

Detroit Organization of School Administrators and Supervisors Records

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Abstract

The Detroit Organization of School Administrators and Supervisors was formed in 1966 and received sole collective bargaining rights with the Detroit Board of Education in 1967. The union had between 1,300 and 1,400 members at its creation, and it continues to represent administrators and supervisors in Detroit Public Schools in regards to salaries and working conditions.

In the early 1980s, the administrators were working without a contract for a brief time and they conducted a sick-out, where principals and assistant principals used their sick days in order to protest labor without contract. Their main concerns wages and job security.

The Detroit Organization of School Administrators and Supervisors Records contains correspondence, newsletters, and newspaper clippings about the sick-out, as well as documents explaining their ultimate collective bargaining goals. Additionally, this collection contains some newspaper clippings related to controversial administrative transfers and a case of an inappropriate relationship between two administrators and former students. Finally, this collection holds some materials from related organizations such as the American Federation of School Administrators and information about the NAACP Overground Railroad March in 1983.

Important Subjects:

American Federation of School Administrators
American Federation of Teachers
Detroit Federation of Teachers
Detroit Public Schools
National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
Strikes and lockouts – Teachers – Michigan

Important Names:

Boggs, Donald
Detroit Organization of School Administrators and Supervisors
Detroit Teachers Association
Gordon, Aaron

Arrangement

Folders are listed by their location within each box. They are in original order based on the material as it was put together in scrapbooks, and not further arranged, so any given subject may be dispersed throughout the entire collection.

Box 1

- 1 Assistant Principals Group, Detroit Teachers Association, by laws, roster, President's reports, 1949-1960
- 2 Newspaper articles about teacher and administration strikes, 1980-1984
- 3 Photocopied newspaper articles and newsletters about strikes, pay cuts, and union rights, 1980-1984
- 4 Correspondence, newspaper articles, and documents related to organization of schools administrators and supervisors union bargaining, 1981
- 5 Organization of School Administrators and Supervisors, correspondence and newsletters, 1980-1986
- 6 American Federation of School Administrators, newsletters and financial reports, 1982-1989
- 7 Wayne State University, College of Education Alumni Association spring newsletter, 1984
- 8 George Leslie Bibb's, obituary, 1990
- 9 African American Media Society, History of African American Education Media Project, event invitation, 1989
- 10 Council of Supervisors and Administrators of the City of New York, support letter for changes in teacher certification requirements, 1986
- 11 Detroit Association of Black Organizations, meeting notice, 1987
- 12 Council on Elementary and Secondary Education, meeting minutes, 1976
- 13 GNMMBC's Annual Men's Day, event invitation, 1985
- 14 Department of Education Administrator Certification Code, 1989
- 15 Photocopies of newspaper articles about school administrators, 1980-1984
- 16 Newspaper articles about administrator transfers and Smith and Sellers case of fraternizing with students, 1980-1984
- 17 A History of the Organization of School Administrators and Supervisors, John Yoskovich, 1974
- 18 NAACP, Overground Railroad March, 1983
- 19 NAACP, Overground Railroad March, newspaper clippings, 1983
- 20 Education professional unions meetings, photographs, 1980-1981
- 21 Assistant Principals Group. Detroit Teachers Association, photographs, undated