

MINUTES OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL OF THE UNITED DEMOCRATIC FRONT HELD ON 30 JUNE 84

1. 1.1 ATTENDANCE

AFFILIATES : EVATON RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION, MAMELODI YOUTH ORGANISATION, AZASO, LENASIA YOUTH ORGANISATION, SASDU, RMC, NALEDI CIVIC ASSOCIATION, VCA, JODAC, NEUSA, TIC, SAAWU, AYCO, SAYO, SRC, SMWU, AFRI NEWS, ASRO, SOYCO, DESCOM, MGWUSZ, YCS. FEDSAW AND NGWU.

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R.E.C. MEMBERS C. SALOOJEE. (CHAIR) I. MOHAMED, L. VOGELMAN, W. BOKALA N. PAHAD, A. SISULU, M. CHIKANE, R.A.M. SALOOJEE, M. VALLI AND D. MATHE.

1.2 APOLOGIES : F. CHIKANE, A. MOKOENA AND R. NDZANGA.

2. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- 2.1 The minutes of the previous meeting were adopted. MOVER: L VOGELMAN. SECONDER: I. MOHAMMED.
- 2.2 <u>Amendments</u> ANTI P.C. COMMITTEE should be included under item "affiliates present."
- 3. CORRESPONDENCE : 3.1 A letter from T. Mohale (of SASDU) was read.
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3.2 A letter applying fr for membership of UDF (TVL) from Vaal organisation of Women (VOW) was read. The application was accepted.

- REPORTS
 4.1 SECRETARIAL REPORT This report was read by Valli.
 - 4.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE SECRETARIAL REPORT

P. Molefe said that 22nd July 1984 has been earmarked for the Day of Solidarity with the people of Cradock. It was decided that the Atteridgeville crisi be included in this campaign.

4.3 M.S.C. REPORT

This report was presented by M. Morobe.

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4.4 MATTERS ARISING

It was decided that affelites report on the MSC in their reports to the General Council. Co - ordinator was asked to report on the number of signatures submitted by each affiliates. The council also requested that more joint blitzes be organised. P. Molefe reported that over 3000 signatures were collected in Welkom and Pa

5. INCOME AND EXPENDITURE STATEMENT OF PEOPLES FESTIVAL

5.1 The statement was presented by N. Pahad.

5.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THES STATEMENT

It was decided that in future there should be a limit to the expenditure on such events. The house also expressed the view that it is unfortunate that such large amounts had to paid to the music groups.

The report was adopted by the council. Mover N. Pahad Seconder P. Molefe.

6. FINANCE

6.1 FINANCIAL REPORT

The income and expenditure statement of (UDF TVL) as at 31st June 1984 and the income and expenditure for the period 1/06/84 to 30/06/84. The report was adopted mover ; R.A.M. SALOOJEE. seconder; P. Molefe.

6.2 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE FINANCIAL REPORT

- 6.2.1 It was reported that R1000 00 was allocated to the UDF education committee and not GAWUEP.
- 6.2.2 C. Saloojee informed the house that the NEC has decided that UDF (TV_) pay 50% of the old telephone account.
- 6.2.3 It was decided that the salary of the secretaries oversea trip be paid by the national treasury.

6.3 FUNDRAISING

It was decide that affiliates that have not as yet contributed R100,00 to UIF (TVL) should be reminded and explanation should be sought from organisation: unable to afford the amount.

7. EVALUATION COMMISSION

7.1 The commission reported on its aims and objectives and scope. A summery of critisms and comments shared by affiliates was presented. Recommendations for the restructuring of UDF (TVL) were also presented (see document entitled "proposed restructuring of the UDF TVL"). Recommendations 1.2 and 4 were discussed and the adopted. The R.E.C. was asked to execute recommendation 2. Further recommendation would be discussed at the next meeting.

8. ANTI ELECTION CAMPAIGN

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The report of the workshop and campaign plan was presented.

<u>SLOGAN</u> : It was decided that the slogan for this campaign should be "votes for all in a united South Africa". Where necessary this slogan could be modified to read "votes for all".

<u>CONVENTION</u>: It was decided that a convention named "votes for all convention" be held on the 21st July 1984 to discuss the Anti election campaign. The aims of the convention would be to :

- 1. Motivate organisations to participate actively in the campaign.
- 2. Display to all that opposition to the constitution is widespread
- 3. Launch the final phace of the campaign

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UDF *(TRANEVAAL)

Secretarial Report to the General Council Meeting held on 30 June 1984

The general council of the United Democratic Front meets at a very crucial moment in the history of the Front. The next two months would act as the acid test for the UDF. On the one hand we need to complete the Signature Campaign and on the other the fraudulant apartheid constitution needs to be defeated. At the same time the living standards of our people are eroded even further with the rising food prices and particularly the increase in GST as from tommorow. The forced removals of our people, the Bantustan policy and the dummy black local authorities continue to face the wrath of the people. The action on the part of the mineworkers and the resulting death points to the growing determination of working people to free themselves. The present Anti-Election Campaign in the Coloured and Indian communities being conducted by affiliates of the UDF is the most intensive campaign conducted in these communities in decades.

The state on the other hand has intensified its actions against the Front. Both signature collectors and signatories of the MSC have been harassed. In Parliament allegations have been made that the UDF is a front for certain banned organisations. A whole series of illegal leaflets have been systematically distributed - all of which make false claims of the UDF. Now even Mangope has joined in. He alleges that the UDF is interfering in the affairs of a foredgen country by organising in Bophutatswana.

These are all signs that the UDF has become a nightmare for the white minority rulers and the surrogates.

The strategy of our enemies has been to :-

.1. disorganise our ranks.

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- 2. alienate the UDF from the masses
- 3. divide us affiliate from affiliate, race from race and urban from rural.

Our task is to effectively counter this strategy.

The UDF (Tvl) has held a successful workshop on 23 June 1984 to develop a united campaign against the constitution. The report from the workshop would be presented separately.

At this meeting we also present an audited financial statement of the People's Festival and a financial report of the UDF(Tvl).

Attendance at General Council Meetings:

The executive committee has decided that only bona fide delegates and accredited observers be allowed at general council meetings. Bona Fide delegates would be those whose names appear on registration forms which would be issued before the next meeting. An accredited observer would be one who is recommended by the delegates from the organisation the person belongs to. Members of sub-committees would require the recommendations of the secretariat. Proxies for delegates would be required to furnish the credentials committee with written evidence of their bona fides. The credentials committee would comprise of L.Vogelman and N.Pahad.

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DRGANISING COMMITTEE

'The following committee was appointed by the council T. Mali,M. Valli,G. Burger D. Montsis, Patrick Dan (Tembisa). Khauhelo and Khehla. The task of this committee Cild be to organise the convention.

In view of the time it was decided that a special General Coucil be held on the 7/07/84 in order to discuss the anti election campaign.

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