

PARENTS MISSISSIPPI FREEDOM COMMITTEE OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

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***** GENERAL MEETING *****

Wednesday, October 14, 1964

7:30 p.m.

at the home of

Mr. & Mrs. Ray Owen

1583 Rose Villa Street, Pasadena

BY 6-0905

The new Parents Mississippi Freedom Committee is off the ground. At its first meeting, on September 30th, the following officers were elected:

Chairman - Arthur Carstens
First Vice Chairman - Mrs. Gabrielle Brill
Second Vice Chairman - Robert Hann
Secretary - Mrs. Adele Siegel
Treasurer - Harold Johnson
Recording Secretary - Mrs. Dorothy Hann

In addition, Edwin Wilson was designated as Bail Fund Chairman, with Sydney Harris as co-chairman; Mrs. Judy Newman as Public Relations Chairman; Mrs. Clare Harris as Membership Chairman; Mrs. Neodros Bridgeforth as Bulletin and Mailing Chairman; and Miss Betty Carstens as Youth Liaison Chairman. Appointive offices of Legislative Chairman and Sponsoring Parents Chairman remain to be filled. All the above offices include membership on the Executive Committee of the Parents Mississippi Freedom Committee.

Dues of \$12.00 per year per family have been established - payable in one sum or on a monthly basis. Send these to Mr. Harold Johnson, P.O. Box 246, Glendora, with checks made out to the Committee and marked "Dues" in an upper corner of the check to help keep alive the work your own children did during the summer. Some of these young people are still working there, and many more will return to do so again.

Membership in the Parents Committee is open to all parents whose children were in Mississippi last summer, or are there at present, to all returned volunteers, and to all approved Sponsoring Parents who have taken on the responsibility for supporting a volunteer in Mississippi. For information on how to become a Sponsoring Parent, contact the Secretary, Mrs. Adele Siegel, VERmont 8-8513.

AGENDA for the coming meeting includes a report on the plan for incorporation of the Parents Committee as a non-profit, charitable organization with consequent tax deductibility for all donations, the re-establishment of a Bail Fund (obviously needed more urgently now than ever before), and reports on plans for exciting new projects - legislative, fund-raising, and others such as an Exchange Student Program designed to bring students from Mississippi to Los Angeles for a period of study in Los Angeles Schools, while living in Los Angeles homes. Plans for incorporation must be approved by the membership in order for these actions to be carried through in time for meeting emergency needs in Mississippi NOW. A wide attendance at the meeting is imperative.