

NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 21, 1967

No. 2

NEC: Susan, Syd, Doug, Charlie, Melissa, Wendy, Lew, Mary-Alice  
NEC excused:  
NC Alt.: Peggy

Convened: 5:40 p.m.

Chairman: Doug

- Agenda:
1. National Office Report
  2. Fund Drive
  3. Summer School
  4. Young Socialist
  5. Petrick Defense
  6. Pamphlets
  7. Antiwar Report

1. National Office Report - Mary-Alice

- a. The National Office is expanding its quarters. We will retain the office we now have, with the addition of two small adjoining rooms.
- b. We are being supplied with copies of the Northern pre-convention discussion bulletins to be circulated to our national committee. Comrades should be very careful with these due to security problems. YSA comrades not on the NC may read these documents, but they should not leave the possession of NCers.
- c. The following greetings were sent to the First National Youth Conference of the Vietnam Solidarity Campaign, meeting in London this weekend:

Young Socialist Alliance sends fraternal greetings and best wishes for success of First National Youth Conference of Vietnam Solidarity Campaign. April 15 Mobilization largest political demonstration ever in U.S. Hope it will inspire your conference.

Motion: to approve the report.

Motion Passed

2. Fund Drive - Charlie

The fund drive is on schedule, thanks to the fact that the New York quota is almost paid. Most locals are behind, and a big push is needed to catch up. Scoreboard enclosed.

Motion: to approve the report.

Motion Passed

3. Summer School - Charlie

A joint summer school committee has been set up and a letter will be sent to all the locals and branches this week.

Motion: to approve the report.

Motion Passed

4. Young Socialist - Doug

The main feature in the June 1967 YS will be an article by Howie Petrick on the life of an antiwar GI in the army. The issue will also include a two page picture spread on April 15 and Vietnam week, excerpts from Pedro Juan Rua's speech to the New York Forum on the Puerto Rican Plebiscite, an article on Gus Hall's "Toward a Peace Ticket in 1968," an answer to Nick Egleson's speech at the April 15 rally in New York, a book review on jazz, and the Manifesto adopted by a recent youth antiwar conference in Europe.

For the July-August issue, the Editorial Board is considering a 32 page special "Cuba Issue."

Motion: to approve the report.

Discussion: Mary-Alice, Lew, Doug

Motion Passed

5. Howie Petrick Defense - Lew and Susan

Report enclosed.

Motion: to approve the report

Discussion: Syd, Susan, Lew, Doug

Motion Passed

6. Pamphlets - Mary-Alice

The proposed pamphlet by Che Guevara has been shelved for the time being, as it would seriously undercut the sales of the Canadian Fair Play for Cuba Committee pamphlets.

Pamphlets that are being worked on at the present time include: selections from Fidel Castro's speeches on Vietnam, Ernest Mandel's Introduction to Marxist Economics, James Cannon's two articles on the Wallace campaign, and Farrell Dobb's series of articles in the Militant on Labor and the New Left.

Motion: to approve the report.

Discussion: Melissa, Mary-Alice

Motion Passed

7. Antiwar Report - Doug and Lew

Report enclosed.

Motion: to approve the report.

Discussion: Melissa, Syd, Lew, Doug, Peggy, Melissa, Lew,  
Doug, Lew

Motion Passed

Adjourned: 7:20 p.m.