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April 2, 1965

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The Parents Mississippi Freedom Association met on April 2, 1965, at 8 PM, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Siegel, Mr. Robert Hunn, Vice-Chm. presiding.

Minutes of the March 3rd meeting were read and approved, copy to be sent to Mr. Hal Light of the San Francisco Parents group.

In the absence of Mr. Harold Johnson, Treasurer, Adele Siegel reported \$1,207 in the Association's treasury; \$619 bail fund (\$350 of this on loan); \$2,094 Scholarship fund, plus \$143 in stock, (in the process of being sold); totalling \$3,997 on deposit. The report was accepted.

Mrs. Siegel reported receipt of letter by Ed Wilson from Hugh B. Miller, Legal Consultant of the Parents Mississippi Association of Northern California. They are applying as a chapter of our association, which will require amendment to our By-Laws. The following amendment to Article XII, was read:

"ARTICLE XII - The Executive Board or the membership at a meeting, may designate chapters and accept members thereof as members of this organization upon said terms as may be deemed proper."

This was favorably voted upon by the following eight members present: Neodres Bridgeforth, Bessie Gogol, Clara Harris, Sidney Harris, Dorothy Hunn, Robert Hunn, Adele Siegel and Henry Siegel. As a quorum was not present, Secretary Adele Siegel secured the following votes by telephone: Martha Hard, Dorothy Johnson, Harold Johnson, and Edwin Wilson.

A motion was made by Mrs. Siegel, seconded by Mr. Harris and carried unanimously that we accept the Parents Mississippi Association of Northern California as a Chapter of the Parents Mississippi Freedom Association of ~~Southern~~ California.

Secretary Adele Siegel and Sidney Harris, Bail Chairman, reported on the incidents involving Les Johnson and his arrest in Mississippi and Selma, Ala., where he had gone with other students to participate in the Selma March. Many contacts were phoned for help, as well as a sum of \$300 being sent by Mr. Harris for bail. The final report on the Harold Johnson's son, was that he was back safe on the West coast after paying a \$50.00 fine. Discussion followed of ways and means of effecting release of students arrested, and a full detailed record of action taken, will be compiled for future reference.

Mrs. Bridgeforth presented her idea that a committee/ of prominent persons, who will exert pressure and use their influence in such cases of arrest and harassment.

Getting sponsors for the letter-of-financial-appeal was discussed.

Mrs. Siegel reported phone call from Hal Light regarding getting clothes sent to Mississippi. Any that we may collect can be forwarded to San Francisco, and sent from there to within 500 miles of Mississippi, free of charge to that point. The clothing should be packed in boxes ready for shipment. Mrs. Bridgeforth agreed to handle this.

After discussion, it was agreed to reimburse members for bail efforts and phone calls, out of the bail fund, and to make this retroactive.

Adjournment 10:45 PM. Respectfully submitted,

Dorothy Hunn
Dorothy Hunn, Rec. Secy.