

STANDING COMMITTEES' DUTIES

(Active in the Richmond Branch #1058)

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- I. ***Education.*** The Committee on Education shall (1) seek to eliminate segregation and other discriminatory practices in public education; (2) study local educational conditions affecting minority groups; (3) investigate the public school system and school zoning; (4) familiarize itself with textbook material that is racially derogatory; (5) seek to stimulate school attendance; (6) keep informed of school conditions and strive to correct abuses where found; (7) investigate the effects of standardized and high-stakes testing practices; (8) teacher certification; (9) promote parental involvement in education; and (10) aim to be a center of popular education on the race question and on the work of the Association.
- II. ***Finance.*** The Finance Committee shall consist of the President, Treasurer, and at least one other member. It shall study the financial needs of the Unit and shall be responsible for drafting an adequate annual budget.
- III. ***Freedom Fund.*** The Freedom Fund Committee shall plan and conduct fundraising activities, entertainment, and other projects for local and national purposes within the scope of the Association's program. It shall work closely with the Finance Committee.
- IV. ***Health.*** The Health Committee shall (1) work to promote, protect, and maintain the health of African Americans; (2) assess the health needs of the community; (3) advocate for equal access to health education, care, treatment, and research for all Americans; (4) sponsor health-related activities such as health forums, fairs, and workshops highlighting issues of importance to people of color; and (5) support health initiatives of the Association.
- V. ***Legal Redress.*** The Legal Redress Committee shall (1) investigate all cases reported to it; (2) supervise all litigation in which the Unit is interested; and (3) keep the National Office and the Branch informed on the progress of every case. It shall not give general legal advice.
- VI. ***Membership and Life Membership.*** The Membership Committee shall (1) work throughout the year to maintain and increase the membership of the Association; (2) be responsible for planning and organizing the annual membership campaign; (3) be responsible on a continuous basis for soliciting new members and for securing renewals; and (4) initiate all possible means to obtain Life Members and sponsor a continuing program toward this end.
- VII. ***Political Action.*** The Political Action Committee shall (1) seek to increase registration and voting; (2) work for the enactment of municipal, state, and federal legislation designed to improve the educational, political, and economic status of minority groups; (3) seek the repeal of racially discriminatory legislation; (4) work to improve the administration of justice; (5) work to secure equal enforcement of the law; and (6) keep

the National Office and the Unit informed of all proposed legislation which affects minority groups. The Committee shall be nonpartisan and shall not endorse candidates for public office.

VIII. *Standing Committees of Youth Councils.* The Standing Committees of the Youth Councils shall be Membership; Finance; Press and Publicity; Political Action; Youth Employment; Education; Environmental and Climate Justice; Programs and Research; Entertainment; Juvenile Justice; and Community Coordination.