TO: MSN Core Members  
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RE: Spring National Meeting/Chapter Enfranchisement

The meeting in San Francisco was a great success. Two of the key issues were the National Coordinating Committee structure and the frequency of meetings.

Starting in 1990, there will be two meetings per year. The Spring meeting will be a regional meeting. Logistics will be worked out by the National Office. The regional meetings will be open to all interested activists within the region in an effort to reach a broad base of support.

The Fall meeting will convene the National Coordinating Committee. The NCC will be composed of one member elected by his or her perspective chapter and five (5) at large members selected by the National Office staff. Other members are welcome to attend on a non-voting basis. If possible, the local group should pay for or subsidize the representative's travel costs in an effort to include lower income and younger members in MSN decision making processes.

In order for a local group to send a representative, the group must formally become a voting chapter. A chapter is composed of five (5) paid members. The National Office will develop procedures for chapter enfranchisement.

Also of immediate importance is funding. Fundraising initiated by the National Office has had positive results but not sufficient for sustaining the Chicago Office. More grass roots financial support is needed from the local chapters. Chapters are asked to have one (1) fundraiser per year earmarked for the National Office with a $1000.00 goal. If each group were to contribute close to this amount, the dependency on competitive foundation support would be considerably reduced.

The Fall 1989 meeting of the NCC is tentatively scheduled for October in Chicago.

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