IMPORTANT!

By the laws of the State of California we must have a Peace & Freedom Central Committee, but, it does <u>NOT</u> have to have any power over PFM activities or policies. The PFM Central Committee shall have only that power necessary to meet the minimum legal requirements of the State of California, and shall not be empowered to act as a County Council.

The County Council delegates shall be elected as before, two from each Neighborhood Group. The County Council shall be a Steering Committee to give the Neighborhood Groups direction, and shall not act as a legislative body.

If the PFM Central Committee were to have the powers of a County Council, the Neighborhood Groups would be subordinated to an unrepresentative Central Committee as in the Democratic and Republican parties. Why? Because, according to the laws of the State of California the PFM Central Committee must follow the assembly districts which have been gerrymandered by the Democratic and Republican parties to the detriment of the interest groups within them.

We should not, therefore, empower this basically inequitable creation; as, in doing so we would not be offering an alternative to the present political system. We would be stifling the Neighborhood Groups and the individuals within them.

If the County Council remains as it is - a Steering Committee - the roots of our party, the Neighborhood Groups, can be further strengthened.

The major weaknesses in the county structure prior to the reorganization of the County Council have been eliminated by this very reorganization. In its short period of operation the new County Council has proven itself a viable, realistic entity that can effectively serve the interests of the PFM and the Neighborhood Groups. Let us support this system that gives every individual a voice through an effective Neighborhood Group.

The Marina-Union Neighborhood Group

PEACE AND FREEDOM MOVEMENT

Rules for California State Council Meetings

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In general, Robert's Rules of Order, Revised shall be the parliamentary authority for this body. Since this work, however, is not well adapted to modern political debate, the following special changes shall apply:

- 1. All motions require only a simple majority vote.
- 2: Motions to Adjourn, Divide the Question, Object to Consideration, Suspend the Rules, Table, Limit or Extend Debate, and Appeals From the Decision of the Chair are debatable.
- 3. Simultaneous motions may be accepted by the Chair and will be voted up or down by the body.
- 4. "Friendly" amendments will be immediately incorporated into motions before the body.
- 5. The following motions require ten seconds from the body:
 - a. Motions for Special Speeches or Presentations.
 - b. The presentation of minority reports.
 - c. All substantive motions.
 - d. Requests for roll call votes.
- 6. Such phrases as "Call the Question", "Move the Question", and "Move the Previous Question" will be considered requests to END Debate on the immediately pending question only, unless otherwise specified by the mover.
- 7. Any speaker may, instead of his speaking, call for 20 seconds of silence by the body. Such will immediately be observed by the body.
- 8. A quorum shall consist of one-half the number of accredited members of the Council, plus one.

PROPOSED CONVENTION STRUCTURE

This convention proposal was designed to the following requirements:

- l. To fulfill the guarantee of many organizers/registrars that the policies and platform programs of this Party will be determined by the fact that one person's vote counts no more and no less than that of any other person (or, to put it another way, that everyone's vote will be meaningful in a non-Democratic/Republican way);
- 2. That concurrent with democracy within an organization there must be realistic provisions made to insure the continuation of that organization, which means the organization must be able to function in a meaningful way;
- 3. That cognizance be taken of the various legal requirements pertaining to the question of candidacy for United States Senator; and, if the situation develops, for consideration of the questions connected with the Presidency;
- 4. That the entire convention "gestalt" be designed to assist and encourage the present and future organizing of the Party, with consideration given to two factors: how to encourage organizers to organize, and how to guarantee that those organized will come into a democratically functioning Party.

IT IS THEREFORE PROPOSED that:

- 1. There be a maximum of 500 delegates, to be determined upon the basis of one delegate per 200 registered voters in the county, with the provision that all counties which have PFP organizations be entitled to at least one delegate.
- 2. That all counties be encouraged to select delegates to this Convention either by holding a mass meeting/county convention or by another process which guarantees to all members (including those disenfranchised persons who would otherwise be registrants) that they will have a meaningful opportunity to participate in the selection of those delegates.
- 3. That all counties be encouraged to insure that minority view-points within the counties on any particular issue will be represented or at least presented to the Convention.
- 4. That there be a pre-Convention meeting of one delegate from each county (meeting at least two days prior to convening) to insure that adequate preparations for the Convention have in fact been made, and to accomplish those necessary things which have not been previously accomplished.

- 5. That the Convention accomplish the following: (not in order)
 - I. In each interest area (workshops), submit both policy and program/platform statements to the Convention
 - a. that policy recommendations (with provision made for substantial minority opinion presentations) be made which will be voted upon by the Convention and become part of the Major Policy Statement of the Convention.
 - b. that program/platform proposals will be printed up and distributed to the local level for vote in accordance with procedures outlined elsewhere.
 - II. Adopt a Major Policy Statement to which candidates will be bound and which will be binding unless overturned by the ratification procedure.
 - III. Endorse a candidate for U.S. Senator (and, as stated previously, possibly President & Vice-President), with the absolute provisio that any endorsed candidate is bound by the Major Policy Statement passed by the Convention and submitted to the local areas for ratification.

Thoughts regarding the Workshops:

Workshops are designed so as to be able to effectively distill and corrallate proposals from all counties which fall within a specific interest area (e.g. labor, foreign affairs, economics).

It is assumed that this will give a voice to all perspectives on any subject and will yet at the same time insure the Convention body as a whole will not get bogged down considering minor point A versus minor point B, etc.

The specific duties of the workshops will be to:

- 1. Devise a policy statement or statements (if there are any minority opinions held by a substantial/significant number of people) on the area of specialty, and this or these will be considered by the Convention as a whole.
- 2. Consider, simplify and make concise all those specific program/platform proposals brought to it by the counties, and report out those which it considers significant and upon which the organization should take a stand. (in this area it is assumed that, for instance, on the question of legalization of drugs, that marijuana will be under consideration. The workshop might report out: PROGRAM/PLATFORM STATEMENT---The use of marijuana by adults should be (a) legal

b) a misdemeanor

(c) a felony)

Two things should be kept in mind concerning the workshops. The items reported out to the floor of the Convention for policy consideration may carry a recommendation as to a particular position. And the program/platform items report out will be sent to the local level.

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The program/platform questions will be referred to the membership for vote at the local level. The vote must be certified to the State administrative body within thirty days following distribution of the printed matter to the counties. The certification must be in the mail and postmarked by midnight of the thirtieth day. The State administrative body will tabulate the vote and report the results back to the local areas.

There will be no block voting. All questions will be reported as to the number of aye votes and the number of nay votes on the basis of a one man-one vote count, and only those persons who are active in the Party to the extent that they will attend the meeting to vote will be permitted to be counted.

The policy questions voted upon by the Convention will be adopted subject to overturn by the membership during the ratification process. On this question the membership will be limited to a yes/no vote as to each policy area. In this way, it is possible that until the next Statewide meeting the Party might have no formal policy statement in that particular area. Local areas are entitled to have their own views in any area not already declared upon by the Convention, and to a differing view only when it is clearly and publically indicated that such view is in conflict with Statewide policy.

The Convention will have the authority to determine the nature of the State administrative organization.

PROPOSED RULES OF ORDER FOR THE PEACE & FREEDOM MOVEMENT CONVENTION as adopted by the Rules Subcommittee of the Convention Planning Committee, meeting in Los Angeles on the 18th of February A D 1968, and revised by the interim State Steering Committee meeting in Berkeley on the 22nd of February A D 1968. A. ORDER, OF PROCEDURE 1. The temporary chairman convenestthe convention. . . . A. P. 12 12 12 12 2. Report and action on credentials committee report. Report of rules committee. 15 11 E - 1 2 - 2 - 7 2 -4. Adoption of convention rules. - NO. 10715. 1-035 5. Election of convention chairmen. 6. Report of agenda committee. 7. Election of permanent convention agenda committee.

8. Proceed with the agenda.

B. CONVENTION OFFICERS

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1. The steering committee shall appoint the following officers:

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- a. Temporary chairman
- b. Temporary secretary
- c. Head monitor
- d. Parliamentarian
- 2. There shall be a TEMPORARY AGENDA COMMITTEE composed of the present steering committee which shall have the power to add other members when it is sitting as an agenda committee, in particular those individuals it is proposing as convention co-chairmen.
- 3. The convention shall elect:
 - a. FIVE ROTATING CO-CHAIRMEN. The steering committee shall solicit nominations from each county and then propose five to the convention. Additional nominations may be made from the convention floor. It is urged that nominations from the floor be submitted to the steering committee for consideration prior to the commencement of the convention.
 - b. PERM ANENT AGENDA COMMITTEE.
- C. SEATING: Seating on the floor of the convention shall be limited to delegates and alternates. There shall be no more than one alternate per delegate from each county.
- D. MOTIONS (How motions reach the floor)
- 1. All substantive motions must be submitted in writing to the cecording secretary before they can be presented to the convention
- 2. All substantive motions coming from workshops must be mimeographed and distributed to at least 1/3 of the delegates by the time of presentation.

- 3. Under an agenda item where there is a report from a workshop or a committee a substantive motion coming from the floor of the convention must be mimeographed and distributed to at least 1/3 of the delegates and seconded by 25% of the delegates present and voting before it may be considered by the bedy. (Seconding does not necessarily imply support.)
- 4. Substantive motions will be presented and voted on in the following order:
 - a. Majority report

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- b. Minority reports in the order of plurality within the reporting body
- c. Motions made from the floor in the order introduced from the floor

5. Amendments

- a. Any amendment ruled stylistic by the chairman shall be submitted to a styles committee appointed by the chair
- b. All substantive amend, ents must be submitted in legible writing to the recording secretary before they

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- are presented to the convention.
- c. All amendments must be mimeographed and distributed to at least 1/3 of the delegates before they can be brought to the floor and must be seconded by 10% of the delegates present and voting.

E. VOTING

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- Voting shall be by voting card. Voting cards shall be distinctive and not easily imitated. Alternates may vote only if the delegate hands over to the alternate his voting card.
- 2. Unless otherwise provided voting shall be by majority vote of all delegates present and voting. Abstentions shall not affect the outcome of the vote. Motions shall be seconded by 10% of the delegates present and voting unless otherwise specified by these rules.
- 3. Votes shall be taken by the following methods:
 - a. VOICE VOTE (on call of chairman)

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- b. VOTING CARD SHOWING, on demand of a delegate and 10% seconding, or at discretion of the chair
- c. STANDING CARD COUNT, on demand of a delegate and 25% seconding (the count to be taken by a committee of monitors acting as tellers)
 - d. A ROLL CALL by county, on demand of a delegate and seconded by 1/3 of delegates present & voting
- i. County delegationchairmen will report the actual counting of votes in their delegation (no unit voting)
- ii. Any delegate may challenge the roll call report of his county chairman and if 10% of the county's delegation second the challenge there shall be a roll call by delegate of that county's delegation.

rules, 3 F. SPECIAL RULES OF PROCEDURE 1. Adoption of convention rules a. There shall be a 10 min. presentation of the proposed rules, and a 10 min. question period. b . : b. MINORITY REPORTS shall have 5 min. each and a 5 min. question period. On demand of 10% of the body, they shall be given an additional 5 min. c. The convention shall select one of the reports as the main motion to be considered for amendment and adoption. d. AMENDMENTS shall be considered section by section; they shall require 10 makers and 10% of delegates present and voting seconding; they must be mimeographed and distributed to at least 1/3 of the delegates before they can be recognized. There shall be one 5 min. speaker for and one against each amendment. e. Verbal amendments may be made to (adopted) minority reports only if time precludes predistribution. All such verbal amendments shall require seconding by at least 10% of the voting delegates. f. The rules shall be voted on by section. Each requires as a majority of votes cast to pass. Each goes into effect as soon as passed. Until sections are adopted, these rules shall govern. 2. Nomination of U.S. Senate candidate a. Nominations speeches: 10 min. each b. Seconding statements: three 5 min. statements for each candidate c. Statement by the candidate: up to 15 minutes d. Floor debate shall extend for a total time computed by

- multiplying the number of candidates by 30 minutes
- e. Voting: Every candidate must have accepted the nomination orally, or if not present at the convention, in writing. The nomination requires the votes cast for the candidate in a number equal to a majority of the registered delegates. If the candidate receives less than 1/2 of a plurality on any ballot he shall be dropped from further balloting. A plurality is the total votes cast on that ballot divided by the number of candidates considered in that ballot.
- 3. Adoption of STATE STRUCTURE of Peace & Freedom Movement

The adoption of strucure shall require 60% of votes cast in order to pass.

- G. GENERAL RULES OF PROCEDURE
- 1. Motions may be made only by a recognized speaker upon show of delegate card.

- 2. Voting on multiple motions where more than 2 motions are to be voted upon together: If a motion receives less than ½ of a plurality on any ballot, it shall be dropped from any further balloting. A plurality is the total votes cast on that ballot divided by the number of motions considered in that ballot. If no motion receives a majority of votes cast, any receiving less than 15% shall be dropped from further voting, and if all have more than 15% the one receiving 1 east shall be dropped from further voting. Unless otherwise specifically provided for, no motion can be deemed passed by the convention until it receives a majority of votes cast.
- 3. After adoption of agenda, changes in the order of proceeding shall take 2/3 of votes cast; except motions to extend time for debate shall require a majority only.
- 4. Temporary suspension of rules: a particular section of the rules may be suspended by a 2/3 vote.
- 5. A quorum shall be 40% of the number of delegates registered at the convention. It may be called only once an hour, by a recognized speaker. It is not a point of order that can be made by shouting out.
- H. SPECIAL MOTIONS

There will be the following special procedural motions and no others.

1. Motion to Overrule the Chairman

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- a. Can be made immediately following a ruling the chairman by any delegate who vocally rises to challenge the chairman's ruling.
- b. This motion requires seonding by at least 10% of the members present & voting.
- c. This motion requires that the maker propose an alternative ruling.
 - d. Both the chairman and the maker of the motion may have 1 min. to speak.
- e. A majority vote of the delegates present and voting to overrule the chairman places the alternate procedure upon the floor when appropriate.
- 2. MOTION TO TABLE is not debatable if 2 or more speakers on each side have spoken to the substantive issue. Otherwise, 1 speaker for the motion to table and 1 against will be heard. A motion to table cannot specify a time for removing the tabled motion from the table. However, a motion to remove from the table a previously tabled motion may be made at any time that such a motion is not in conflict with the convention agenda. Either motion requires a majority vote. A motion to table may not follow a speech by the maker.
- 3. MOTION TO REFER TO A COMMITTEE requires a majority vote; there may be limited debate at the discretion of the chairman.
- 4. MOTION TO POSTPONE to a specified time: requires a majority vote and there may be limited debate at the discretion of the chairman.
- 5. The foregoing 2 motions may be combined in the form of a motion to refer to a committee to report back to the convention at a specified time. Also requires majority vote. Limited debate may be held at the discretion of the chairman.
- 6. MOTION TO RECONSIDER: must be made by at least 10 delegates who voted on the prevailing side (it shall be made by 1 delegate recognized by the chairman and when made it must be on file with the secretary signed by at least 10 delegates including the maker from the floor). A motion to reconsider must be seconded by 1/3 of the delegates present and voting and requires a majority to pass. Upon passage the motion which is to be reconsidered is on the floor as the main business of the body as if the reconsidered vote had not taken place.
- 7. MOTION ON PROCEDURE: this motion is a motion on how the body shall proceed. There shall be one speaker for and one against, except that there may be further debate at the discretion of the chairman. It requires a majority vote.
- 8. MOTION TO END DEBATE (Call or Move the Question). This motion is non-debatable, it may not be used if preceded by debate from the maker of the motion. Requires a majority vote. Before putting this motion to the vote the chairman may ask whether there are objections within the body to coming to an immediate vote on the motion being debated. If there are any objections voiced then this motion shall be put to a vote.

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- 9. MOTION TO RECESS: this motion is non-debatable and is out of order if made more than once an hour (subject to the discretion of the chairman). It requires a majority vote. The motion must specify the duration of the recess.
- 10. MOTION TO ADJOURN: this motion is non-debatable, subject to the discretion of the chairman. Requires a 2/3 vote if it is made before the previously adopted adjournment time. If made after that time it requires a majority vote. The chairman may rule it out of order if made more than once in an hour.

I. POINTS TO THE CHAIRMAN

These points may be made by shouting out. Except for personal privilage, they may not interrupt a speaker. The chairman may, at his discretion, rule that a delegate has abused a point and thereafter refuse to recognize another point from that delegate for a period of 20 minutes.

- 1. POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILAGE: This may only be used where there is an impairment to participation in the convention (e.g., loud noise, draft, etc). It may not be used to answer a personal attack.
- 2. POINTS OF ORDER: This is a challenge to the body or to the chairman when it is felt that the body or the chairman has deviated from its previously established rules or procedures.

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- 3. POINT OF INFORMATION: To ask the chairman a question relating the procedure of the body. It may not be used to interrogate a delegate or to give information or as argument. It may not be used to ask for substantive information on the matter pending before the convention.
- 4. CALL FOR A DIVISION: A division of the question may be made by the chairman at his discretion and shall be made upon demand of 1/3 of the delegates.
- 5. THERE SHALL BE NO OTHER POINTS

MOTIONS PASSED BY THE STATE STEERING COMMITTEE: 3/31/68

- 1. To pay senatorial candidate, Paul Jacobs, a salary of \$200 per week, after taxes, commencing 5/1/68 and continuing through November 5, 1968, plus expenses as authorized by the Campaign Committee, subject to the understanding that Mr. Jacobs will be available as a candidate/organizer/speaker to the PFM on a more or less full time basis.
- 2. That Bay Area State Office and Senatorial Campaign Headquarters be located at the same place.
- 3. That the Steering Committee authorize Paul Jacobs, within the next two weeks, meet with P&F people in the Bay area to discuss the location of the State Office/Campaign Headquarters and to report back to the Steering Committee his recommendation for location of the office.

 AMENDMENT: That Paul Jacobs, together with Movement Officers and Staff make the final decision.
- 4. That the recommendations of the Political Action Committee on the size/duration of the Statewide Senatorial Campaign Committee be adopted: i.e.: That a temporary Statewide Campaign Committee be set up, charged with the responsibilities of:
 - L. selecting a campaign manager in consultation with Jacobs within a week.
 - 2. initiating the campaign.

3. going out of exsistence in a month.

4. establishing a permanent Campaign Administrative Committee responsible to the Steering Committee (subject to ratification by the Steering Committee).

That transportation expenses for the temporary campaign committee be covered by the State operation for a maximum of two meetings.

RECOMMENDED MEMBERSHIP FOR TEMPORARY STATEVIDE CAMPAIGN COMM:

P. Franck (Alameda) Les Aisenman (L.A.)
Manuel Gomez (Alemeda) Lloyd Morgan (S.F.)
Leonard Jones (San Diego) John Maser (S.F.)

Eldridge Cleaver (Bay Area) Marilyn Moorehead (Alameda)

Hugh Manes (ex officio)

Suggest that committee meets in the North, and that Peter Franck be convener.

- 5. That the balance of the Administrative Committee report and the Political Action report on the Senatorial Campaign be accepted in total AUNIMITEE REPORT: recommendations that the Campaign Committee:
- a. be directed to see that the carpaign is issue oriented rather than candidate oriented.
- b. be directed to assure compliance with ACF relicies and that the condidate articulate the peration of PAT
- c. that high priority orientation be directed to the black and brown communities.
- d. that the committee be responsible for approving all campaign publicity and that this publicity be directed towards the building of the movement as a prime consideration.
- e. that the committee be responsible for developing a procedure for the receiving and allocation of campaign funds.
- f. to assure the pledges of candidates to appoint members selected by the movement to the State Central Committee and all other party officers.
- g. insure that regular reports to the State Administrative and Steering Committees.
- h. to provide for coordination with campaigns of local candidates.

POLITICALCAL ACTION REPORT: That we ask Jacobs in his speeches (and general

MOTIONS PASSED BY THE STATE STEERING COMMITTEE: 3/31/68 PAGE TWO 1. Located in the North PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE: 2. Function essentially as an editorial board. 3. Responsible for soliciting materail. 4. Responsible for arranging reproduction. Committee would be free to function unless a major political disagreement occurred, in which case it could be referred to the Steering Committee; any one individual member on the Publications Committee could refer an item to the Steering Committee. Publications Committee members may write themselves, or getable to write - Committee decides what is appropriate. RECOMMENDED MEMBERSHIP OF PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE: Mike Parker (Alameda) Eldridge Cleaver (Bay Area) Kathy Dahlgren (S.F.) Carlos Hernandez (Alameda) Paul Phillips (Contra Costa) Marvin Garson added, as above SUGGESTED TOPICS FOR PUBLICATIONS COMMITTEE: 1. Black liberation; 4. Kennedy/McCarthy; 5. SHORT leaflet on Kennedy/McCarthy 2. White Communities; 6. Reprint of insert from Alameda P&F newspaper 3. Why P&F 9. . to adopt the proposal of the Political Action Committee regarding the establishment of a Research and Internal Education Committee. AMENDED TO PROVIDE: That a Steering Committee member be on that committee (that Steering Committee member to be Herb Siegal): RESEARCH AND INTERNAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE: 1. Located in the South 2. Responsible forrresearch 3. Develop the kind of materials needed by candidates, speakers, and the movement as a whole. Committee would be free to function unless a major political disagreement occurred, in which case it could be referred to the Steering Committee. Weinberg, Siegal and Jones volunteered to set up the committee (not necessarily including themselves (AMENDED TO INCLUDE A STEERING COMMITTEE MEMBER, HERB SIEGAL) and report back to the next meeting of the Steering Committee. One staffperson to be instructed to relate to that committee. 9. That Fred Wolf be authorized to contact the speakers recommended by the *Political Action Committee to check on availability; that speakers be requested to address themselves to building a third party movement in this country and that they not make their focus of presentation being anti; establishment candidates. P&F to pay expenses, but no honorarium SPEAKERS: Norm Chalmsky, Carl Oglesby, Howard Zenn, Ralph Schonman, Herbert Macuse, Norman Mailer, ADDED: Paul Goodman, Connor Cruz, O'Brien, Bob Scheer 10. To adopt the proposal of the Political Action Committee on the 18 year old initiative drive: To do all we can to associate the initiative drive with immediate withdrawal, black liberation, police harrassment, education reform and the need for the P&F Movement. That a vigorous publicity campaign be carried out which clearly identifies the 18 year old initiative drive with PFN. To adopt the proposals of the Administrative Committee on the Assembling, 12. editing, and distribution of policy statements, platform proposals, and Convention minutes: i.e.: 1. All platforms and program proposals submitted to the State Office prior

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- 3. That the minutes and statements of the convention be prepared and sent out with a brief explanation of the convention in relation to major issues.
- 4. That the propositions from the Black/Brown caucus be sent out like propositions of the other caucuses and workshops and that these propositions be considered referrals unless the minutes state otherwise.
- 5. That immediately on adoption of a Coalition Black/Brown treaty, a position paper to explain the treaty and appropriate documents be sent out to all counties.

6. That ecology minority report be added to the referral ballot.

- 7. That we approve the mechanism for voting on questions as stated in the proposal submitted by the staff: "Each proposition shall be voted on separately, recording the number voting yes and number voting no and that this procedure apply to the program (action proposals) or to platform."
- 13. To adopt the Finance Committee Report:
 That a finance subcommittee be established and be mandated to take action on the following points:

1. Institute a system of assessments

NOTE: MOTIONS PASSED AS INSTRUCTIONS TO THE FINANCE COMMITTEE:

finance committees to strongly solicit pledges to the state organization.

b. Institute a system of couty organization assessment (in proportion to registration) as a method of basic statewide funding with direct relationship to membership credentialing. That the committee establish the assessment, send to the counties for ratification within two weeks from date of receipt.

2. Solicit from counties itemized statements on registration drive debts and assign priority for repayment and to specifically consider the Alameda/Parker request.

3. The office of State Treasurer be established and that names of potent-

ial candidates be sought.

4. A position of comptroller/auditor be established and that names of potential candidates be sought.

5. That the Administrative Committee meet to select a State Treasurer

and comptroller/auditor.

6. That the functions of State Treasurer and the relationship of the county treasurers be defined.

7. The finance subcommittee be required to submit regular reports to the Steering Committee.

The functions of the comptroller/auditor and the relationship to the finance committee and State Treasurer be defined.

- 9. That this be a southern based <u>committee</u> and that <u>Herb Siegal</u> (convener) and Bonnie Ferrin be nominated as members.
- 14. To adopt the recommendations of the Finance Committee on the establishment of a Fund Raising Subcommittee:

 THAT a Fund Raising Subcommittee be established and be mandated to take action on the following points:

1. That the position of fund raiser and the number of Fund Raisers be established and the committee shall determine the basis for remuner-

ation.

2. That the subcommittee establish a policy for sharing funds raised locally with county or local organizations.

3. That the Fund Raising Subcommittee in coordination with the Fund Raiser establish policies and procedures for continuing fund raising programs.

programs.

MOTIONS PASSED BY THE STATE STEERING COMMITTEE: 3/31/68 PAGE FOUR both north and south, from the list recommended. That members of these working committees be specifically chosen from outside the present and former Steering Committees. There shall be mandatory consultation of proposals with the State Chairman, who is an ex officio member. That these committees be mandated to draw up plans for organizing and convening a statewide deliberative body. That the mandate of the deliberative body shall be as declared

at the Convention.

That the deliberative body be specifically mandated to establish a procedure for recall of the Steering Commuttee. NOMINATIONS: Derek Casady, Warren Levenson, John Mueser, Peter Fuss, Phil Melnick, Mike Jones, Lloyd Morgan, Joe Edmonston, Freitjof Thygeson, Herb Schor, Margie Casady, Terry Johnson, Marvin Garson, Tom Condit.

- 16. That the proposals of the Administrative Committee for the establishment of a permanent Administrative Subcommittee be adopted: That an Administrative Subcommittee be formed to coordinate office functions in the north and south and that this committee be composed of Hugh Manes, Les Aisenman, and James Vann and be expanded as necessary.
- 17. That a bill for expenses (stationery, printing, etc.) for \$168 submitted by Mike Neyman be paid. NOTE: Chair ruled that this motion be implemented immediately.
- That a bill for expenses related to repair of P&F bus for \$40, submitted by Leni Goldberg be paid. NOTE: Chair ruled that this motion be implemented immediately.
- 19. That all bills submitted for less than \$500 be referred to the Administrative Subcommittee for payment without the necessary approval of the State Steering Committee
- That the proposal of the Administrative Committee on the 18 year old initiative petition drive be adopted: To authorize the administrative subcommittee to order 4,000 petitions and authorize the Administrative Subcommittee to make final decisions re the ordering of these petitions from whatever source is most expedient.

THAT we recommend that the 18 year old initiative subcommittee consider the names if Israel Feuer, Lew McCammon and George Abend as members of the subcommittee.

That we allocate up to \$300 to the Administrative Subcommittee to spend for initial expenditures for obtaining the 18 year old initiative petition.

That we encourage people less than 21 years old who cannot sign the petiton to indicate their support by a 50 cent contribution.

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- 21. That the fourth delegate nominated from Alameda County be seated when and if any member nominated from Alameda County resigns and that this procedure be ratified by the Dliberative Body.
- 22. That the diliberative body be charged with establishing a policy on alternates.
- 23. That we donate \$1,000, \$600 the first week and \$400 the second week, to Alameda County in support of the Huey Newton Compaign.
- 24. That a subcommittee be formed, representative of the Steering Committee, which will, in consultation with the Panthers, pick a date of statewide major mobilization on Free Huey Newton.

 RECOMMENDED PERSONNEL FOR SUBCOMMITTEE: Eldridge Cleaver
- 25. That there be a State Steering Committee meeting in four weeks-April 27/28.
- 26. That a State Steering Committee meeting be scheduled for April 13/14 which may be cancelled by the Administrative Committee if it is not deemed necessary.
- 27. Chairman has the authority to call a State Steering Committee Meeting on an emergency basis.
- 28. To table referral to club of preamble to Coalition Implementation Committee Report (treaty) until after the treaty is dealt with.
- 29. To ratify the Black/Brown caucus Coalition Implementation Treaty.
- 30. To adopt report from Administrative Committee on distribution of responsibilities and staff between the North/South Offices, and to authorize the State Administrator to implement or alter as necessary; and, in consultation with the Administrative Committee, the State Administrator shall engage all necessary personnel and establish salaries, subject to review of the Steering Committee.

STAFF:

NORTH
Office Coordinator
Office Manager
Press & PR
Campaign Manager
Campaign Secretary
18 yr old drive coordinator
Huey Newton Camp. Coordinator
Stop the Draft Week Coordinator

SOUTH
State Administrator
Office Manager
Press & PR
Fund Raiser

18 yr old drive coordinator

OTHER STAFF: State rganizers, Office Staff, Newspaper Editor, Research Coordinator

RESPONSIBILITIES:

NORTH

Communication with counties Press/PR Campaigns Coordinator 18 year old drive Stop the Draft Week Free Huey Newton Campaign Speakers Bureau Finance & Fund Raising SOUTH
Administration & Structure
Implementation
Communication with co.s
Press/PR
Campaigns Coordinator
18 year old drive

Speakers Bureau Finance & fund raising

MOTIONS PASSED BY THE STATE STEERING COMMITTEE: 3/31/68 PAGE SIX

- 32. That we not release the ext for the Black/Brown Caucus
 Implementation Treaty until the next meeting of the Steering
 Committee and that we operate in the interim on the sense of the treaty;
 - That we make travel money available to any member of the Black/Brown Coalition Committee for the next Steering Committee meeting.
- NOTE: CHAIR RULING: That implementation of the treaty be stayed pending further negotiation on implementation to be considered at the next meeting of the Steering Committee.
- 33. To establish a P&F Movement bank account in Los Angeles.
- 34. That decision on the priorities of allocation of funds be made by the Administrative Committee and that for that period in which Jim Vann does not accept that authority, that Lloyd Morgan be designated as his alternate in that capacity.

SUGGESTED AMENDMENTS

(Substitutions or additions are underlined)

STRUCTURE

under IV. County Convention

d) elect at least four paid county staff who shall manage the office, raise funds, publish the newsletter and act as field representative.

- b)not exceeding eight in number and elect/ a permanent chairman for each issue committee who can be the delegate to the coordinating council.

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 - g) elect the editorial board of the newsletter. # and

under V. Area Councils

substitute five for four -- There shall be five area councils

a) recruit active members, educate and orient these law new members and actively involve them in colicy initiative.

under VI. Dues All members must pay dues of at least one dollar monthly,

under VIII. Coordinating Council h) determine the geographic boundaries of the area councils based on approximately equal numbers of P and F registrants and a moint temporary conveners for the first area council meetings.

ISSUES

Racism

a) Free Huey Newton and the Black & Chears Mills order adent and Education
d) develope and articulate a P and F program out of order for students and further P and F campus mounts. Student and Education ments.

COUNTY STRUCTURE PROPOSAL WHEREBY EVERY FUNCTION GROWS.

OUT OF THE PROGRAM AS FLOWERS GROW OUT OF THE SOIL.

The following suggested structure responds to our nature as a movement-oriented party of part-time activists; speaks to our need to expand by making ourselves necessary to the people through acting locally on matters of universal concern; handles our concern for our own freedom from internal exploitation and/or manipulation by making our leadership responsible to, part of, elected and rotated by the general, active membership; provides for significant cultural, educational and social content; and attempts to remedy our past failures and preserve our successes in organization. It is, therefore, fervently hoped that the following proposal will please everyone who is capable of being satisfied with less than the ultimate perfection.

Suggested Movement Direction: --- Education Through Action

Suggested Movement Composition --- Our organization: participatory

Democracy.

Suggested Movement Perspective --- Our object: Power to the People

DELEGATES MAKING UP THE CO-ORDINATING COMMITTEE

ONE DELEGATE FOR EVERY TEN
ACTIVE MEMBERS OR PART OF
TEN BEYOND FIVE ONCE THE FIRST
TEN IS REACHED. ACTIVE DEFINED
AS MINIMUM NUMBER OF HOURS
OF WORK PER WEEK.

SUGGESTED COUNTY- WIDE PROBRAM

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Supra-county delegates to be elected at the open convention. Our relationship to the state and nation to be determined at the first post-convention mass meeting.

RSF GROWTH

After first cledring with the membership of their respective issue groups, the Coordinating Committee delegates will determine the agenda for the mass-membership Wonday night meetings.

The mass meetings will be solit into two halves. The first half for general discussion on all matters germane to San Francisco Peace & Freedom members: the second for splitting up into program-point committees to discuss the past week's experience and determine the future week's activity. The Coordinating Committee will also be concerned with analysing the relevant unexpected, sifting information and ideas on discovered programm and structure rigidities and weaknessess and, after as much consultation with the active membership as possible, suggesting improvements in structure, additions to the program, or methods for handling energencies to the membership at large.

- * Fund Raisers of each issue-group will organize together the "extra-issue" fund-raising -- e.g., pledges for the general fund, bail money, benefits. They will also work out jointly the proper allocation of funds from each issue-group to keep the county office running.
- * Publicity People for each issue-group will also be responsible for general publicity and proparanda where it is necessary. They will also but out the county newspaper.

Wherever extra-issue material is available for the newspaper--e.g., on the Panthers, state, or national activity--it shall be included by decision of the publicity people, acting jointly.

- * Speakers: Though it is apparent that the public spokesmen for our organization will be mainly our candidates, people will be needed, not only to speak on a specific issue (these can be handled internally by the appropriate issue-group), but also for a more general presentation—e.g., our monthly fifteen-minute slots on KPFA. These P&F spokesmen should be selected jointly by the elected speakers of all issue-groups.
- * Coulton Street Office Manager: We have had absolutely no success with permanent office managers. No single individual seems capable of satisfying all factions; and the job is crucifying for any single individual. Therefore, we suggest that the issue-groups select individuals who will be responsible for the manning of the office on an alternating basis. This way, our center is run by those working on our program, there is reasonable rotation, the office does not become a center of power or a vacuum to be filled, and we all be as close to satisfied as possible in this imperfect world.
- * Rotation of Leadership: Since leadership is best demonstrated by example rather than by voice or title,

there is obviously ample room for S.F. P&F's true leaders to define themselves to the membership at large through their action on the issues. Since all experience teaches us that the responsibilities of leadership become distorted, perverted, and finally ignored altogether in direct proportion to the "leadership's" alienation from the rank-and-file, consequent upon its becoming frozen in a leadership position, it is understood that all local leadership be elected by the directly involved body -- e.g., each issue-group elects its own delegates, etc., and defines their tenure and methods of recall. Again, those elected to extra-county bodies -e.g., state steering committee, state assembly, and the national organizing committee -- be elected only for the period between conventions. All shall resign and be subject to re-election or rejection at each quarterly open convention. It is to be hoped that since our task is to build and radiate leadership rather than worship at its feet as much rotation will be aimed for as is consistent with effective continuity and appropriate choice according to the skills, experience, desire, and availability of those seeking such posts.

* Neighborhood Groups: B ecause the NHG concept was and is a good one on the score of geographical convenience, de-velopment of social interrelationships, knowledge of area, maximum distribution of responsibility, and convenience for

building new membership locally, this kind of grouping should be encouraged so long as it operates within an issue or issues and is not a factional grouping of fencesitters or sulking dissidents (Surely our commitment can only be measured justly by the degree of our involvement in the carrying out of the county-wide program as determined democratically at the open convention).

Coalitions: Since coalitions, at least in the beginning, are based on coincidence of interest around an issue or issues, it is to be assumed that we will work industriously to form such with those organizations that are already actively seeking people to fulfill any of our program points -- especially the anti-war groups. Furthermore, since P&F, if not designed as such, is certainly a perfect vehicle for forming coalitions, given its broad base, its open acceptance of all (Left) groups, its involvement in electoral politics, and its internal structure of participatory democracy, we should always be actively seeking to broaden our strength through principled alliances -- e.g., the one we have with the Panthers. After disdussion at the co-ordinating committee level, delegates from the specific issue-groups most relevantly involved should approach "X" group on the question of a coalition. This must be subject to final ratification or rejection at the mass-membership meeting on the following Monday night.

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* Research: Each issue-group will have its own researcher(s), but in order to avoid duplication and waste of time and so that each can share experience and ideas, they will work together as much as possible.

REPORT ON CONTINUING ACTIVITY

THE EACE & FREEDOM CABARET is designed to become the cultural expression and social gathering place for P&F in San Francisco. Its artistic activities—internally and in the streets—will articulate the general vision of P&F's creative artists and be used as a propaganda weapon on the specific issues of our concern. The cabaret's center for drinking, eating, rapping, and relaxing will certainly be conducive to the development of that all-important sense of community so desperately needed on the Left. It will be a center where books, papers, and pamphlets can be bought or borrowed, and where classes can be conducted in the history, struggles, and theory of the Left.

All of the profits which are derived from this permanent creative adventure will be used to fill the coffers for our county-wide program.

For those Peace & Freedom people who have asked me what the Council is, and what it is they do, here are excerpts from the Council Structure:

The California Peace & Freedom Convention sahll be the supreme deliberative body of the California Peace & Freedom Party/Movement...the P&F Convention shall be held annually at the direction of the California P&F Council.

The Council shall be composed of representatives elected from each County and all voting members of the State Steering Committee. County representatives shall be apportioned on the basis of one representative for each 1000 registrants...with a minimum of one representative per county where a P&FM organization exists.

The Council shall meet no less than once every three months...Council representatives

must be given at least one week notice of all meetings.

Between annual conventions, the Council shall direct the State Steering Committee in carrying out the decisions of the P&FM Convention. It may adopt new policy by a majority vote, subject to rejection by a majority vote of the membership of the P&FM in a referendum to be held within thirty days of such action. A two-thirds vote of the Council shall be required to reverse policy decisions of the California P&FM Convention, subject to rejection by a majority vote of the membership of the P&FM.

AT THE REQUEST OF COUNTY ORGANIZATIONS REPRESENTING NO LESS THAN 10% OF THE REGISTERED VOTERS OF THE P&F PARTY, THE STATE STEERING COMMITTEE SHALL BE DIRECTED TO HOLD A STATE REFERENDUM ON SUCH ISSUES AS ARE PRESENTED TO IT, PROVIDING THAT NO COUNCIL SESSION

IS ON THE CALENDER FOR THE ENSUING THIRTY DAYS.

(State) Steering Committee members may be recalled upon a motion seconded by a majority of the Council representatives from the counties responsible for his nomination, and approved by a majority of the Council. Steering Committee vacancies may be filled by a majority vote of the Council following nominations by a Caucus of the representatives of the county or counties from which a vacancy exists. Members can also be recalled and elected within the county from which they were nominated.

The way I see it: In the same way the Neighborhood Groups elect a delegate to the County Council to represent the views, and to work toward implementing the programs of that Neighborhood Group on a County level, the County as a whole elected representatives to the California Council to do the same for that county on a state level.

The function of the State Steering Committee, though its members are selected on a county basis, is to carry out the decisions of the state through the P&FM annual convention...at the direction of the California Council...who are elected by the county...by people from neighborhood groups...who originally elected delegates to go to the annual Convention...and around and around a around.

The minutes of the California Council will be out soon, so I won't go into too much detail about a two day meeting. Since a lot of voting was done on matters both important and unimportant, please don't expect this to be an objective report...it ain't.

Hugh Manes, State Chairman, started out the meeting with a short statement pointing

out the necessity of P&F to relate to what is going on outside of the Party.

The adoption of the Rules of Order took a lot longer than it should have, but that is par for P&F. The *20 second silence" which was originated by the H/A Independent (and first used successfully at the Richmond Convention), was accepted as an amendment to the Rules of Order.

The State Steering Committee members, though having voting rights, will not vote on

matters personally involving them (i.e., salaries, tenure, recall, etc.).

Chairman elected for the meeting were Jim Vann (North State Vice-Chairman), Les Aisenman (South State Vice-Chairman), Jack Weinberg, and Barbara Stevens (someone decided we should have a woman chairman - tokenism, but she fooled them and did a very nice job).

Paul Jacobs, our senatorial candidate, gave the Keynote address. He spoke mainly about what is happening in P&F around the state...the unity that is becoming prevelant, especially in the smaller counties.

Les Aisenman, State Administrator, gave a report on the state of the Movement: We are in bad shape financially, and will continue that way until people start making realistic committments and sticking to them...he gave an explanation of the sub-committees of the State Steering Committee and their functions (i.e., 18 Year Old Vote, National Organizing, and State Organizing Committees).

In the next item of business it became clear that there were vacancies on the State Steering Committee but no one seemed to know just where. The one clear resignation from

Kathy Dalgren was accepted and Chris Raisner was accepted as her replacement.

The Coalition Treaty with the Black/Brown Caucus was presented and after much argument about whether or not it should be amended it was finally accepted as written - pending statewide approval. The deadline for voting on the Treaty has been extended, but I'm not sure what the new date is. If you don't have a copy of the Treaty call Colton St. (431-0383) and let them know.

(It's my own opinion that no amendments should be made to a Treaty coming out of the Black/Brown Coalition Body. It should be ratified or rejected on a statewide basis - period. By amending the Treaty we get right back into the Establishments old sickening bag of telling the minority groups, "This is what we think you should want." The minority groups know better than we what the wants and needs of their constituants are and it's time we started listening instead of talking.)

Also speaking at the Council was Tom Hayden from New York, former Chairman of the SDS. He gave the opinion of an 'outsider' as to what the P&FP looks like it's all about.

Workshops were the last of the Saturday business. I took some time to look in on

all of them so I could give you some idea of what they were doing:

'Constitution & Structure' - There has been a Structure designed by the North State Structure Committee and it was discussed. As it stands now an ongoing statewide structure/constitution committee will be set up to work out, between now and the next California Council, a structure for the acceptance by the Council and then, of course, statewide ratification or rejection.

'Presidential Search' - the discussion mainly centered on what kind of candidate, if any, P&F would want to select. A man of 'issues' (a Cleaver?) or a man with a mass following (a Spock?). I think both kinds combined would be nice...anybody got any ideas???

'Electoral Problems' - What has been learned in recent campaigns around the state. Comparison of how the different counties ran their campaigns; and rap on what or what not to do next time.

'Fund Raising & Finances' - Probably had the most difficult job. They had to come up with some kind of structure for the next day which would be acceptable. I think they did a hell of a good job. Unfortunately (neglectfully?), I wasn't taking notes at the time their proposal was accepted as amended on Sunday. The sense of the proposal adopted was: That the state would be responsible for publishing monthly, a proposed budget (and let's keep in mind that it is hard to read the future.), and a financial report. That the County and the State would both maintain a 50/50 split on all funds -- except those donated specifically for earmarked purposes.

Sunday contained hot debate on the issue of national organizing. It was finally decided that we should have national organizing. The main argument against it is that we should not spread oursel es too thin; that we must build in California first. I happen to disagree and I voted for National Organizing because I belive this is not the time to wait. There are other organizations now forming across the country. If we wait we become isolated. The 'elite' group which irons out the bugs (we should be so lucky!) and then presents its programs to a waiting nation. But by that time they won't be waiting anymore. Because of the problems facing the nation as a whole, we must reach out and involve all those who care about fighting to solve those problems. Then we work together for the change of this establishment. (It also makes the long hard pull for change easier to take if you're not alone.)

Last, but not least, the issue of the conventions for purposes of nominating Presidential and Vice-Presidential candidates.

Yes, we will have a State Nominating Convention. There will be, on the weekend of August 3/4, mass conventions in both the North and the South, with probably still the idea of telephone hook-ups between them.

And yes, we will if at all possible have a national convention. The State Steering Committee and the National Organizing Committee were instructed that if for some reason it becomes not feasible to have a National Nominating Convention (it is entirely possible that no other state would want to hold such a convention), they will report both the pros and cons by letter with a ballot. This to be done no later than the week prior to the State Nominating Convention.

There was some discussion as to whether or not the decision to hold a National Convention was making policy. I think that's ridiculous...are we or are we not a political party? Do political parties, or do they not, have (or try to have) presidential candidates??

It was decided that we would have the National Convention, but a large argument occured over an amendment to that proposal. First there was an amendment passed (relatively easily) that read: Immediately following the National Convention, there shall be a California Council meeting to determine if California will certify resulting nominations and to relay to the legal convention in Sacramento the nomination to be certified. The second amendment, the one that caused in the end a roll call vote, read: That the decision of the National Convention not be binding on California or any other participating state. It was accepted by a vote of 37 to 26. I voted yes. I voted yes not because I liked the amendment (what a dumb way to run a convention), but because I felt by the first amendment, in which we decided that California would not be bound, we were in turn telling the other states that they must be bound by the decision of the National Convention. And I thought that was a ludicrous thing to tell them. Since then I have thought about it and realized that by voting yes I took the also, ludicrous position of telling the other states what they must do, but just the other way around. And all I can say to that is...you can't win them all.

All in all it was a very interesting Council Meeting.

Lleone Parfinsky
'Lower Valley NHG'
California Council Delegate
San Francisco County

DELEGATES PRESENT

Jan Tissot
Ray Davis
Tom McCarthy
John Meuser
Eric Murphy
Harry Orr
Ric Hyland
Lleone Parfinsky
Dennis Moscofian
Sheila Brown
Chris Raisner

DELEGATES ABSENT

Brenda Goodman Joe Edmiston Alex Stein Fred Thalheimer Bruce Hartford The California Council of the Peace and Freedom Movement met on June 15 -16. The meeting and its agenda were prepared by a sub-committee of the State Steering Committee.

The Council voted to allow the 21 members of the State Steering Committee to vote in the deliberative body on matters not concerning their tenure or functions. They are excluded from a quorum. Hereafter the State Steering Committee vacancies shall be filled, and recall procedures initiated, at the county level for the larger counties. The smaller counties shall fill vacancies and initiate recall from the small county caucus within the California Council.

The Council voted to extend the referendum period for the Coalition Treaty with the Black-Brown Caucus. Only six groups had reported on acceptance and all others had not reported at all. Many areas had not even received copies of the Treaty.

NATIONAL ORGANIZING

The Council agreed in principle to organize nationally. It agreed on the necessity for establishing policy guidelines but never did in fact enact.any.

The State Steering Committe was instructed by the Council "to put together a meaningful national convention" to nominate a presidential candidate. The State Steering Committee was empowered to cancel plans for a national convention (if the national organizing Committee's report were unfavorable) no later than one week prior to the State Conventions. All Council delegates were to receive the report and a ballot and vote yes or no by mail whether to hold a national convention or not.

The Council voted to hold two non-delegated conventions (Aug. 3-4 one northern, one southern) to elect delegates to the national convention. If the national convention is cancelled, the slate obtaining the highest number of votes at the State conventions shall be binding, and shall be submitted to the Secretary of State Aug. 24 at the convention in Sacramento(required by law). If the national convention is held, final certification of its report rests with the California Council which will meet simultaneously with the official convention in Sacramento Aug. 24 Thursday at 10 A.M.

WORKSHOPS (Preceding the debate on national organizing)

"Presidential search-" no report.

2. "Electoral problems"-no report.

3. "P&F Constitution"- a report recommending discontinuance of the northern and southern committees, replacement of these by a 3 -man committee (experts) expanding to a 15 man committee (12 selected proportionately from counties).

4. "Finances & Fund-raising" - 2 reports. Minority report adopted with amendments. In substance it allows ear-marked funds and requires the counties to turn over 50% of their receipts to the state organization.

OTHER

The Council endorsed and urged participation in the Poor Peoples' March on Sacramento June 19.

REMARKS:

State organizing was last on the agenda and the Council adjourned without ever discussing this subject. The decision to organize nationally showed roughly a 60-40 split statewide on this issue. The majority of the San Francisco delegation seemed to vote with the minority judging by the one roll-call vote that was taken.

Sheila Brown

MINUTES OF STATE STEERING COMMITTEE: August 2, 1968

MEMBELS PRESENT: Les Aisenman, Marilyh Morehaed, Herb Seigel, Morman Spector, Mike Schon, Bonnie Ferring

OBSERVERS: John Haag, Jane Gordon Jack Weinberg of Miles of

Heeting convened at approximately 6:30 p.m., Les Aisenman presiding as Chairman.

1.01 EHEAD: Purpose of meeting: There was a meeting last week of the Steering Committee. Among other things discussed at that meeting was a discussion of what groups may come to the National Convention (Aug. 17-18: Ann Arbor Hichigan).. There was discussion of criteria established by the National Organizing Committee. A motion was passed by the Steering Committee to strike the provision which would limit participation to one organization per state. (She) had received information that Ann Arbor would not host the convention if the motion to strike that limitation were allowed to stand.

CHAIR: A call (was) expected from Colton Street during the course of this meeting, where the Morthern members of the Steering Committee were meeting simultaneously. That call was to inform South Committee of the agenda of the North Committee.

Wishes to go on record challenging the validity of the meeting, in view of provisions previously made calling for three day notice of meetings.

Two items for the agenda of the South Committee:
Request from the Senate Campaign Committee;
Request to rescind the motion passed by the Steering
Committee re criteria for attending the Mational Convention. Suggested that items be heard in that order.

LOUISE HONACO: Requested allocation of \$260 (to pay staff and expenses for the Senate Campaign for the coming week) from the fund pitch to be made at the Nominating Convention on August 3. Similar request has been made from the North Committee.

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HOTEHEAD & SEIGEL: Feel that in view of the fact that the State office cannot pay its own bill, the STate cannot afford such an allocation.

SPECTOR: Feels priority should be payment of salaries of people on staff in the P&FM. Senate Campaign is the most visible effort presently of the State organization. Feels we should make an effort to make some contribution for salaries if sufficient funds are available from the convention.

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CHAIR: Noted that Ric Hyland showed him a letter sent to Pa. P&F telling them that they did not qualify to attend the convention - also California P&F organizers were sent to Pa. to organize people out from under the P&F group/ which qualified for the ballot. Questions were also raised re attendance by New York Freedom & Peace Party.

MOREHEAD: ...found out additional information regarding Pennsylvania. there were always two groups - one group - consumer group - program of which is similar to ours...People who put P&F on the ballot in Pa. are also backers of McCarthy...source of information: Dave Friedman - activist in N.Y. P&F now in Berkeley working for P&F...

WEINBERG: when in New York, he and Brian were told that people who qualified P&F in Pa. were backers of McCarthy...P&F there has no base organization...intended P&F to be a holding operation to back up move for McCarthy...also advised of existence of "consumer party", which ran independent candidates...had fairly large base ...refused to merge with P&F party which qualified...organizing on club basis... with mostly black members....this information is dated, but consistent with subsequent information...

CHAIR: Asked Jack, as former member of National Organizing Committee, why Bob Speck was sent to Pa. to organize another P&F group...when apparently another similar group existed.

WEINBERG: Doesn't know...could speculate...perhaps Speck was going there anyway...

CHAIR: Per Ric Hyland, this is not so ...

WEINBERG: Perhaps Speck was sent to establish relationship between

P&F and consumer group...

HAAG: his information on P&F in Pennsylvania is similar to Jack's...in Evanston (Ill.) in late April, he wrote to all groups he knew of re possibility of national newsletter.
...received from PA P&F a Xerox copy of a news article stating that Gregory/Spock ticket was to endorse/support McCarthy...name of the group is Pennsylvania Citizens for a Peace and Freedom Ticket...

CHAIR: Quest @ possible motivation of sending Speck to Pa.
WEINBERG: Probably to push cooperative effort between Consumer group and this operation under the name of P&F.

CHAIR: According to Ric, Consumer group declined to participate in National Convention...and Speck was not working with them... but organizing independently...

SEIGEL: Noted that while he was up North, there was a lot of hard feeling re the fact that the National Organizing Committee appears to be organizing around Cleaver...

HAAG: Met two people while he was traveling...they did not appear to be organizing for Cleaver but for P&F.

SPECTOR: Questioned the states those organizers were sent to...and if petition drives were held in those states.

HAAG: Sent to Minnesota, Illinois...(Haag) started petition drive in Illinois...not largely successful...

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HAAG: At the time he left (Mid March), there was no question of Cleaver's candidacy...after Eldridge Cleaver announced his candidacy, he found it much easier to talk to people about organizing...Black Panthers ære more well known outside Calif. than P&F...Cleaver has a lot of stature outside Calif...his overall conclusion is: outside of Calif., we are at the stage of involving people already oriented to the movement to organize for P&F...in that context, Cleaver is the logical organizing candidate...his prediction is that if Cleaver is nominated, there will be an active write-in campaign in Illinois...if Gregory is nominated, does not anticipate a similar response...

CHAIR: Report from the North half of the Steerin g Committee:

No information on the amount of money to be allocated to the Senate Campaign from the North Convention. They will hear National Convention Report: from National Organizing Committee and Nominating Convention Report. First action was to acknowledge new members of the Steering Committee from San Francisco: Bruce Hartford to replace Lloyd Morgan, Mary Levy to replace Brian Heron...there has been a request from Ric Hyland that people who were nominated for the National National organizing Committee who cannot go to Ann Arbor should be replaced...Ric suggested that Brian Heron be put on that committee (as he will be in Michigan on his way back from the East Coast)...Peter Franck is willing to go...Marty Primack willing, but has no funds...Ric Hyland advises that there are not sufficient funds to pay his way ... motion will be place on the floor for a full financial report from the National Organizing Committee... They (North Committee) did endorse enlargement of National National Organizing Committee... They have not voted on the motion to rescind the limitation to one delegation per state.

SCHON: Feels that perhaps Ric has "panicked" precipitously...motion passed by the Steering Committee last week would not effectively change the outcome...inasmuch as the ultimate decision as to who may participate will be made by the credentials committee at the National Convention...

MOTION (2) (FERRIN): To rescind the motion passed by the South State
Steering Committee to rescind the limitation of one delegation
per state being allowed to participate in the National Convention.

DISCUSSION

SPECTOR: Motivation for rescinding the limitation is that the convention should be open to all groups who have similar political perspectives, and who have held either an open convention to select delegates, a registration drive or petition drive...

CHAIR: Does not feel that the manner in which New York organizations work out internal conflicts should be a matter of consideration for California P&F...both groups could be legitimately credentialed...there may be several similar organizations in some states who have not yet made any cooperative efforts with each other...by relating to only one group, we rule out the possibility of working with other groups...it has been sugges-

MOTION (4) (SPECTOR) (Amendment to Motion 3): That Marty Primack be requested to write the letter.

F - 2 0 - 1 A - 2 (Mike Schon Absent during vote)
MOTION CARRIED

CHAIR: Asked for motion to demand full financial report from National Organizing Committee prior to Ric Hyland's departure for Ann Arbor.

SO MOVED (Motion 5) (Spector): MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Motion (6): (Spector): That all members of the National National Organizing Committee who wish to attend the Ann Arbor have their expenses paid by the National Organizing Committee.

AMENDMENT TO MOTION (6) (Morehead): That people who can pay their own way, do so.

VOTE ON AMENDMENT TO MOTION (6): F - 5 O - 1

VOTE ON MOTION (6): F - 6 0 - None A - None

MOTION (7) (Morehead): If there is not sufficient funds to pay everyone's fare, such money available be divided equally among those members of the National National Organizing Committee who cannot pay their own travel expenses.

VOTE ON MOTION (7): F - 6 0 - 0 A - 0

REPORT FROM NORTH STATE STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING:

: We acknowledge new members of the Steering Committee replacing Lloyd Morgan and Brian Heron.

MOTION PASSED: To enlarge the National Convention Committee.
Vote: 6 - 0

MOTION PASSED: To designate Peter Franck as an additional California delegate to National Convention Committee.

Vote: 5 - 0 - 1 *

MOTION PASSED: To designate Marty Primack as a California member of National Convention Committee.

Vote: 4 - 1 - 1 *

Peter Franck abstained from voting on these motions.

MOTION PASSED: Brian Heron be named an alternate if one of the designated members cannot attend the National Convention. Vote: 3 - 1 - 3 (Brian will be in Michigan at the time)

VOTE OF SOUTH STATE STEERING COMMITTEE ON THE ABOVE MOTION: F - 1 O - 2 A - 3 To: Peace and Freedom State Steering Committee August 9, 1968

From: Dick Gregory for President Committee; Peace and Freedom Party; 2634 San Pablo Avenue, Berkeley, California

Re: Credentialing Committee, National Nominating Convention of Peace and Freedom, August 17-18, Ann Arbor, Michigan

We request the immediate recall of all members of the present Credentialing Committee and the reconstitution of this committee in a manner that will prevent a predetermined and closed convention at Ann Arbor.

This is a minimal request in light of the fact that all members of the present committee are affiliated publicly with 1 candidate's presidential campaign, the projection of a partisan, sectarian, Bay Area version of Peace and Freedom into "national organizing (with the consequence of removing Peace and Freedom as a serious electoral party from the crucial election of 1968), and of our respect for Dick Gregory's request to his supporters that they work to keep the Peace and Freedom Party alive as the necessary electoral mechanism for the movement for radical change in the United States.

Please know that this request for recall of the present committee and its reconstitution prior to the opening of the national convention follows a series of experiences which demonstrates our desire for party unity and a number of actions by the present committee which appear to be aimed at sectarian Bay Area control of a closed national convention. Item: In response to "party unity" we spiked a documented newspaper account of the partisan manipulation of "national organizing" (a matter known in many parts of the country which is very likely to erupt into a discrediting national scandal if present plans for a closed convention prevail. Item: The editor of the Michigan Daily Standard in telephonic survey of all P & F offices in the country reports the fact that in 90% of the cases the California "organizer" who responded was a Cleaver supporter; Item: The inaccessibility of "national organizing" information; Item: Rik Hyland, inspite of an enjoining provision of the State Steering Committee, departed for Ann Arbor without funding the 1 Gregory member's travel expenses; Item: the conflation of the "mational organizing" committee into the "convention credentialing" committee, reserving unchecked and unbalanced power to R. Hyland who departed with apparently sole possession of the list of organizations invited to the convention. Item: The resignation of Martin Primack from this Committee because as the sole Gregory member he was treated, in his words, as the "court Jew." Item: The plan of the present committee to replace Primack with Brian Heron, whose activities in New England predetermine Cleaver delegations; Item: The resignation of Richard Romo from this committee with no attempt to appoint another member to replace him. Item: Of the two publicly known individuals who remain on the credentialing committee, Hyland has held almost dictatorial power, has taken his records with him to Ann Arbor, and State Steering Committee resolutions of censure have failed for unexplained reasons since Hyland does not hide his partisan operation of national organizing toward the end of securing the presidential nomination for E. Cleaver, instead of building a serious national political party. The other remaining member of the committee is a founder and leader of the "Radical Caucus" whose partisanship and Bay Area orientation is shown in that the Radical Caucus was the numerically dominant force in securing E. Cleaver's nomination in the Northern California state convention.

In order to forestall a national scandal re California P & F, to restore P & F's credibility as a serious political party, we request that the reconstituted credentialing committee represent the national, not the Bay Area segment of anti-war, anti-racism independent radical electoral politics. In view of the fact that "national organizing" emanating from 55 Colton St., S. F. has almost predetermined the P & F presidential candidate, we request that no people associated with "national organizing" be members of the new credentialing committee. In light of Bay Area domination of "national organizing" and credentialing, we request that Bay Area members, if any, be part of this committee only as observers; that the disenfranchised people registered in California P & F (the 71,000 who did not attempt the L.A. and S. F. nominating conventions) be given representation; that the numerical preponderance on the credentialing committee go to small counties and small P & F proposed in the U.S. since they are closer to the grass-roots non-sectarian base of Peace?

DICK GREGORY FOR PRESIDENT COMMITTEE

By: Joel Clark, Mike Allen, Bob Stroughter,
et al

CALIFORNIA PEACE AND FREEDOM PARTY STATE CONVENTION AND STATE COUNCIL

SAT., AUG. 24 & SUN., AUG. 25, 1968 - SACRAMENTO

AGENDA

1. CONVENE: 10:00 A.M., SATURDAY, AUGUST 24th

ROLL CALL

ELECT TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN

HAPPY BIRTHDAY PAUL JACOBS

3. APPOINT CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

4. KEYNOTE ADDRESS - ELDRIDGE CLEAVER 11:00 A.M.

5. ADOPT PLATFORM

V 6. RECESS NOM INATE V.P.

CONVENE STATE COUNCIL, P&F

/8. APPROVAL OF PRESIDENTIAL NOMINEE
Three Caucus Reports

9. SELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT

10. RECESS STATE COUNCIL

11. RECONVENE STATE CONVENTION

12. NOMINATE ELECTORS

13. ADJOURN CONVENTION

14. RECONVENE STATE COUNCIL

a. Roll Call

- b. Introduction of new delegates
- c. Approval of minutes
- d. Election of Chairman
- e. Guest Speaker: Mr. Gary
- f. Report of State of the Movement
- . Introduction of Steering Committee Members
- . DISCUSSION POLITICAL PERSPECTIVE PEACE & FREEDOM
- i. COMMITTEE REPORTS
 - 1) National Organizing
 - 2) Finance/Fund Raising
 - 3) Structure
 - 4) Black-Brown Cacus Report
 - 5) Senate Campaign Report Paul Jacobs

Recess and Lunch Breaks will be called at the most convenient times. The meeting hall is available only between 10:00 A.M. and 6:00 P.M., with times firm. The time when and if any part of this agenda will be taken up on Sunday, Aug. 25th, will be determined by the main body and events of Saturday, Aug. 24th.

CAPL OGLESBY

2 HESH RAFLIN

3 FARREL BROSLAVS

4 JERRY RUBIN

X PEGGY TERRY

6 BRIAN HERRON

Jack Wineberg James Vann Rie Hyland Mike Short







RESOLUTION FOR "FREE BEACHES"

(Submitted by Jefferson Poland to Haight-Ashbury Neighborhood Group, 8 Feb. 1968.)

To be further submitted (if passed by H-A) to all SF County groups through the County Council; and to state office and state platform committee & state conventions)

- Whereas, Many Californians enjoy the practice of social nudism, especially nude swimming and sunbathing at ocean beaches; and
- Whereas, Private beaches are not adequate for this purpose, especially for low-income persons who cannot afford admission charges; and
- Whereas, Governments have established mude beaches for public use in many countries, including England, France, West and East Germany, Denmark, Yugoslavia, Bulgaria, Morocco, Hong Kong, etc.; and
- Whereas, A ofree beach is open to any person, whether clothed or nude; therefore
- BE IT RESOLVED, That the Galifornia state Peace and Freedom platform should include the following plank:

"The State of California should establish at least two ofree beacheso as state parks, near San Francisco and Los Angeles. At such beaches, bathing attire is optional, and the beach is open to clothed and nude persons without discrimination. The unofficial existence of such beaches in San Mateo County, during 1966-67, has already demonstrated that the average Californian is willing to allow others to swim nude in his presence, as long as he retains his own freedom of choice as to attire."