

POLITICAL COMMITTEE MINUTES, Number 12, February 20, 1970

Present: Barnes, Breitman, DeBerry, Dobbs, Halstead, Hansen,
Lamont, Novack, Ring, Shaw

Visitors: Britton, Horowitz, Kerry, Lovell, Waters

Chairman: Novack

AGENDA: 1. Political Report
2. Organization Report
3. Organization of Plenum

1. POLITICAL REPORT

Barnes reported.

Motion: To approve the general line of the report.

Carried.

2. ORGANIZATION REPORT

Britton reported.

Motion: To approve the proposals in the report.

Carried.

3. ORGANIZATION OF PLENUM

Shaw reported.

a. Procedural motions.

Motion: To approve the Administrative Committee
recommendations on procedure (attached).

Carried.

b. Schedule

Motion: To approve the proposed schedule (attached).

Carried.

Meeting adjourned.

Administrative Committee recommendations:

- 1) That in cases of procedural disputes, discussion be limited to two speakers, one for and one against, and that each speaker be limited to two minutes.
- 2) That general discussion be limited to ten minutes per speaker and that no one speak twice until all who wish to do so have spoken.
- 3) That the Presiding Committee consist of the Administrative Committee (Dobbs, Shaw, J. Barnes, Horowitz, Britton).
- 4) To designate as plenum secretaries White and Lesnik.
- 5) To invite as observers: Control Commission members; co-thinkers; heads of national departments (press, education, literature, finances); members of the youth NEC; branch organizers and special guests.

Motion: To adopt the recommendations on procedure.

Motion: To approve the following agenda:

1. Organization of Plenum
2. World Movement Report
3. Political Report
4. Report on Women's Liberation Movement
5. Organization Report
6. Supplementary Magazine and National Departments Report
7. Finances Report
8. Antiwar Report
9. Youth Report
10. Election of Political Committee

Motion: To adopt the proposed schedule (see attached).

PLENUM SCHEDULE

February 27, 28, March 1, 1970

Friday, February 27, 1970

10:00 A.M. Organization of Plenum
10:30 World Movement Report (1 hr.)
11:30 Discussion (1½ hrs.)
1:00 P.M. Lunch (Sandwiches and coffee at hall)
2:00 Summary, World Movement Report (½ hr.)
2:30 Political Report (1 hr.)
3:30 Discussion (2½ hrs.)
6:00 Summary, Political Report (½ hr.)
6:30 Dinner (Hot meal and drinks at hall)
8:00 Report on Women's Liberation (1 hr.)
9:00 Discussion (1 hr.)
10:00 Adjourn

Saturday, February 28, 1970

10:00 A.M. Continue Discussion, Women's Liberation (½ hr.)
10:30 Summary, Women's Liberation Report (½ hr.)
11:00 Organization Report (1 hr.)
12:00 Supplementary Magazine & Nat'l Department Reports (1 hr.)
1:00 P.M. Lunch (Sandwiches and coffee at hall)
2:00 Discussion, Organization Reports (3 hrs.)
5:00 Summary, Organization Report (½ hr.)
5:30 Finances Report (45 mins.)
6:15 Discussion (1 hr.)
7:15 Summary, Finances Report (15 mins.)
7:30 Adjourn

Sunday, March 1, 1970

10:00 A.M. Antiwar Report (45 mins.)
10:45 Discussion (1½ hrs.)
12:15 P.M. Summary, Antiwar Report (15 mins.)
12:30 Lunch (Sandwiches and coffee at hall)
1:30 Youth Report (1 hr.)
2:30 Discussion (1 hr. 15 mins.)
3:45 Summary, Youth Report (½ hr.)
4:15 Political Committee (½ hr.)
4:45 Discussion (1 hr.)
5:45 Summary, Political Committee (15 mins.)
6:00 Adjourn