

REPORT OF THE BLACK CAUCUS OF THE 8TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE EPISCOPAL SOCIETY FOR CULTURAL AND RACIAL UNITY, NOVEMBER 16, 1968

The following resolutions were passed: *

- I. That a convention be called of the Black Episcopal Church in June of 1969 - hopefully at Saint Augustine's College in Raleigh, North Carolina - from which a delegation of black Episcopalians will be elected to attend the interim Special General Convention in South Bend, Indiana, beginning on August 31, 1969, and demand to be seated as regular delegates.
- II. That the Black Caucus of ESCRU request the Union of Black Clergy and Laymen of the Episcopal Church to plan the convention, and that ESCRU make available to the Union all resources which the Union finds necessary.
- III. That the following members of the Black Caucus of ESCRU meet with the Union of Black Clergy and Laymen of the Episcopal Church to coordinate the black convention:
 1. Miss Barbara Harris
 2. The Rev. Jesse F. Anderson
 3. The Rev. Denzil Carty
 4. The Rev. Joseph N. Green, Jr.
 5. The Rev. Joseph Pelham
 6. The Rev. Henri A. Stines
- IV. That ESCRU investigate the Episcopal Church's relationship to the Inter-religious Foundation for Community Organization (IFCO) with regard to the \$500,000 which was withdrawn; and to further investigate how local groups can obtain Episcopal Church funds without so much red tape.
- V. That ESCRU work out plans to "expose and burn" racist Christian Education literature and materials in front of the Episcopal Church Center at 815 Second Avenue in New York and before Diocesan centers across the country on the Feast of the Epiphany, January 6, 1969; and that the Chicago Chapter of ESCRU be responsible for planning this demonstration.

There was much frank discussion as to whether Black Episcopalians should continue to remain in ESCRU in its present form; but it was agreed that for the present black members will continue to remain in the Society.

Respectfully submitted,

Betty Howard
Secretary pro tem to the Black Caucus

* At a joint session of all members attending the 8th Annual Meeting, it was moved, seconded and passed to endorse the above resolutions of the Black Caucus.

REPORT OF THE WHITE CAUCUS OF THE 8TH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE EPISCOPAL SOCIETY FOR
CULTURAL AND RACIAL UNITY, NOVEMBER 16, 1968

The following resolutions were adopted: *

- I. That a national Coordinating Committee be selected to converge on the Episcopal Church Center in New York City and in front of Diocesan centers throughout to the country to burn racist curriculum materials currently being used and sponsored by the Church.
- II. That individual ESCRU Chapters expose the racist materials currently being used in Christian Education in their respective dioceses.
- III. That the following committees be formed to deal with this matter:
 - A. Theologizing and Documentation - to theologize the meaning of the burning and document the history of ESCRU's concern with racist curriculum materials.
 - B. Alternative Curricula - to preview extant materials and recommend acceptable substitutes.
 - C. Follow-up - to continue to keep the issue before the larger Church after the demonstration on January 6, 1969.
 - D. Coordination of New York Demonstration
- IV. That the Alternative Curricula Committee be instructed submit recommendations to be included as part of the agenda of the interim Special General Convention in South Bend, Indiana, and to be prepared to institute action if such materials are not made part of the agenda.
- V. That ESCRU's Economic and Investment Task Force be directed to study, evaluate and make recommendations to the larger Church with respect to her investment policies and the underlying assumptions and personnel who make such decisions. These recommendations are to be presented to the national Church for inclusion on the agenda of the interim Special General Convention with the understanding that if they are not included the Society itself is prepared to institute action necessary to insure their inclusion.

Discussion also focused on ESCRU's future relations with PIC and Project CN (Communications Network).

Respectfully submitted,

Kayren Viebig
Secretary pro tem to the White Caucus

* At a joint session of all members attending the 8th Annual meeting, it was moved, seconded and passed to endorse the above resolutions of the White Caucus.