piece on unemployment by Piven.

People talked about an Economic conference in Philadelphia this weekend, a demonstration by deaeters in Washington marking the last day of clemency; and a Socialist teachers conference in New York all this weekend.

Mailing were taken up. APA mailing is doing good. Linguist mailing was stuffed at the meeting and will be posted this week. The CLLDF part of the big mailing will be stuffed this week, that 2000 pieces so if any can help we urge you to do so, the USSF list we are still waiting for, Bob will continue to try to contact them, the HAI list is waiting Ken Coplans return which should be sometime this week.

Eileen asked permission to use financial reports and proposals for work experience credits at school and it was given.

A prisoners group out of the Red Book who are starting up a newsletter for prisoners asked for our prisoners list and people agreed.

Bob was asked for any information on troop movements to South East Asia and said he had nothing new but would watch for any developments.

Paul via Louie made a recommendation that we consider affiliation with a coalition of folks who make up the assembly to save the peace agreement and asked if McCauliffe from AFSC could come and talk with us about it at the next meeting in New York, people agreed to have him come.

Staff asked for a raise from $115 to $130 and it was granted.

Financial Report- Louie wanted to know what the Service Charge is and people suggested we open a $5 saving account if it means free checking, staff promised to look into it. Wayne stated that we shouldn’t feel that we have to spend all our money this month just because there’s plenty.

Noam expounded on the Middle East, discussed the liberal expansionist ideology and its irrationality and how that conflicts with the conservative business interests. The nature of the PLO was discussed and some time spent on the internal domestic situation in Israel. At the end of the discussion we decided to run two articles in the newsletter by Noam, one on foreign policy and another on the domestic internal situation. The staff will shorten the article that was already sent out to people then send it to Noam for additions or deletions.

The next meeting was set for the 23rd of March in New York. A place hasn’t yet been established.
Dear Folks,

This month's meeting will be held at Hank Rosemont's home at 183 Waltham Street in Lexington. The meeting will begin around noon time on Sunday, February 23. The reason why the meeting is not in New York this month is because the educational on prisons could not be arranged. Hopefully, either the March or April meeting will be devoted to a discussion of prison organizing.

As per our decision at last month's meeting, a tentative agenda is being sent out with the announcement in order to let people better judge whether they should travel from out of town to come to the meeting. As of last month, we are again giving out travel money, but have decided that "significant" or "important" matters, other than funding decisions, would be taken up at every third meeting in New York. This month's agenda will include:

I. Financial and Office Report - money is still coming in; mailings are in the mail or about to go; the staff is going to ask for a raise.
II. Requests - relatively few requests have come in at this point; those that have come in are:
   a- ATOH Committee
   b- Women's Counseling Center
   c- Roberta Johnson
   d- Tax/Welfare Advocacy Project
   e- Spanish Refugee Aid, Inc. (request for the list)
   f- Vietnam Resource Center (request for mailing list)
   g- American Friends Service Committee project on children's education

Of course, there will also be the old hold overs like People's Town Hall and Hand, Inc. Telephone calls have promised more requests, but we are still waiting for people to submit the requests in writing.

III. Educational on the Mid-East- Enclosed is an article by Noam Chomsky, scheduled for publication in Le Monde Diplomatique. Noam will be at the meeting and (pick one) (a) lead, (b) conduct, (c) participate in; an educational on the present situation in that part of the world. In order to facilitate discussion, it is asked that all those coming to the meeting at least read the enclosed.

If people have questions, or know that they will be coming to the meeting and need transportation to Hank's house, please get in touch with the staff as soon as possible. More requests should be coming in, and articles and suggestions are needed for the March newsletter. Hope to see all of you then.

Struggling,

The staff

The Rosemonts' telephone number is 617-861-8568.
Balance as of January 19th $1821.54

Income for the period 1/19 to 2/20
Pledges $2064.00
Contributions $1237.00
Subscriptions $2565.00
APA Mailing $258.00
Misc $305.00
TOTAL $6429.00

Outgo for the period 1/19 to 2/20
Taxes $228.48
Payroll $904.70
Grants $3225.00
Postage $320.00
Travel $130.00
Printing $266.61
Office & Petty Cash $340.68
TOTAL $5415.47

Balance as of February 20 $2805.37 (Bank Service Charge 29.70)

Encumbrances for the next month
Rent & Utilities $150.00
Phone $90.00
Payroll $800.00
Taxes $300.00
Mailing House $132.00 for Jan. & Feb., newsletter
Postage $250.00 newsletter & pledge letter
Subscription for LUS $20.00
Printing $135.00 newsletter & pledge letter
Continuing Grants $120.00
Large Mailing Costs
Printing $232.00
Envelopes $246.00
Postage $544.00
TOTAL $3019.00

Income for the month to come-
Pledges $2000.00
Contributions $1000.00
Subscriptions $250.00
APA Mailing $100.00
Linguistics Mailing $100.00
TOTAL $3450.00

Our current balance, plus projected income, minus projected expenses will leave us about $3200.00 for Grants. Internews still owes us $500 and promised to start paying it back in April.
REQUESTS FOR FEBRUARY

1. Hand Inc. - Hank
2. Roberta Johnson - Larry
3. Lowell Communicator & Tenants Action Group - Wayne
4. Boston Attica Project - Hilde
5. Draft Counseling - Bob
6. Pacific Counseling Service - Bob
7. Black Military Resistance League - Bob
8. Veterans Service Association - Bob
9. American Friends Service Committee - Eileen
10. African Peoples Socialist Party - Eileen
11. Dominican Workers Group - Eileen
12. WREP Workers - Bob
13. Howard E. Marston Sr. - Eileen
14. Friends of Haiti

LIST
1. Spanish Refugee Aid Inc. - Larry
2. Vietnam Resource Center - Wayne
REQUESTS

1. Hand Inc. - Has been held over many months. Dick Ohmann promised to contact them.

2. Roberta Johnson - She was denied a grant on the basis that we don't fund individuals and the document she prepared on Puerto Rico wasn't considered good.

3. Lowell Communicator & Tenants Action Group - They were postponed for two reasons, first they have a request in at the Haymarket Foundation and second there was a political question about their real base in the community. Wayne will meet with them.

4. Boston Attica Project - was denied on the bases that they ought to be able to get funds either from CLLDF or the national office, or the Constitutional Law Center in New York. Their independence from the National Committee was questioned and Hilde will pursue the reasons for it. If they are unable to get fund they may come back to us.

5. & 6. are temporarily lost on route, both the staff and Bob at either end will keep a look out for them.

7. Black Military Resistance League - Postponed until Bob can write and ask them what sort of active work they are involved with.

8. Veterans Service Association - postponed until Bob can write and get a more detailed explanation of what their about.

9. American Friends Service Committee - They were asked to explore other funding sources in Denver, and also Eileen will write to them asking for more content of their work and what particular constituency they are planning to address themselves to.

10. African People's Socialist Party - Louie will write to a friend he knows in Gainesville to update their credibility in the area.

11. Dominican Workers Group - were given $370

12. WREP Workers - Bob will check for the request, and the staff will also try to locate it.

13. Howard Marston - Louie will write nice put off letter to him.

14. Friends of Haite - were given $300 times 3 for an 8mm film to be transferred to a 16mm.

LISTS - Both Spanish Refugee Aid Inc. and Vietnam Resource Center were given use of our list in exchange for their lists.