

Minutes of the Plenum of the National Committee, February 9, 1968

Present: Full: Lew, Mary-Alice, Charlie, Doug, Robin, Kipp, Marilyn, Melissa, Gus, Syd, Derrel, Steve, Dan, Danny, Derrick Jan.

Alternates: Carl, Paul, Peer, Linda, Eloise, Carol, Judy, Peggy, Dennis.

Convened: 10:45 a.m.

Chairman: Lew

Agenda: 1. Plenum Guests  
2. Convention Procedures  
3. YS sub campaign

Motion: to approve the agenda.

Motion Passed

1. Plenum Guests - Lew

Motion: to seat Gary P. as a guest from the North.

Motion Passed

2. Convention Procedures - Charlie B.

a. Motion: that the Presiding Committee consist of Lew, Mary-Alice, Doug, Charlie, Carol, Derrick, plus one representative from the East, Midwest, West and the South.

Motion Passed

b. Motion: that procedural questions be decided by majority vote with one speaker for and against, each with one minute.

Motion Passed

c. Motion: to approve the following agenda.

1. Political Report
2. Antiwar Report
3. Black Struggle Report
4. Organizational Report
5. Election of the National Committee

Motion Passed

d. Motion: to approve the schedule as written.

Motion Passed

- e. Motion: to adopt the following rules for the convention to be proposed by the Plenum.
1. that all sessions be open, with the exception of the session electing the new NC, which shall be closed.
  2. that the NC shall be elected by secret ballot.
  3. that delegates and alternates seated in place of absent delegates have voice and vote. That fraternal delegates have voice and consultative vote.
  4. that discussion presentations be limited to ten minutes.
  5. that in any discussion period, no one may speak a second time before each person desiring the floor has had a chance to speak.
  6. that only those delegates seated at the roll call of a particular session may vote.

Motion Passed

- f. Motion: that the fraternal delegates be the outgoing National Committee, Farrell D., George N., Fred H., and Paul B., of the SWP and one fraternal delegate from Antioch, and Champaign which have become locals since the convention call went out, plus one fraternal delegate from Albany, Norman, Houston, Austin, Baltimore, and one from all areas where there is only one at-large member, plus one representative from the North.

Motion Passed

- g. Motion: that the convention be open to YSA members and sympathizers vouched for by the locals.

Motion Passed

- h. Motion: that there be three panels: Young Socialist, to be chaired by Carol L., Education to be chaired by Paul L., and Recruitment to be chaired by Danny R.

Motion Passed

- i. Motion: that there be a Nominating Commission made up of one delegate from each area.

Motion Passed

- J. Motion: that the Nominating Commission be chaired by Derrel M. and Larry S., with voice and no vote.

Motion Passed

- k. Motion: that Kim A. and Fred F. be convention secretaries.

Motion Passed

- l. Motion: that Evelyn K. chair a Credentials Committee of three people, the other two to be elected by the convention.

Motion Passed

- m. Motion: that Robin M. chair a Constitutional Commission of three people, the other two to be elected by the convention.

Motion Passed

All Motions Passed

3. Young Socialist Subscription Campaign - Charlie B.

Motion: to approve a nine month Young Socialist for Halstead and Boutelle sub campaign of the Militant and Young Socialist for \$1.00 with a national quota of 2,000 subs.

Motion Passed

Adjourned: 11:15 a.m.