

Minutes of the National Committee Plenum

Young Socialist Alliance

Oberlin, Ohio, August 13, 1972

Convened at 12:57 p.m.

Present:

Full: Ackerman, Burke, Chainey, Dixon, Finkel, Fowlkes, Friedman, Guckenberg, Hardy, Harris, Hawkins, Johnston, Little, Lovgren, Miah, Miller, Mirelowitz, Oliver, Prince, Pulley, Rodriguez, A. Rose, M. Rose, Rowand, Schneider, Singer, Tracy, Vernier, Vidal, Welch, Whicker, Williams

Alternate: Ugolini, Coren, Schmuger, Markus, Murphey, Potash, Goodman, Weissman, Miliner, Brown, Einhorn, Lieberman, Barrera, Dork, Keepnews, Perez, Winsten, Herreshoff, Linder

Consultative: Lemon, Freiwirth, Savich, Jerome, Brenner, Stevenson, Hillson, Ellis, Ogden, Archer, Hildebrand, MacArthur, Welters, Groth, Burfeind, Sorsa, Zeller, Bouffard, Robohm, Berman, Rashkind, Black, Priddy, Homonoff, Rosenstock, Reed, Constant, Savio, Frankel, Paparello, Withers, Kittler

Motion by A. Rose: That Oliver chair the Plenum.

Motion Carried

I. ORGANIZATION OF THE PLENUM

Motions from the NEC presented by Miller:

- (1) That the Presiding Committee be A. Rose, Vidal, Miller, Mirelowitz, Welch, and Miah.

Motion Carried

- (2) That procedural questions be decided by majority vote with one speaker for and one against, each with one minute.

Motion Carried

(3) That the Plenum adopt the following rules:

- a. That consultative delegates have voice and consultative vote; observers have no voice and no vote.
- b. That the election of the NEC be open to only full and alternate NC members.
- c. That discussion presentations be limited to six minutes.
- d. That in a discussion period no one may speak a second time before each person desiring the floor has had a chance to speak.

Motion Carried

(4) That consultative delegates be Lemon, Freiwirth, and Savich from the National Office, and local and regional organizers who are not on the NC.

Motion Carried

(5) That YSA members, SWP members, and YSJP members be invited to attend the plenum as observers.

Motion Carried

(6) That Freiwirth and Perez be designated as Plenum secretaries.

Motion Carried

(7) To approve the following agenda: (attached)

Motion Carried

(8) To approve the following schedule: (attached)

Motion Carried

II. FALL PERSPECTIVES FOR BUILDING THE YSA

Reporter - A. Rose

Discussion: Ackerman, Lovgren, Finkel, Stevenson, Markus, Potash

Summary - A. Rose

Motions:

- (1) To approve the convention call.
- (2) To conduct a fall fund drive from September 6 to November 22, with a goal of \$32,000.

(3) To approve the general line of the report.

Vote:

on Motion (1): Full: for, unanimous
Alt: for, unanimous
Consultative: for, unanimous

Motion Carried

on Motion (2): Full: for, unanimous
Alt: for, unanimous
Consultative: for, unanimous

Motion Carried

on Motion (3): Full: for, unanimous
Alt: for, unanimous
Consultative: for, unanimous

Motion Carried

Motion from the Presiding Committee: That a representative from the Socialist Workers Party and the representatives from the Central Executive Council of the Young Socialists/Ligue des Jeunes Socialistes be seated for the closed session as observers.

Motion Carried

III. ELECTION OF NATIONAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Reporter - Vidal

Report attached.

Motions:

(1) To approve the action of the outgoing National Executive Committee in dissolving the Organization Committee.

(2) To elect an NEC of 12.

Vidal nominated: Fowlkes, Hawkins, Lovgren, Miah, Miller, Mirelowitz, Pulley, A. Rose, Rowand, Vernier, Vidal, Welch

Discussion: Weissman, Ackerman, Winsten, Oliver, Mirelowitz, Weissman, A. Rose

No further nominations.

Motion:

(3) To elect the 12 nominees.

Vote:

on Motion (1):

Full: for, unanimous

Motion Carried

on Motion (2):

Full: for, unanimous

Motion Carried

on Motion (3):

Full: for, unanimous

Motion Carried

Plenum adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

PROPOSED PLENUM AGENDA

1. Organization of the Plenum
2. Fall Perspectives for Building the YSA
3. Election of National Executive Committee

PROPOSED PLENUM SCHEDULE

12:00 - 12:30 Organization of the Plenum (30 min)
12:30 - 1:30 Fall Perspectives for Building the YSA (1 hr)
1:30 - 4:00 Discussion (2 hrs 30 min)
4:00 - 4:15 Summary (15 min)
4:15 - 5:30 Election of NEC (1 hr 15 min)