

July 2, 1964

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A meeting of the Executive Committee of the Parents Mississippi Emergency Committee, Los Angeles Area, was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Seigel, at 8 p.m. July 2nd, 1964, with Mr. Richard Wilson, Chairman of the Delegation Committee, presiding.

Mr. Wilson outlined the activities of the July 1st meeting, at which it was decided to send a delegation of parents to Washington, D.C. Mr. Wilson reported that he had phoned Mr. Tom Leatherwood for advice concerning such a delegation, and was informed that it would not be advisable. Inasmuch as the Civil Rights Bill had been passed, and the Independence Day holiday was imminent, many Congressmen would be leaving the Capital, and it would be a bad week to get an interview. It was suggested that instead, we write a comprehensive letter, to be circulated for signatures, and copies sent to President Johnson, all members of the Cabinet, Senate and House of Representatives. This the group unanimously agreed to do.

Various suggestions for further action which were discussed, included:

1. Developing pressure on representatives when they return to California prior to the Republican Convention, July 13th.
2. To get Governor Brown to send an observer to Mississippi.
3. Asking Steve Allen to lend his name to a 'cause-party'.
4. Sending a parent delegation to see Gov. Brown, Dr. Carstens to call him personally to ask whether or not such a delegation would be advantageous.
5. Each parent write letters to congressmen.
6. That Pierre Salinger be asked to help.

Discussion followed regarding printing of letters, including letter-heads carrying the name "Parents Mississippi Emergency Committee, Los Angeles Area".

Mrs. Carsten's proposal that an emergency fund be established, was discussed.

A letter was composed and copies given each committee member present, to circulate for signatures, petitioning President Johnson, members of the Cabinet, Senate and House of Representatives, to use all Constitutional powers to protect all Civil Rights Workers in every area of our nation, particularly in Mississippi.

Minutes of the July 2nd meeting, Parents Mississippi Emergency Comm.,
Los Angeles Area, Executive Board.

An outline for a meeting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Klaus Brill,
on Monday, July 6th, was made, to include the following:

1. Bail Problem
2. Letters to ALL parents
3. Appointment of Finance Chairman
4. Master letter to be signed by parents

The meeting adjourned at 11 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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