RESTON Black Focus
Steering Committee Meeting

Present: Sharp, Summey, Welch, Thomas, Turner, Bradley and Sylvia Marshall

August 12, 1974

The meeting commenced at 8:15 at the home of Laura Thomas.
A roster listing the names of the steering committee members was distributed by Sharpe.
The minutes of the meeting of the July 16th meeting were approved.
The minutes of July 31st were corrected as read.

Membership: Eileen Welch
43 paid family memberships. $66 for membership thus far.
There is a need for a new directory since the present one is outdated.
Sharpe suggested a letter to all newcomers be drafted, welcoming them to Reston and giving information about Black Focus.
Laura Thomas felt that she needs for the education committee, information as to what school Focus Children are attending. This type of information may be gotten at the festival. Welch and Thomas will work together.
It is hoped that the directory will go out in October or November.

Newsletter: Clarestine Summey
2143 newsletters were mailed and 5 handed out.
The deadline for information in the 15th of the month.
Sharpe felt that meetings should be on the 10th of the month and the 12th of November. The schedule of meetings is:
Sept. Sylvia Turner
October Clarestine Summey
November Charles Smith.

Education Committee: Laura Thomas
Thomas presented the Education Committee's letter to Dr. John Davis, superintendent of Fairfax County Schools. The letter introduced members of the educational committee and some of their concerns for all children.
Thomas also needs someone to attend a meeting concerning the Reston Community Center. Focus should send a representative to these meetings.
Enoch and LaGretta Butler will be called.

Festival
Sharp reported that three press releases were already distributed to the media. Registration forms for the conference were distributed.
Sylvia Marshall has all the contracts but one. Sharp feels that the festival is moving along and individuals are working on finer details.

Incorporation
Sharpe reported that we need: the names of three incorporators; the names of three initial directors and specify their terms of office; file an annual report; names of Bd. of Directors, signatures of Board of Directors.
We must have an annual meeting on a specified date. A set of By-laws must be adopted after two weeks. A question was raised as to whether we should be "inc." or not. No decision was made.
We will begin with a new set of By-laws, and substitute Board of
Directors steering Committee. Sharp suggested that the present steering Committee become the Bd. of Directors. We must name an agent to submit our annual report. This would be our incorporating attorney.

A meeting will be held on August 28, 29 or 30 to adopt the initial set of bi-laws. Sylvia Turner and Bev Sharp will work on the new set of bi-laws.

Names were submitted for the election committee
Joan Marshall and Edith Fresh.

Nine names will submitted for Bd. of Directors, including the names of Thomas, Bradley and Sharp.

The annual meeting is the second Tuesday in November. The bi-laws meeting is schedule for Thurs August 29 at Big Daddy's.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25

Respectfully Submitted

Carol Ann Bradley