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—from A Call to Resist Illegitimate Authority

Minutes of the June, 1981 Meeting

Dear Resisters,

We met on June 6th at Franks in Somerville. Present were Louis, George, Dorothy, Kate, Paul, and Frank.

The NEXT MEETING will be on July 19th at 11 am at Louis's. This will be primarily for Boston people (though all are welcome of course), and will just be to handle grants. The FOLLOWING MEETING will be in New York on Sept. 13 at George's at 11 am.

At the June meeting we made the following grants:

1. Miners for Safe Energy, South Dakota -- \$250 to help cover costs in showing/distributing their film on uranium mining, etc.
2. United League of Holmes County, Mississippi -- \$200 for general support.
3. Buffalo News Letter, Buffalo, NY -- \$100 to help with the next issue; and some suggestions/encouragement for developing local financing.
4. The Cleveland Beacon, Cleveland, OH -- \$250 matching grant to help purchase the typewriter they had been renting.
5. Boston Clamshell, Boston, Mass. -- \$400 over two months to pay for one staff person to help get new organizing campaign going.
6. Guatemala Solidarity Committee (NYC) -- \$150 and some advice about distribution to help increase circulation.

We also put aside some money pending further checking out:

1. Those United to Fight Fascism (TUFF), (Ohio) -- up to \$300.
2. Renters Rights Project (Boulder, CO) -- \$125.

We turned down:

1. Pacific Studies Center -- they have a very big budget, and their library brochure was not a priority for us.
2. Health Policy Advisory Center -- We had not received further details on their budget project, but felt that they could find other sources of money for this.
3. Workers' Rights Project, Washington -- further information had not arrived; pp.
4. RECON -- We did not like their pamphlet, and did not think people would find it helpful.
5. Center for Constitutional Rights -- We could not make supporting their suit around the war powers act a priority, but offered a newsletter article.
6. Communist Workers Party, NYC -- we did not think travel expenses for Dori Blitz to the NWSA convention was a priority for us. (over)

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Further rejections:

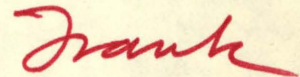
7. Indochina Aid and Friendship Project (Boston) -- We did not think contributing to Long's moving expenses was appropriate for us, that other local support could be found; but we will do a newsletter article on this.
8. Media Access Training and Assistance Unit -- (We had supported this before under the name, "People's Office of Communication"); we did not think that a small grant would make an impact on such a big, general budget; but encouraged a future application for a pilot project or some smaller, specific project.

That's it for now. Our financial situation is fair; better than usual for the summer, but we expect to be lucky if income covers expenses over the summer. But a contributors mailing will go out soon; and we should have enough money for September grants and fall fundraising mailings.

Finally, here are the almost-complete results of the mailings we did this winter and spring. We mailed to the following lists: Radical America, Radical Teacher, WIN, The Progressive, and Marxist Perspectives. We broke even or better on all but the Progressive mailing, which lost us about \$400. We had a surplus, for all the mailings, of about \$900, and have added almost 200 contributors to our mailing list. The average contribution was just under \$20. WIN was the best list, with a 4% return. We plan to do more mailings in the fall, starting in late September.

That's all for now. Today's news brings the Supreme Court decision allowing male-only draft registration, and a few days ago the Justice Department mailed out its first (tiny) batch of letters to people it thinks haven't registered for the draft. So we will be getting busy, I expect.

Best wishes,



Frank Brodhead

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Dear Resisters,

We will be meeting on SAT. JUNE 6 at FRANK BRODHEAD'S AT 11 am -- 277 Highland Ave., Somerville -- 776-0588.

These are the grant requests we have received so far:

- No* 1. Pacific Studies Center (CA) -- \$250 for library brochures. *low priority*
- yes \$250* 2. Miners for Safe Energy (SD) -- \$395.48 for traveling film campaign. *yes* ☐ *P*
- No* 3. Health Policy Advisory Center (NY) -- help with translation of Reagan budget (more details requested). *Can get from mainline*
- Yes \$200* 4. United League of Holmes County (MS) -- general support - several projects. *- ? P*
- Post* 5. Workers Rights Project (WA) -- \$500 for leaflet on workers' rights (asked for more info). *\$140* *P*
- No* 6. RECON Publications (PA) -- \$300 for organizing manual - we now have a copy. *- ?*
- maybe - \$200 125* 7. Renters' Rights Project (CO) -- reconsideration of \$400 request for door-to-door campaign - we have received more info. *P*
- Article* 8. Center for Constitutional Rights (NY) -- part of \$44,000 toward the suit against Presidential lawmaking in El Salvador. *No*
- No* 9. Communist Workers Party (NY) -- help to send Dori Elitz from Va. to Conn. for convention "Women Respond to Racism." *No*

We have several others which are more incomplete and waiting for additional information.

*? North Star
Print*

Dorothy

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UPDATES AND NEW GRANTS

- 2. Miners for Safe Energy -- a little more info.
- 4. United League of Holmes County -- a lot more info.
- 7. Renters' Rights Project -- follow up.
- 10. Buffalo Newsletter -- \$ 400 for next publication late June. — more info
- 11. Those United to Fight Fascism (TUFF) --(OH)-- general support. — part of a fraction?
Need contact
- 12. Indochina Aid and Friendship Project (MA) -- part of \$300 for support of Ngo
Vinh Long. ?
- 13. Cleveland Beacon -- \$500 to reduce monthly deficit. — could be / no.
- 14. Boston Clamshell -- general support for staffperson salaries.
- 15. Media Access Training and Assistance Unit (MATAU) general support for Bill Worthy
and associates.
- 16. Guatemala Solidarity (NY) -- \$500 to upgrade weekly info. sheet and subscriptions.

Progressive Technology Co. (Fla) -- record store collapse.

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