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Board Meeting Minutes August 4, 2013 – Business Portion

Present: Cynthia Bargar (afternoon only), Jennifer Bonardi, Miabi Chatterji, Judy Hatcher (until 3:15), Ravi Khanna, Kay Mathew (until 3:30), Yafreisy Mejia, Marc Miller (until 3:15), Jim O'Brien, Nisha Purushotham, Saif Rahman, Ragini Shah, Camilo Viveiros. Chair: Ragini Shah; Notes: Jim O'Brien

Minutes of the June 2 Board Meeting

The draft minutes of the June 2 Board meeting were referred to the Executive Committee for editing, so that they report decisions, not details of discussions. The EC will send a revised version to the Board for approval.

Grant Spending

After the Board had finished voting on the August grant applications, Yafreisy reported that we had approved a total of \$59,000 in grants. This was \$2,500 above the \$56,500 that had been set aside for August grants. The Board voted to distribute the full \$59,000.

Legal Matters

Yafreisy reported that our liability insurance carrier, Chubb Insurance, says that our policy does cover lawyer costs, with a \$2,500 deductible, and that the \$1,000+ already paid will probably count toward the deductible. Chubb has assigned Sarah B. Herlihy from the firm Jackson Lewis LLB to represent us on legal issues regarding Robin's departure. However, lawyers with the firm previously engaged by the Reconciliation Committee (Krokidas and Bluestein) say that the insurer doesn't have the right to dictate who will represent us. We would prefer to be represented by the original firm if they turn out to be correct that it is our choice, not the insurer's. (We will let the lawyers argue about this.)

Cynthia reported on her conversation with Robert Schwartz. He says that Steve Churchill's letter makes it clear that there is no case against Resist. If a suit were to be filed, it might well be dismissed as frivolous. He says that we aren't obligated to offer anything; if we wanted, we could offer a small amount and say that the offer would be withdrawn if not accepted within a certain period. He says he will consult with Resist on a pro bono basis.

We decided not to reply to the Churchill letter. If action is later needed, a two-person task force will coordinate contact with lawyers regarding Robin's

departure. It will consist of one staff person and one non-staff Board member. Yafreisy and Marc will do this.

We charged the Executive Committee to move with reasonable speed with finding a lawyer with nonprofit experience to represent Resist on an ongoing basis (separate from issues involving Robin).

The EC will discuss how to determine who if anyone on the Board has communicated with Robin since the June 2 Board meeting.

No Chicken No Egg Committee

Yafreisy distributed a two-page outline ([attached to these minutes](#)) of issues identified in follow-up meetings since the April retreat. The committee proposes that the issues be discussed in upcoming Board meetings in the following order:

October: Part 1, (a) and (b), growth and composition of the Board

December: Part 1, (c), Board committees

February (maybe in a retreat): Part 1, (d) through (f), and Part 2

The Board voted to authorize up to \$1,000 for a facilitator up to the end of the fiscal year, to advance the work of the committee if they find it advisable. In the FY 2014 budgeting process, we will consider the possibility of future expenses

R & R Committee

Saif reported on ideas being discussed: finding a nonprofit lawyer to join the Board and be useful in giving instant advice on issues that come up; putting out an open call for possible Board members; approaching some grantees, e.g., recipients of Hell Yes grants.

R&R Committee has a priority on adding new board members. It may propose a couple of new members at the next board meeting and the meeting after.

Executive Committee Proposal

The Executive Committee proposed the following change in the by-laws:

Interested Board Members shall run for either the role of Treasurer or Co-Chair. There will be 2 Co-Chairs elected and 1 Treasurer. One Clerk will be assigned by the staff. These four people will comprise the Executive

Committee. Each person will have a two-year term and can be elected for one additional 2-year term. The 2 Co-Chairs shall decide how to split the responsibilities of Chairing the Board as they see fit. If they would like to share leadership with other people, they shall propose such changes. The Board, if it chooses, may elect an additional person as Member at Large.

This was amended to replace "co-chairs" with "co-presidents." The proposal was accepted. Ragini and Cynthia were elected board co-presidents. The EC will establish staggered terms for the co-chairs.

Finance Committee proposal

The Finance Committee proposed that, in the interest of greater pay equity within the staff, Saif Rahman's salary be raised from \$47,642 annually to \$55,000 annually.

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Staff members left the room while the rest of the board considered the above proposal. The Board voted against taking immediate action on the proposed pay increase for Saif in favor of making it part of an overall discussion of staff salaries and related issues. It was agreed that any pay increases resulting from this discussion would be retroactive to July 1 of this year.

Grassroots International 30th-anniversary fundraiser

Staff proposed that the Board approve an amount to be spent on the Grassroots International 30th anniversary fundraiser on September 28. The proposal was tabled for staff to research the cost of a table for the event. In addition, the staff is planning to take out an ad in the program booklet for the event, using money that is already in the budget for this sort of ad.

The meeting adjourned at 3:42.

**August 2013
Grant Decisions**

Multi-Year Applications

Renewals:

1. Arise for Social Justice

\$4,000

467 State Street, P.O. Box 5423, Springfield, MA 01101 Michaelann Bewsee 413/734-4948
ariseforsocialjustice@gmail.com <http://ariseforsocialjustice.blogspot.com>

Third year installment for an economic justice organization run by and for low-income people.

Decision: Full

2. Missouri Immigrant and Refugee Advocates

\$4,000

2725 Clifton Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63139 Vanessa Crawford 314.669.1288
vanessa@mira-mo.org www.mira-mo.org

for the second installment in a multi-year grant to organize and advocate for the basic rights of all immigrants.

Decision: Full

New:

3. GI Voice

\$4,000

15107 Union Avenue SW, #B, Lakewood, WA 98498 Alex Bacon 253/581-1565
contact@coffeestrong.org www.coffeestrong.com

to uphold service members and veterans' rights while challenging U.S. militarism.

Decision: Full

Comments: Only 1 year. Ravi and Saif visited them in May 2013 and felt that their application doesn't reflect the great work they seem to do. Really like that they realized they had to change their focus away from coffee. Diversity: in person they said that it's hard to move from white Evergreen grads to a diverse population. Doesn't fit a MY because they're not organizing now, but planning to get to organizing in a couple years. Only 18 people

4. NARAL Pro-Choice South Dakota

\$4,000

401 East 8th Street, #330G, Sioux Falls, SD 57103 Alisha Sedor 605/334-5065
info@prochoicesd.org www.prochoicesd.org

to support and protect, as a fundamental right and value, a woman's freedom to make personal decisions regarding the full range of reproductive choices through education, training, organizing, and public policy.

Decision: Full

Comments: Only 1 year, not the MY they applied for. No race analysis. Any rural organizing? Their work with

"millennials" is focused on college campuses and professionals, not working class and poor people. No low-income people on Board. Are they trying to recruit people in working-class communities? Appears to be a traditional state-capitol lobbying group. We need people who are trying to get to marginalized constituencies - or trying to, at least. NARAL is usually very well organized. Mostly 65+ volunteers. Catalyzed a good discussion (no consensus) on whether we should fund the particular group only, or sometimes the issue and region, too/more.

General Support Applications:

Africa, Asia, and International

5. South Asia Solidarity Initiative (SASI)

Sonia J. Cheruvillil 917/434-0504 schervillil@gmail.com
www.southasianinitiative.org

for a group of activists, academics, students, and artists working to create awareness, promote education and solidarity with social movements working on the ground in South Asia.

Decision: No

Comments: The app doesn't reflect organizing. Reference raises questions about who they engage. We weren't able to get in touch with WRL. Are they really getting in touch with groups in South Asia? Huge portion of proposed budget is travel. Is that what's needed to make the work happen? Our main reference for them: there are some questions about her reliability, but in this case other people who know SASI are saying they are not organizing.

Central, Latin America and the Caribbean

6. Portland Central America Solidarity Committee (PCASC) \$3,000

2249 E. Burnside Street, Portland, OR 97214 Craig Hennecke 503/475.1019
craig@pcasc.net www.pcasc.net

to mobilize community members, workers and students to link the struggles for human rights and social justice in Latin America and in Oregon.

Decision: Partial

Comments: Marc may be able to do a site visit! Website is very good, strong references. Maybe the 3-person Board is a legal officer requirement. Maybe share their model with SASI?

Community Organizing/ Anti-Racism

7. Coalition for Educational Justice Defer

5905 Tipton Way, Los Angeles, CA 90042 Ronni Solman 323/246-5653
solm2@aol.com https://sites.google.com/site/cejnla

to struggle against institutional racism and the inequities based on class and race that exist within the Los Angeles Unified School District.

Decision: Defer/References/Questions

Comments: Was confusing. They didn't explain exactly what the SLASD campaign actually entails. Site isn't great. They mentioned a LOT of work - are they able to do all of that? Who is doing the work? We need to

talk to more organizers in LA, not people peripheral to the movement. Could use another cycle to get more references. They have brought youth onto their Board. We need to work on our references in LA.

8. Filipino Migrant Center

\$2,000

2325 E. 3rd St, Long Beach, CA 90814 Antonio Dorono 562.438.9515

fmcsc09@gmail.com www.filipinomigrantcenter.org

to educate, organize and mobilize low-income Filipinos in Southern California to fight for better working conditions, benefits, and a living wage.

Decision: Partial

Comments:

Economic Justice

9. Organized and United for Respect at Vanderbilt (OUR Vanderbilt)

\$3,500

1901 Lindel Ave., Nashville, TN 37203 Benjamin Eagles 615/939-4736

ben@ourvandy.org www.OURVandy.org

Decision: Partial

Comments: Deferral from last time. We had questions about their community engagement and worker participation. We have new references. They are partnering up with trusted people, and they've taken some of our

feedback. Have hired a worker-leader part time. References say they are clear about who they are: a great ally organization. Have really angered the Vandy administration with their direct actions. They have a \$29K surplus. There is a lot of money in the Vandy community that they could use. Sometimes a college group reaching out externally is a sign of privilege: maybe we could talk to them about fundraising (more)

in their community.

10. The Workers' Rights Center

\$2,000

2300 S. Park Street, #115, Madison, WI 53713 Patrick Hickey 608/255-0376

worker1@sbcglobal.net www.wrcmadison.org

for a volunteer-driven community resource center that provides all workers -- mostly low-wage and undocumented -- with access to information, advocacy resources, referrals, and training to assist in resolving workplace problems and gain power in the workplace and the community as a whole.

Decision: Partial

Comments: Paternalistic language around "we" and "them," with organizers pulling out leaders from the 'best' of the membership. Decisions seem made by staff, not the workers. A much improved application, though, and

great references. In a place like Madison, we might hope for something more radical.

Environmental Justice

11. Blue Skies Campaign**\$3,000**

203 W. Harlem St #4, Missoula, MT 59801 Nick Engelfried 503.737.7666
blueskiescampaign@gmail.com blueskiescampaign.org

to work to protect communities in Montana from the negative environmental, health, and socioeconomic effects of coal mining, transportation, and exports.

Decision: Partial

Comments: Great stuff, besides their diversity - they should not be writing "N/A" or "Not Tracked" on their sheet.

References raised the question of it being a one-man show. Also, why no mention of the question of jobs if they're against the coal industry? Likely, Northern Plains Resource Council is doing that jobs work. We should encourage them to develop a governance structure for sustainability. Their coal action was really powerful and Montana-driven, not led by outsiders.

12. Calumet Project for Industrial Jobs**Defer**

200 E. Russell St. Suite 304, Hammond, IN 46324 Francine Hintz 219.937.4103
fhintz@calproject.org www.calproject.org

for a grassroots coalition to unite everyone -- congregations, community activists, environmentalists, labor unionists, and neighborhood residents -- in striving for economic, environmental, and social revitalization of their communities.

Decision: Defer/References

Comments: Website is one year out of date. Budget only goes through June 2013 - need '13-'14 budget. Messed-up language around race, but diverse.

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Rights**13. Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition****Defer**

PO Box 960784, Boston, MA 02919 Robson Govine 617/778-0519
robson@masstpc.org www.masstpc.org

To organize for an end to discrimination based on gender identity and gender expression.

Decision: Defer/References/Questions

Comments: Are they organizing? Building a base? We hear of them as mostly lobbying and advocacy. Intersectional with economic justice and housing, which is great. Gunner was there for a decade - have a brand-new ED. Their budget is over our cap. We need: clarity around their budget, on their independence from BAGLY, and to ensure that the new ED is down with their whole analysis (and isn't planning radical changes).

14. South Carolina Equality**\$2,000**

P.O. Box 544, Columbia, SC 29202 Ryan Wilson 803/256-6500
ryan@scequality.org www.scequality.org

to secure equal civil and human rights for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender folks in South Carolina.

Decision: Partial

Comments: Pretty clear that it's white and middle-class. Where is the license income in their budget? Are

we funding the issue in this case and not the group? Not making connections with other movements. I staff member @ \$70K salary.

Health / AIDS / Disability Rights

15. Healthcare for All Oregon Education Fund **\$2,000**

316 SW Washington Ave, Corvallis, WA 97333 William H. Whitaker, PhD 503-206-6709
bill@corvallisrural.org www.hcao-ef.org

for a grassroots campaign to organize, educate, and mobilize people in Oregon about truly universal access to healthcare, as opposed to healthcare reform measures being implemented in the US which favor the health insurance industry and the elite and do not guarantee healthcare for all.

Decision: Partial

Comments: Very white, very new. Ask Community Catalyst Network next time around. One really positive reference. Application is a little vague about how they are going to get where they want to go with the legislation. Small budget. We hope that they will grow the relationships with communities of color that they report they are starting.

Labor and Employment Rights

16. Jobs with Justice - Central Indiana **\$3,000**

445 N Pennsylvania St, #300, Indianapolis, IN 46204 Amy Shackelford 317-441-5848
amy@centralindianajwj.org www.centralindianajwj.org

for a grassroots, multi-issue coalition of labor, community, student, and faith-based organizations committed to support workers' rights and social/economic justice through mobilizing and organizing for public policy advocacy, direct action, and community education.

Decision: Partial

Comments: In a part of the country that's often neglected, so, in that context we want to support it. In a place where people are 'politely racist.' References are very good. They should track the diversity of their steering committee, especially because the national JwJ requires a submission of diversity stats and information - to mention in our letter.

17. Vermont Fair Food Campaign **Defer**

294 North Winooski Ave., Burlington, VT 05401 Kelly Mangan 802/524-5005
kellymangan@gmail.com

to impact food industry workers in Vermont by building campaigns that advocate for sustainable jobs and wages as part of the sustainable food movement

Decision: Defer/References

Comments: For references. If they work with farmworkers, why is it not more diverse?

Peace / Anti-Militarism

18. Courage to Resist

484 Lake Park Avenue, #41, Oakland, CA 94610 Michael McKee 510/488-3559
adminctr@couragetoresist.org www.couragetoresist.org

to support conscience-based, anti-war military resisters, counter-recruitment efforts, and to host the Bradley Manning defense fund.

Decision: No

Comments: Budget is over \$150K. Used to be small and scrappy. Now get a lot of financial support over Manning. Say they do counter-recruitment work - how and where? Don't get the sense they're organizing. Financials are very big and confusing (what part of their money is for Manning's defense and what part for their programming?).

19. Iraq Veterans Against the War - Chicago**\$2,000**

Villatoro, 2618 W. Division, Chicago, IL 60622 Sabrina Walker 773.619.5597
sabrina_walker@yahoo.com www.ivaw.org (national)

to organize around IVAW's three points of unity.

Decision: Partial

Comments: Need to firm up their mission. Tiny budget. Sparse application.

20. Peaceful Vocations**\$2,000**

P.O. Box 12282, Fort Worth, TX 76110 Diane Wood 817/800-4249
peacefulvocations@yahoo.com www.peacefulvocations.org

for a counter-military recruitment organization providing education to counteract the aggressive and deceptive recruiting tactics of the military and the growing intrusion of the military.

Decision: Partial

Comments: Yes, but how do you involve the young people you engage?

Prisoners' Rights**21. Fight for Lifers - West****\$3,000**

P.O. Box 4683, Pittsburgh, PA 15206 Donna Hill 412/361-3022
fightforliferswest@yahoo.com www.fightforliferswestinc.com

to advocate for more humane and effective laws for prisoners serving life sentences in Pennsylvania.

Decision: Partial

Comments: We like this group overall. They have an interesting analysis around spending on prisons and the tax code. Tiny budget.

22. Solitary Watch**\$2,500**

P.O. Box 11374, Washington, DC 20008 Jean Casella 202/262-5122

solitarywatchnews@gmail.com www.solitarywatch.com

to end the use of solitary confinement in prisons, jails, detention centers, and juvenile facilities across the U.S.

Decision: Partial

Comments: Deferral from last time. Mostly but not all an online thing. Have formerly incarcerated people

"interning"/working with them. Is this organizing? In this movement, is spreading information and educating organizing in and of itself? Do they know how they're going to fit into a movement.

Youth

23. Public Higher Education Network of Massachusetts (PHENOM)

\$4,000

P.O. Box 2281, Amherst, MA 01004-2281 Ferd Wulkan 413/577-4121

phenom@phenomonline.org www.phenomonline.org

to unite students, staff, faculty, alumni, and parents to advocate for an accessible, affordable and well funded public higher education system that benefits all residents of Massachusetts.

Decision: Full

Comments: Last summer, there was some conflict between some students, who came from another group, and some faculty. The students wanted it to be a youth-led org, whereas PHENOM has always been dedicated to

bringing youth together with faculty to advocate for change. Have worked through this issue. Have diversified, too.

24. Seattle Young People's Project

\$4,000

510B Maynard Ave S, Seattle, WA 98104 Anelise Moon 206/860-9606

info@sypp.org www.sypp.org

for a youth-led, adult-supported social justice organization that empowers youth (ages 13-18) to express themselves and to take action on the issues that affect their lives.

Decision: Full

Comments: Was shocked to see them apply, because they are unbelievable - why are they in our budget range again? Given ebbs and flows of funding, we should support them. They had an expensive year. Hell Yes!

25. Youth Justice and Power Union

\$4,000

c/o The City School, 614 Columbia Road, Dorchester, MA 02125 Tara Venkatraman

617/822-3075 tara.venkatraman@gmail.com yjpuboston@gmail.com

for a youth leadership development group also focused on youth job creation.

Decision: Full

Comments: Very good references. Impressed with their assemblies - Kay notes that they have been amazing. Very

grassroots and intentional. In coalition with a lot of groups we love. \$36K budget. They mostly do lobbying; there are 2 statewide jobs coalitions and there's been a split between the 2. YJPU pushes the coalition - wish they would highlight that work more in their application.

Emergency Applications

26. Civilian Soldier Alliance

\$500

2638 N. Charles Street, Baltimore, MD 21218
civsolbaltimore@gmail.com www.CivSol.org

Sergio Espana 240/478-8193

to send two team members to the June 2013 Advanced Training with the Center for Story-Based Strategy, which will then allow these members to help lead CivSol's new campaign, The Right to Heal.

Decision: Full

27. Queerocracy

\$500

105 Lincoln Rd. #5C, Brooklyn, NY 11225
cassidy@queerocracy.org www.queerocracy.org

Cassidy Gardner 603/381-0808

for an emergency grant to assist with increased interest following a recent action to bring to light the effects of the sequester on AIDS programming and services.

Decision: Full

Total Number of Grants: 21 Regular applications; 4 Multi-Year applications; 1 Emergency application; 1 TA grant application

14 Not on Agenda

Total Amount Requested: \$ 99,300

Total Allocation for August: \$ 55,000

Total Grants: \$50,000 regular grants; \$8,000 multi-year grants; \$500 TA grants; \$500 Emergency grants

Total Amount Allocated : \$59,000

Total # of Grants Allocated: 23 general support; 2 multi-year grants; 1 Emergency grant; 1 TA grant

Deferred:

Coalition for Educational Justice
Calumet Project for Industrial Jobs
Massachusetts Transgender Political Coalition
Vermont Fair Food Campaign

Hell Yes! Grants:

Seattle Young People's Project

August 2013 Not On Agenda

1. Black and Pink

c/o The City School, 614 Columbia Rd., Dorchester, MA 02125 Jason Lydon www.blackandpink.org
jason@blackandpink.org

for emergency funding to attend the Allied Media Conference and present a workshop.

Reason: Do not fit the emergency grant guidelines.

2. Educational Praxis, Inc.

P.O. Box 409, Putney, VT 05346 Olya Clark 802/387-5039

for a network of educators and artists working with schools and universities to create space to critically examine local and global issues.

Reason: Mostly tours, and or collaborations with higher-ed institutions. Are not organizing or working/collaborating with groups that are. Are not engaged in any systemic or structural change work. Offer no radical political framework.

3. Generations Life, Inc.

3060 Royal Blvd. South, Alpharetta, GA 30022 Luciano Chetan 404/935-5900

for a veterans advocacy groups working to get veterans quality medical services, financial assistance and advocacy around the lack of veteran services and rights.

Reason: Not a political organization. Mostly provide services to veterans. They are shedding some light on the lack of services veterans get, but not within an anti-war peace framework. Have no race or class analysis.

4. Journey of Hope ... From Violence to Healing

P.O. Box 210390, Anchorage, AK 99520-0390 Bill Pelke 877/924-4483

for an organization led by murder-victim family members that sponsors speaking tours to call for the abolition of the death penalty and the promotion of restorative justice

Reason: No follow up to their speaking engagements. No broad social justice analysis. Focus on a "love and compassion for all humanity" lens rather than a critique of the criminal justice system. Board is 10 white people and 1 Other.

5. JQ International

2138 Baxter Street, Los Angeles, CA 90039 Asher Gellis 323-417-2627 to create
community and advance greater inclusion of LGBT Jews and Allies via identity building
programs and services that embody Jewish values.

Reason: Working for inclusion in mainstream Jewish community and to get Jewish LGBTQ people to reconnect with Jewish community. Based in one faith. Unclear where people are working for justice, social equity, or fighting oppression, etc. Current activities include doing workshops in schools, social media outreach, and get-togethers during Jewish holidays. They will be taking a Birthright Israel trip (Zionist Israel state-funded trip).

6. La Conexión de Wood County

809 N. Wintergarden Road, Bowling Green, OH 43402 Beatriz Maya 419-308-2328

for a grassroots Latino community-based organization that seeks to be a welcoming resource of unity and representation for Latino community empowerment.

Reason: Sparse application. Have just started this year. So far are doing ESL and tutoring services. Timeline refers to "semesters" and they mention a partnership with Bowling Green State University: how closely related are they to the University? Have a coordinating committee of founding members, but do not list them on the diversity sheet. Unclear what they are going to go / what their methods will be in the coming year. Come back in a few months or next year?

7. Neighbors for Healthy Communities

11 Park Street, Graniteville, VT 05654 Lori Bernier 802/479-1355

to stop plans for an asphalt plant from locating to their community and create a process for community residents to be engaged and hold local politicians accountable.

Reason: Very new. Application is not complete-missing lots of things. No information on who else is involved besides leader. Don't want this plant in their community because they want to make it "a desirable area for new homeowners to relocate to" no environmental analysis around this plant.

8. New Mexico Women's Justice Project \$3,000

P.O. Box 25501, Albuquerque, NM 87125-5501 Bette Fleischman 505/999-1935

to work to eliminate a broad range of systemic barriers to social, economic, and political justice faced by women, girls, and their families in New Mexico.

Reason: "We want to see a corrections system that does no harm to the girls and women under its watch" - not coming from an abolitionist viewpoint. They speak of women "laps[ing] into the same pattern of behavior" that got them incarcerated and write of "dysfunctional famil[ies]" - seem to be blaming incarcerated women and their poor values. The 5 Board members (race not listed on diversity grid) are all professionals who "work with" incarcerated women. They are for the first time starting an advisory board made up of formerly incarcerated individuals. #11 is one small paragraph. On the other hand, the legislation they support is all solidly progressive: ban the box (employers asking about past convictions), reducing solitary confinement, incarcerated people getting Medicaid, rights for substance users and people with addiction issues. Clearly focus on legislation - but with the Republican Governor vetoing all progressive legislation, do they have any other tactics? We have rejected them the last 2 times.

9. NC Student Power Union

804 Old Fayetteville St., Durham, NC 27701 Ben Carroll 919/604-8167

itsaredletterday@gmail.com <http://studentpowernc.org>

for emergency funding to continue mobilizing folks on the ground to respond immediately to regressive policies and initiatives by the right wing.

Reason: Work seems so important, but could better utilize a general support grant.

10. Peace Action Fund - New York State

64 Fulton Street, #403, New York, NY 10038 Alicia Godsberg 646/723-1749

to support grassroots activism that pushes for non-violent resolution of conflict, abolition of nuclear weapons, and supporting human need over militarism.

Reason: Have been around for a very long time, but no position on reproductive rights, no broader analysis around race and class. Almost sound apologetic that they have not done better in terms of diversity. In 2011 990 says they brought in over 200,000 in income, but in 2012 only brought in \$85,000. MTM campaign is the bulk of the work, but it seems that a good chunk of the work is in the form of speaking tours for the E.D.

11. Prison Radio

P.O. Box 411074, San Francisco, CA 94141 Noelle Hanrahan 415/706-5222
info@prisonradio.org www.prisonradio.org

to get the Federal Bureau of Prisons, Holder, and the Judge to grant compassionate release so Lynne Stewart can be with her family and fight lung cancer.

Reason: For legal defense, which we do not fund. Not connected to organizing.

12. The Arc of Georgia

100 Edgewood Avenue, Ste. #1675, Atlanta, GA 30303 Tarria Whitley 678/733-8969

for an organization that works towards developing programming, funding and public policy that will assist folks with "disabilities" to be full participants of their personal and community lives.

Reason: Mainly service, the "Navigating the System" workshops are a good idea and even better if they were used as an organizing tool. Overwhelmingly white. They put down using the \$4,000 mostly for lobbying although the key program is the above mentioned one. No class and/or race analysis at all.

13. The Whitney M. Slater Foundation

2778 Leola Hill Drive, Florence, SC 29506 Leo Woodberry loretslat@aol.com 843/468-5265

emergency funding to hold a rally to encourage legislators from South Carolina to accept federal funding for the Affordable Health Care Act.

Reason: An emergency grant application, which came in as a general support. Do not fit our guidelines.

14. Worcester Homeless Action Committee

30 Richards Street, Worcester, MA 01603 Dave McMahon 508/579-9249

to increase city-wide awareness about, and a response to, the critical condition of homeless people in Worcester.

Reason: Applied for a multi-year, but do not qualify. Have not been funded by RESIST in a while. Current focus is to convert existing city shelters to green energy in the hopes that money saved would be then used to give to social service agencies. Lots of rhetoric. No plan or clear strategy. Dave works at Pleasant Street Neighborhood Network Center, and they are also this group's fiscal sponsor-unclear relationship. Say they do work with EPOCA a RESIST grantee; however Steve from EPOCA has been highly critical of their work.