MEETING NOTES: 8/7/89

ATTENDING:

Jim Megson (Chair), Cindy Silver, Thad Self, Rick Rabin, Robert Hoffman, Paul Lessin & myself

A good time was had by all! (well..., most)

Paul had just attended a meeting representitives of the US sister cities. It had been held over the past weekend in Madison Wisconsin. ********** He brought us up to date on thoughts they had, for the near future.

STOP THE INVASION OF OUR SISTER CITIES!: This is a PR campaign to alert the general public that the sister cities exist and that they are being attacked by the Salvadoran Government.

SUPPORT OF THE GENERAL SISTER CITY MOVEMENT: This is a project to get the people in the sister city projects to lend support to each other and broaden their reach to the other sister cities.

TOUR OF JULIO TOBAR: Julio Tobar of San Jose Las Flores will be in the US this fall, and will be visiting with US sister cities and speaking about the situation in the repopulated areas and El Salvador. At present, it looks as though he will be available to Arlington the 1st or 2nd week in October. If we wish to do an event around this, he will want $200 + logistical support.

SISTER CITY MEETING IN SAN SALVADOR: Another gathering of representitives from the sister cities is being planned for sometime in December. We weren't sure that we are big enough to have a representative, and still have a delegation for next year.

Another meeting item was information on the trip by Gate West to the refugee camps in Honduras. She is trying to meet with the people in the camps, to express solidarity with them. Honduras has been wanting to close down the camps, but El Salvador doesn't want them to return. She has been encounterring resistance getting to the camps. Calls have suggested to our reps. and the US & Honduran Embassies.

Cindy also reported on the meeting of the fundraising group of the SC committee. They have established a budget goal and lots of ideas to achieve it.