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Resist Board Meeting, Nov. 3, 1991

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3) Union of Palestinian Women's Association (Chicago, IL) - $600 asked to produce brochures and booklets for their Human Rights Project. I've asked them to send draft text/outlines for both.

Yes [x] No [ ] Maybe [ ]

4) Women's Center/Univ. of VA (Charlottesville) - Requesting $595 for American Sign Language interpreters for their events.

Yes [ ] No [x] Maybe [ ]

Community/Anti-racism

5) Concerned Citizens of Tillery (NC) - They're asking for $600 toward the purchase of a video camera for their Nubian Visions educational/empowerment project. Postponed from the last meeting. We needed more info about their Nubian Visions project. Their response is with their proposal.

Yes [ ] No [ ] Maybe [x] 

6) Police Watch (Los Angeles, CA) - $600 requested toward expenses of their community organizing program to mobilize against police abuse and repression.

Yes [x] No [ ] Maybe [ ]

Peace/Anti-militarism

7) Peace & Justice Radio Project (Chicago, IL) - Request of $600 to organize a brunch for fund raising and to promote community radio in Chicago. Postponed from the last meeting. We needed more info on their plans to become multi-cultural. Their response is in your packet.

Yes [x] No [ ] Maybe [ ]

8) Rural Southern Voice for Peace (Burnsville, NC) - They're asking for $600 for expenses of a regional conference of grass roots editors/publishers of peace and social justice journals/newsletters.

Yes [x] No [ ] Maybe [ ]

9) Draft and Military Project (Silver Spring, MD) - $600 to cover printing costs of cards, brochures and a newsletter.

Yes [x] No [ ] Maybe [ ]
10) Catholic Community Services Peace Project (Morgantown, WV) - $600 requested toward the salary of a staff person for their "Military Dollars vs. Unmet West Virginia Needs" Campaign.
   Yes ___  No ___  Maybe ___

Gay & Lesbian

11) Black & White Men Together - Detroit (MI) - Request of $600 for printing of brochures and other material for their convention this past June. I asked them to send a report on the convention and a budget update. So far, they've just sent the budget (in your packet.)
   Yes ___  No ___  Maybe ___  Don't know

12) Lesbian Resource Project (Tempe, AZ) - $600 request to provide accessibility to their event for hearing-impaired lesbians.
   Yes ___  No ___  Maybe ___  Don't know

13) North Carolina Coalition for Lesbian Gay Equality/Anti-Violence Project (Winston-Salem) - $500 to help finance a November state-wide gathering on countering homophobic violence and discrimination.
   Yes ___  No ___  Maybe ___

Central & Latin America and the Caribbean

14) Casa de Proyecto Libertad (Harlingen, TX) - They're asking for $600 toward production costs of a newsletter for their Community Education & Outreach program.
   Yes ___  No ___  Maybe ___

15) Association of Salvadoran Women (New York, NY) - $600 asked toward costs of producing their newsletter.
   Yes ___  No ___  Maybe ___

16) Cuba Information Project (New York, NY) - Request of $600 toward general expenses.
   Yes ___  No ___  Maybe ___
17) Delaware County Pledge of Resistance (Media, PA) - Requesting $600 to subsidize telexes and for additional staff time for their human rights violations response network.
   Yes X No ___ Maybe ___

18) New Haven Sister City Project/Science Education Task Force (CT) - Request of $188.91 (?) to purchase computer software to produce a chemistry textbook for Nicaraguans.
   Yes X No ___ Maybe ___

Prisoners/Criminal Justice

19) Prison Book Program (Jamaica Plain, MA) - Asking for $600 to help fund their efforts to support and promote study groups within prisons.
   Yes X No ___ Maybe ___

20) Citizens United for Rehabilitation of Errants, Inc./Texas (Austin) - Request of $600 for seed money for fund raising.
   Yes ___ No ___ Maybe ___ Don't know

21) Massachusetts Citizens Against the Death Penalty Fund (Boston) - They're asking for $600 toward the cost of reprinting their brochures.
   Yes ___ No ___ Maybe X

Labor

22) Child Care Directors Association of Greater Seattle (WA) - Request of $600 for printing of a brochure to advertise a new video, "Worthy Work, Worthless Wages", used in organizing child care workers. I'll ask board members to review the video and the resource packet when that comes in.
   Yes ___ No ___ Maybe ___ Don't know

Media

23) New Liberation News Service (Cambridge, MA) - Requesting $600 toward expenses of a subscription and fund raising drive. We said No to this group at the last meeting, but they asked to re-submit. We had questions about the
usefulness of this, i.e. current technology. Their answer to our concerns is in their packet. They included copies of the pubs which I'll ask several members to review for the meeting.

Yes ___ No ___ Maybe ___

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24) The Collective Voice (Minneapolis, MN) - They're asking for $577 for expenses of their "Women, Violence & Media" project. They sent 2 copies of their newspaper, which is thick. I'll ask two board members to review and report to the board meeting.

Yes ___ No ___ Maybe ___

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Pacific

25) Philippine Ethnic, Art & Culture Exchange (Alameda, CA) - A request of $600 to help develop a promotional packet, and for general expenses, for Project Bagong Lumad, their counter-quincenntennial celebrations campaign.

Yes ___ No ___ Maybe ___

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26) Committee for a New Korea Policy (Albany, NY) - $485 requested to print and mail a revised pamphlet, "US Multinationals in South Korea." The copy will be ready later in October, and I'll have a board member review it.

Yes ___ No ___ Maybe ___

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Miscellaneous

27) Planet Drum Foundation (San Francisco, CA) - They're asking for $500 toward the purchase of a laser printer for their Green City Project.

Yes ___ No ___ Maybe ___

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28) International Romani-Jewish Alliance (Cashmere, WA) - $596 requested for production of their newsletter.

Yes ___ No ___ Maybe ___

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29) Support-In '92 (Eugene, OR) - Request of a $600 grant for expenses of organizing this May 1992 5 day event by psychiatric survivors.

Yes ___ No ___ Maybe ___

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(30) No
Notes from Nancy M.

November 1, 1991

1) People who you can expect at the 11/3/91 board meeting are: Pam, Louis, Nancy W., and Yana. When I talked with her 3 weeks ago, Grace said that she might come; I haven’t been able to get in touch with her recently. Wayne will try to make it but isn’t sure at this point.

2) You’ll find my proxy sheet with my votes for grants in this red folder. [Also Hans K proxy]

3) You’ll also find 2 little packets of material: Additional information (received after mailing last Friday) to be read at the meeting, and Supporting material, to be passed around. Yana said that she would take care of handing it around (or reading it) when appropriate.

4) There’s also a sheet with references that I’ve gotten since I mailed the references/info package last Friday.

5) Please note additions to the Business Agenda which are on my proxy:
   a) Cohen grant - Is there a grant at this meeting that we particularly like and which fits the guidelines for a Cohen Grant? Guidelines for grant in the red folder.
   b) Hans K’s suggestion. My opinion of this is that it needs a lot of discussion. I think that the counter-Quincentennial work is very important, but should we make it a priority for funding, since we decided not to have priorities? Some other questions I have are: would the $6,000 (?) be used as emergency grants of sums above our regular eg ($150)?; if so, what constitutes an emergency?; what decision making process/criteria would be used? since we are already receiving requests for Quincentennial work (and will probably be receiving many more), do those requests also come out of this special pool of money? If not, how do we distinguish differences? Maybe I’m making it too complicated, or maybe it is too complicated. I would suggest further discussion on this.

6) On the Business Agenda, under Board Search, the sub-committee met with Larry Goldsmith. One or all the members could give a report and recommendation. I’ll go along with the board’s decision. Other board news is that both Renae Scott and Connie Chan have said that it’s possible they’ll both return to board meetings in January.

7) The Resist Finance sheet is with this note.

7) There’s a little package marked "Show & Tell" - letters we’ve received from grantees, etc. Folks can look at them at their convenience.

Have a good meeting.

Nancy M
November 1, 1991

Additional references and informational material for Nov. 3, 1991 Meeting:

1) Date/Marital Rape Education Project - I talked with Rochelle Ruthchild who said that Laura X does tend to be a driving force in any organization with which she's involved, but Rochelle does know that the Project is not a 1 person show. There are other people involved and working with Laura on this. To Rochelle, the other issue by which to judge the request is the importance of the issue itself. This Project has been critical in bringing the issue forward. She says that they've done a lot already and are not "fly-by-night", have had a good track record in the past and does have a network of folks around the country. This is a very timely issue, considering the public attention being directed toward it, through TV shows and the Thomas hearings. She feels that it would be important for Resist to fund the Project to show support for the issue.

8) RSVP - I had asked Mandy Carter to check around about this group’s position on reproductive rights. She said that none of her contacts had anything negative to say about the group and said that they are not, in any way, part of the "pro-life" movement.

10) Catholic Community Services Peace Project - Other than the PDF comments that I sent you last week, I’ve had no luck finding anyone that knows of this group. I called David Grub of WV Citizen Action, who referred me to one of his contacts at a local progressive book store. Neither had ever heard of the project.

19) Prison Book Program - I called Judy Greenspan of the ACLU National Prison Project. She said that there are not many groups like this in the US. Their book program and resource lists are "invaluable." All volunteer group and "very worthy of support.... (the study group campaign) is a "great project.... they’re sending material to peer education projects around the US.... on a national scale, they’re the best resource for this type of project." Highly recommends funding.

22) CDAGS - Tess E. recommended I also talk with Tony Harrah, a labor activist in Seattle. Tony said that he knows both the group and the people who made the video. He said that there are an interesting group of people in CDAGS, a lot of whom never have been associated with the labor movement before and have, through this experience, reached a good stage: "a nice phenomenon." Their April rally drew a lot of people and the people have remained active. It’s a multi-cultural group in which women have played the strongest role. There are also some men involved. Tony has been to some of their meetings, including a day-long conference. He said that there are "some very smart people involved.... This really has been a catalyst for some." They are also trying to make connections with various unions, and reach into the greater population through their connections with parents. They have good contacts with folks in other cities, so should be able to do the outreach needed to get the video and material out. Recommends grant.

23) NLNS - Wayne O’Neil will give his reference at the board meeting (he’s positive about this group), and I finally found someone to talk with at a campus newspaper. Eric Coppolino of the NY State Student Leader at SUNY/New Paltz said NLNS is "beautiful." The Student Leader uses NLNS stories and graphics but NLNS also reprints a lot of their articles as well. Eric said that they are "indispensable... supply copy to over 200 newspapers nationwide... good quality on national issues... graphics useful.... publication has analysis, humor." Recommends funding.