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—from A Call to Resist Illegitimate Authority

ATTENTION: BOARD MEETING ON JUNE 13th, 10:00AM AT GEORGE VICKERS'
205 W. 19th ST, 6th FLOOR, NEW YORK, NY (212)741-0545

Following is a list of grant proposals we have received for review at this meeting:

1. Washington Prison News Service (Washington State Penitentiary, Walla Walla, Washington) - Any sum of money to keep this newsletter, a collective effort among inmates at several prisons in Washington state, afloat i.e. printing, postage. Am pol. content?
 2. Central American Solidarity Association (CASA, Boston, Mass) \$200.00 to supplement stipend for summer finance coordinator. yes !!
 3. International Seminars on Training for Nonviolent Action (ISTNA, Boston, MA) - 500.00 for production of a study guide presenting material and bibliographies on nonviolent alternatives to the arms race. yes
 4. Everyday Theatre (Washington, D.C.) - \$250.00 for producing a general brochure for the company. yes
 5. Long Beach Housing Action Association (Long Beach, CA 90814) - Any part of general budget to support development of "Tenant counseling/organizing program." no
 6. Coalition of Labor Union Women (Seattle, WA 98121) - Any part of \$420.00 to sustain a subscription drive, aimed towards self-sufficiency, for their newsletter FOCUS IN. no
 7. WIN magazine (Brooklyn, NY) - They will be sending us a proposal any day now requesting funds for production of a broadcast quality film on civil disobedience. They have already been turned down by several foundations which traditionally fund video projects. no
 8. Parallel Films (NYC) - We are also expecting a proposal from this group, the producer of "We Are the Guinea Pigs" a film about Three Mile Island, for a grant to pay for editing costs of a film on the history of the arms race called "Death Watch." no
- Third World/Grassroots Peoples Coalition for June 12 (NYC) - still waiting to hear. x
That's it folks. See you all on the 13th if not sooner.

Meredith
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P.S. Please RSVP to George if you'll be attending the meeting in NYC so he'll know how many people to expect.

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1. Washington Prison News Service ___Y, ___N, ___MAYBE. COMMENTS:

2. CASA ___Y, ___N, ___MAYBE. COMMENTS:

3. ISTNA ___Y, ___N, ___MAYBE. COMMENTS:

4. Everyday Theatre ___Y, ___N, ___MAYBE. COMMENTS:

5. LBHAA ___Y, ___N, ___MAYBE. COMMENTS:

6. CLUW ___Y, ___N, ___MAYBE. COMMENTS:

7. WIN ___Y, ___N, ___MAYBE. COMMENTS:

8. Parallel Films ___Y, ___N, ___MAYBE. COMMENTS:

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Resist Board Meeting: June 13, 1982

Present were Louis, Pam, Paul, Frank B., Amanda, Meredith, Grace, George, Dick O. and proxies were received from Kate, Hans and Bell.

Here are the minutes from the June 13th meeting. It was exciting to see everyone in NYC, and thanks George for the space and the wonderful food. We had nine grant applications, gave money to six, rejected three and loaned money, also, to one organizations we made a grant to. Total amount granted was \$1400.00

GRANTS:

1. Washington Prison News Service (Seattle, WA) - \$200.00 to cover costs of printing, postage of newsletter. Will also refer to McKenzie River Gathering.
2. CASA (Boston, MA) - \$200.00 for part of funding of summer staff person.
3. ISTNA (Waltham, MA) \$200.00 grant/ \$200.00 loan for typesetting and other costs for preparing study guide on non-violent defense alternatives for publication.
4. Everyday Theater (Washington, D.C.) - \$250.00 for total cost of brochure since it seemed an important tool for their ongoing work.
7. Feminist film on non-violent civil disobedience (NYC) - \$300.00 for post-production costs of film. Grace felt this was a good project and recommended the film-makers.
9. Third World and Progressive People's Coalition (NYC) - \$250.00. Although organizations participating in this coalition are generally separatist and do not have a good line on women, we felt their work done within the peace movement for June 12 merited support.

REJECTIONS:

5. Long Beach Housing Action (Long Beach, CA) - Although they seem to be doing good work, the board felt that their budget was too large and they did not seem to have a clear enough plan for getting themselves together.
6. CLUW (Seattle, WA) - Because CLUW decided to align themselves with the unions rather than the women's movement when they formed, the board felt that the \$ they were requesting should come from the locals.
8. Parallel Films (NYC) - Budget too big and Resist does not usually give money for production costs. Also people being interviewed for the film seemed too mainline.

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OTHER ISSUES:

Rent - Radical America has agreed to pay \$60.00/mo. in rent until they are able to pay a full half of the rent which comes to \$80.00 per month.

Mailings - We are looking for new mailing lists for initial direct mail fundraising. If anyone has any suggestions contact Amanda or Meredith at the office. Also the suggestion was made to mail to the Resist list when the draft prosecutions begin.

Newsletter - Next issue, August/September, will focus on June 12. Frank is writing a piece with general criticisms, Amanda will be writing on the Anti-draft Festival which took place on June 13, and Meredith is doing a piece on the feminist presence on the 12th and 14th. Also included will be Frank's review of Ed Herman's book on state terrorism. In future issues of the newsletter we hope to include articles with general criticisms of the Freeze Campaign and an article by George on the Truong case. There's also a question of challenging the agent identities act. George is going to talk to The Nation and others about doing this. We raised the question of whether to continue publishing the newsletter ten times per year and there was general agreement that we should.

Tax Exmpt Status - We^{all} considering the possibility of setting up a tax exempt fund for the purpose of receiving cheaper mailing costs at the post office and also providing away for those who would like to make larger contributions to take a deduction on their taxes. There are several ways this could be done: RA has been considering making the Alternative Education Project tax exempt, we could join with them in this. Other suggestions were to revive the Civil Liberties Legal Defense Fund, or to work under the tax exempt fund of the Institute for New Communications. Paul had reservations about us establishing our own or a new fund since this wouldn't necessarily mean that we will receive tax exemption from the post office. Also, he felt that would invite government scrutiny of our financial records and our activities that we do not want. So we will be checking into already existing funds. If anyone has additional suggestions let us know.

Financial Report - as of the meeting we had \$6000.00 in the bank. We gave away about \$1400.00 at the meeting and should be able to grant another \$2000.00 in August. We are planning a mailing for post labor day. With pledges coming in monthly we should do well through the summer.

That's all this time around. Pam Chamberlain has offered her house in Cambridge, MA for the next board meeting which will be Sunday, August 1st. Take care and have a good summer.

My best,

Meredith