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YOUNG SOCIALIST EDITORIAL BOARD MINUTES- Jan, 25, 1959

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| Agenda: 1. Boston Conference | 8. Los Angeles Elections |
| 2. March on Washington       | 9. Area Reports          |
| 3. World Youth Festival      | 10. Kiss Case            |
| 4. Feb. Issue                | 11. Minority Bulletin    |
| 5. YPSL Scandal              | 12. Finances             |
| 6. Communications            | 13. Circulation          |
| 7. Tour                      | 14. Next Meeting         |

Members present: Tim, Allen, Bert, Martha, Jim, Dick, George. Alternates: Nora, Barbara.

1. BOSTON CONFERENCE: Tim reported on communications with Pete C. concerning the proposed area wide young socialist conference. It was reported that the nature of the conference had been changed by the inclusion of the YPSL in it. All areas are urged to send fraternal greetings to the conference (write: Pete Camejo, 405 Monroe, MIT, Cambridge, Mass.)

2. MARCH ON WASHINGTON: Fred M. has agreed to maintain contact with the Youth March Committee for the YS. March petitions have been printed, but not yet distributed. The March is scheduled for April 18. The YS supports the March fully and urges its supporters to seek out local Youth March groups and participate in them to the extent of our ability. We see no conflict between this work and our support for the Kiss Case. Local supporter should seek ways of meshing the two projects together (i.e. getting local Youth March groups to endorse the Case). The editorial board will shortly be considering our participation in the actual March and therefore would be interested in ideas from our supporters on this.

3. WORLD YOUTH FESTIVAL: Nora has agreed to maintain contact with this activity for the YS. Supporters are urged to maintain contact with their local Youth Festival group. All YS supporters who are planning to attend the Festival should contact the Editorial Board immediately so that we may coordinate our participation in the Festival.

4. FEB. ISSUE: It was decided to add an editorial on the 40th anniversary of the murder of Liebknecht and Luxemburg. An editorial statement on Harrington's remarks in opposition to unity was approved.

5. YPSL SCANDAL: At the Wohlforth-Harrington debate, Harrington stated that a YPSL investigating commission had found untrue charges that a Phila. YPSL had denounced YS distributors to the police at the 1958 Youth March on Washington. One YPSL member spoke from the floor and stated that the facts as we stated them were true. Dick DeHaan has already sent in an affidavit on the matter to the YPSL and other are in preparation. It was decided to wait for a response from the YPSL before giving the scandal further publicity.

6. COMMUNICATIONS: a) An invitation was received from the All-Island Sama Samaja Youth Congress (Ceylon) to send a fraternal delegate or greetings to their national conference. Motion: to send greetings, passed unan. b) A letter and a bundle of papers was received from the youth of the Autonomous Socialist Party of France (recently expelled from the SFIO for opposition to the Algerian War and support to DeGaulle). An exchange relationship has been established.

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7. TOUR: An intensive week of meetings and appearances before school classes been arranged for tim in Baltimore.

8. LOS ANGELES ELECTIONS: Peter Allan is running for Board of Education in the spring elections as an independent candidate endorsed by the SWP. He will push the YS in the campaign using 500-1,000 extra copies of the YS. Motion: The YS endorses the campaign as an opportunity to put forward a socialist point of view many questions facing the youth as well as the whole population. passed unan.

9. AREA REPORTS: a) Philadelphia: Arthur reports contact has been established with youth around the CP and with a newly formed Vanguard youth group. Plans are being made for a big meeting during Negro History week that will tie into the Kiss Case. b) Los Angeles: Peter reports that work is under way to contact YS subscribers to become part of a YS committee in the area. Plans presently call for a meeting to set up the committee sometime in February. c) Detroit reports very extehrive and successful work around the Kiss Case is being done by the teenage "Rebels" group. d) A highly successful forum and social was held on January 24 by the YSA. Over 100 persons were present including a large number of youhg people who were attend their first YSA function. Papers and subs were sold and our film-lecture meeting was pushed.

10. KISS CASE: Efforts to get organizations to pass resolutions of support to the case should be intensified. Also efforts should be made to get national sponsors for the youth committee. Jules Feiffer of "Sick,Sick, Sick" fame has agreed to be a sponsor.

11. MINORITY BULLETIN: Motion: We urge the group represented by Maryann and Mike to utilize the YS Forum to publish their views, rather than by circulating their privately printed(in Buffalo) bulletin "For A Revolutionary Proletarian Youth League." passed: unan. Consultative: unan. Motion: For purposes of the welfare of the movement, all YS supporters publishing material that specifically refers to, or is published by the YS, or any section thereof, shall first submit it to the editorial board or the editor of the YS Forum. This does not imply censorship of political views. Passed unan. Consultative unan.

12. FINANCES: \$160 has been received Jan 1-25, including \$46-bundles, \$37-sup-porters, \$22-special fundraising. Our budget for each month is \$465. We urge all local groups to complete payments on their Jan. bundle bills and YS supporter pledges by the end of the month. Forms have been circulated for this purpose. Also spcial fund raising projects should be undertaken wherever possible.

Bundle orders: Under the new system whereby an area quarentees a minimum bundle order payment at \$.10 each and requests additional copies on a consignmant basis we have received the following orders: New York 200, Los Angeles 100, Minneapolis 80, Buffalo 10.

13. CIRCULATION: Anyone wishing to subscribe to the National Guardian should do so through the ad in the current issue. An exchange ad has been arranged with the Monthly Review. Supporters are reminded that the sub drive is still in effect.

14. NEXT MEETING: Sun., Feb. 8 -- 7:30 PM -- Bert's

NOTE ON MINUTES: We are now received minutes regularly from the YS committees in the Bay Area and in Detroit. We urge all other local groups to follow suit.

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SUB DRIVE NEWSLETTER

<u>AREA</u>	<u>RENEWAL-NEW REC'D</u>	<u>ACCEPTED QUOTA</u>	<u>PER CENT</u>
General	67	70	96
Los Angeles	18	75	24
Bay Area	38	55	69
Cleveland	9	15	60
Denver	2	15	13
Chicago	10	30	33
Boston	9	10	90
Buffalo	1	15	6
Detroit	13	40	33
Twin Cities	9	30	30
Newark	4	10	40
Philadelphia	27	25	108
New York	54	75	72
Seattle	7	20	35
Milwaukee	<u>5</u>	<u>15</u>	<u>33</u>
	273	500	55

Now that the Detroit Conference is over all areas should be able to concentrate on getting subscriptions for the YOUNG SOCIALIST.

We are more than half way through our new-and-renewal subscription campaign. We should have no trouble reaching our goal if everyone works as hard this next month as they have done previously.

It is plain to see which areas have worked the hardest. Congratulations are in order to the Philadelphia comrades for topping their quota. This should be an example for all other areas. Let us all get out and work and show that we too can top our quota.

Fraternally yours,

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