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July 26, 1985

Dear Resist Board Member,

As briefly discussed at the July board meeting, it seems we'll have to have an interim Board Meeting in August. By July 19th (one month before the next deadline for proposals for the scheduled Sept 15 meeting) we'd already received 20 proposals. Therefore, Meredith and I decided that we should call a smaller meeting for:

August 15th - 6:30 pm (tentative)
at the Resist office

Several board members will be available as well as two of the staff and we'll be looking at ten of the proposals (listed below). I won't be sending out complete board packets to all of the board members, just to those who have said they can make the meeting. If you'd like, though, I'll send you the August packet upon request and, of course, you'll get the minutes of the meeting. You can also look forward to the September meeting packet toward the end of August. It might be pretty hefty but, hopefully, not as big as it would be without the interim meeting.

Grants

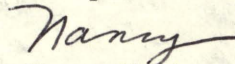
- 1) International Network Against New State Repression (Chicago, IL) - Request for funding for office expenses, organizing travel expenses and mailing costs for their publication. More info later.
- 2) New Mexico Peace Education Fund (Santa Fe) - \$255 request for cost of tapes for their 30-min. radio program for the 40th Anniversary of Hiroshima, August 6th.
- 3) Mass. Safe Energy Education Fund (Boston) - \$700 for education/organizing project on issue of low-level waste disposal in Mass. (This Fund is the tax-exempt entity of Mass. Nuclear Referendum.)
- 4) New England Conference on First Strike Policy (Boston) - \$500 towards expenses of 2-day conference by this N.E.-wide coalition of peace and disarmament groups (WILFP, Mobe, Catholic Connection, DAN, AFSC etc.)
- 5) Michigan Coalition for Human Rights (Detroit) - \$600 for reprinting their brochure for Krugerrand educational project started 1/85.

(continued)

- 6) PLACA (San Francisco, CA) - Postponed from July meeting. They're asking for grant of \$500 for a fundraising drive.
- 7) Commonworks Pamphlets (New Haven, CT) - Request for \$250 for production of a Spanish version of their pamphlet "Draft Registration and You".
- 8) Philippines Workers Support Committee/Boston - Asking for grant of \$300 for expenses of Boston/Cambridge part of nationwide tour of Philippine trade unionists scheduled for Sept.-Nov. 1985
- 9) American Disabled for Accessible Public Transportation (ADAPT) - (Denver, CO) - \$600 for telephone calls incurred in organizing disabled activists nationwide to participate in protest in LA, CA in October.
- 10) Bienville House (Baton Rouge, LA) - \$400 for repair and maintenance of Offset machine of this movement building of the peace and justice community.

If, by chance, you're in the Boston area around August 15th and would like to attend the meeting, please call me. Otherwise, we hope to hear from you and/or see you at the September board meeting. Have a good August!

For peace and justice,



Nancy Moniz

Resist staff

Proxy sheet - August 15th board meeting

1) INANSR Y ____ N ____ M ____

2) New Mexico Peace Education Fund Y ____ N ____ M ____

3) Mass. Safe Energy Education Fund Y ____ N ____ M ____

4) N.E. Conference on First Strike Policy Y ____ N ____ M ____

5.) Michigan Coalition for Human Rights Y ____ N ____ M ____

6) PLACA Y ____ N ____ M ____

7) Commonworks Pamphlets Y ____ N ____ M ____

8) Philippines Workers Support Committee/Boston Y ____ N ____ M ____

9) ADAPT Y ____ N ____ M ____

10) Bienville House Y ____ N ____ M ____

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present
Business

** A request by the Honduras Information Center to use the Resist donor list for a fundraising mailing in November was approved.

** Board search report - a board member "job description" was written by Ken H., Kate, Ken T., Meredith and Nancy. (Extra copies available at office) The notices were sent out to a MfS list of some 100 organizations in the greater Boston area. We've worked out a timeline toward final recommendations to be presented to the board in late November.

** Space search report - A letter has been written alerting folks of our need for a new home. The notice will be sent to a list of some 700 individuals and groups in the area. We've also set up a meeting with Resist, Dollars and Sense, Radical America, Mobilization for Survival, Grassroots International, Science for the People and Haymarket (all interested in talking about buying a building) for Sept. 5th. More info at the Sept. board meeting.

Next board meeting, Sept. 15 at Tess Ewing's, 1104 Auburn St., Cambridge.

GRANTS

6) PLACA (San Francisco, CA) - \$500 for their fundraising campaign. We asked for color photos of some of their murals.

7) Commonworks Pamphlets (New Haven, CT) - \$250 for production of the Spanish version of their draft pamphlet.

8) Philippines Workers Support Committee/Boston - \$400 to cover expenses for Boston part of national tour of Philippine labor leaders. Concern was expressed that this tour will be in Boston at the beginning of Oct. and the C.A. labor leaders toward the end. They'll see if there's anything they can do about scheduling.

9) ADAPT (Denver, CO) - \$300 of the \$600 requested for organizing demo in LA against Transport Company there. We thought they did good work and granted half even though they seem to be a single-issue organization.

10) Bienville House (Baton Rouge, LA) - \$400 for repair and maintenance of their offset press.

Postponment

5) Michigan Coalition for Human Rights (Detroit) - Need more information on their other projects and work and also some clarification on their fundraisings since it seems they could raise more \$\$\$. We'll see this one on the Sept. agenda.

Rejections

1) INANSR (Chicago, IL) - We didn't see the need for establishing a centralized "movement security center". Also thought the participating groups represented too narrow a sector and finally didn't like the way this group trashed other groups doing similar work.

2) New Mexico Peace Education Fund (Santa Fe) - Seemed like an interesting group but their radio program, proposed for funding, had no political content. We asked them to submit another more political project in the future.

3) Mass. Safe Energy Education Fund (Boston) - It was felt this group could get funding elsewhere. Why come to Resist unless there were extenuating circumstances?

4) N.E. Conference on First Strike Policy (Cambridge, MA) - The board was supportive but same reason as #4. Also nothing explicit in their packet on the Middle East.

Total grants; \$1,850.

You'll be getting your September meeting packet and/or agenda in a few weeks. It shouldn't be as overwhelming as it would have without our extra-ordinary August meeting (on the hottest night of the summer - felt just like D.C.). Many thanks to the board members who made the meeting.

For peace and justice,

Nancy
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