Resolution for the Transition of Political Education from a Working Group to a Committee

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Whereas, the size and scope of the Poli Ed Working Group has outgrown that of a working group.

Whereas, committees are entitled to have one Committee Steward as a voting representative on the Local Council.

Whereas, our bylaws dictate: *"Committees shall be formed by the General Meeting, Special Meeting, or the Convention to address a specific operational need. Any proposed Committee will produce a Written Statement of Purpose, which will prescribe the Committee's activities, and must be signed by at least ten (10) New Orleans DSA members."*

Be it resolved that the Political Education Working Group be recognized instead as the Political Education Committee.

Be it further resolved that the committee has the following Statement of Purpose:

"The purpose of this committee is to organize educational events around topics in and around democratic socialism that are of interest to the members of the local. The committee also has a goal of hosting a monthly or quarterly socialist forum open to the community. The committee will also support other committees as they organize educational events around their focus areas."

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Be it further resolved that the new Poli Ed Committee shall fulfill the responsibilities described in the bylaws as follow:

"Each Committee shall be responsible for its own activities. To this end, each Committee shall produce Bylaws and hold an election before the General Membership for committee steward within three (3) months after official status was granted to the Committee. The annual schedule of General Meetings will include a schedule of election dates for committees to use. This schedule will include no more than three (3) non special elections per year and no consecutive General Meeting dates. The Local Council must approve committee bylaws by a simple majority vote. Local Council shall provide sample standard bylaws for Committees, to be approved in the manner outlined above. In order to schedule an election a Committee must produce a copy of Committee bylaws.

Each Committee is responsible for:

- Carrying out the program of the Committee as prescribed by the Written Statement of Purpose.
- Committee leadership is also responsible for regularly reporting their activities to the General Meeting.
- Committees shall work with the Treasurer to fundraise for committee needs and establish oversight of any committee funds.
- Committees shall not institute any dues system or recurring collection of funds outside that of the Local."