

DANA Jul. 9, 2013

Background:

As attendance for General Assemblies has fallen off over the past year, the situation is imminent when there won't be a quorum for disbursing funds. While it is not huge, relatively speaking, there are thousands of dollars in the accounts of Occupy Boston that could be assisting the work of progressive organizations in our community rather than languishing in a credit union. This proposal is to release the bulk of these funds with the possibility of retaining some resources that might be needed by people organizing under the name of Occupy Boston.

Proposal:

1.

That the General Assembly of Occupy Boston agree to temporarily set aside the waiting period for financial proposals agreed upon at the April 2nd 2013 GA, for the purposes of this proposal.

2.

That the members present at the July 9 (this) GA will, through a facilitated discussion process, determine an amount (if any) to be retained for OB expenses and/or currently active projects (like Strike Debt) and the remaining funds will be donated to organizations that the majority present agree are doing valuable progressive political organizing work in our communities. For the purposes of our discussion, we only need a close approximation of dollar amounts. The current members of FAWG will be directed to figure out what the actual total OB financial resources are that can be accessed and disbursed. The logistics of how to contact organizations and make funds available to them will be part of our discussion process.

(Not part of the proposal)

This is just Dana's example of a possible outcome of this proposal:

\$3000. reserved for Strike Debt expenses

500. reserved for OB costs like bail money

\$4000. for Encuentro 5 (an umbrella organization serving many groups)

3000. for City Life/Vida Urbana

3000. for Lucy Parson's Book Store Collective

\$13,500

Rich Jul 9, 2013

Proposal Tues July 9 2013

Meetings of the Occupy Boston General Assembly and all its functions shall be suspended at the end of today's meeting.

The Occupy Boston General Assembly, with all of its functions, can be reconvened under the following conditions:

1. Three weeks prior to the convening of a proposed new Occupy Boston General Assembly, notification of that meeting (including time and place) and any proposed agenda items shall be widely publicized including, at least, on
 - a. the Occupy Boston website
 - b. the Occupy Boston everybody list
 - c. the Occupy Boston text message system
 - d. community forum
 - e. a widely distributed Facebook event page
2. For the Occupy Boston General Assembly to be reconvened (and thus to continue any previous activities of Occupy Boston) it must be attended by at least 35 individuals of whom at least 25 must have been active members between the beginning of Occupy Boston in late September 2011 and July 2013.