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Steering Committee Minutes
August 21, 1964

The Steering Committee of the Parents Mississippi Emergency Committee met at the home of the Robert Hunns on Friday, August 21, 1964, at 8 PM. Those present were: Mrs. Adele Siegel, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Wilson and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hunn.

Mrs. Wilson reported progress on arrangements for the homecoming party, to be held on Sept. 2nd, the place to be announced.

The Steering Committee meeting was called expressly to decide what further action we could take to support the seating of the Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party delegation at Atlantic City, considered a most vital concern of the Mississippi Summer Project. There was discussion of a suggestion that a student representative be sent to the National convention because of the success of this same action at the State convention in Sacramento last week. Also, there had been a recommendation that mass telegrams be sent to the California delegates in Atlantic City, urging their support on this issue. To carry out both, or either, of these would require more money than we have available. It was learned that Mr. Paul Albert, who had given invaluable assistance to our group in Sacramento, was going to the ^{National} Democratic/convention, and would be willing to ~~serve as our~~ *assist us by* relaying information to us regarding the temper of the various delegates and what progress was being made at the convention. This would, in effect, give us an on-the-spot *contact*, and was considered a decided advantage in knowing to whom wires should go for maximum effectiveness. Mrs. Siegel's motion was seconded and carried that ^{inasmuch as} we act on the assumption that the Parents Committee will approve ^{promptly and} ~~and that we advance~~ \$200.00 from the operating expense fund for ^{a portion of} Mr. Albert's expenses.

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The Secretary was authorized to receive all calls from Mr. Albert, and acting upon such information, to phone key people, both in the Los Angeles area and the Northern areas, to ask that individual telegrams be sent.

The next regular meeting will be called for Monday, August 31st.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,