

*Southworth*

October 9, 1991

5CLR Council meeting October 9, 1991 12.15 p.m., at the Smith College Field House. Present were: Alice Friedman, Beal, Stabell, Dunn, Keating, *Gibson* Senders, Rapoport, Lieson, Reid, with the president Southworth presiding.

*McAfee*

The minutes of the preceding council meeting were corrected and accepted. The treasurer's report for the fiscal year to period ending 9/30/91 was circulated and is on file.S

Southworth asked for discussion on the matter of the time of council meetings, and after general discussion the council agreed that one o'clock instead of two o'clock to convene the council, the second Thursday of each month, was appropriate, and it was so agreed.

Southworth reported that our membership numbers 107 persons for 91-92. However, since it is not yet clear how many of these persons have made a commitment to membership for the twelve month membership period, Reid will review this issue and will ascertain from those persons who have thus far made a commitment for only one half the year's enrollment in seminars what their intention is; Reid will inform the council of this analysis. In connection with the need to clarify the status in this respect, it became evident that we also need to clarify the exact policy with regard to payment of dues to the 5CLR; Lieson and McAfee will prepare the language for the policy statement ~~xxxxxxxxx~~...the intent of the council concerning timing and amount of payment had previously been discussed thoroughly, and although policy agreement had been achieved, the files do not disclose the precise statement; Lieson and McAfee will give the council their proposal at the next scheduled council meeting on November 14, 1991

Reid said that several suggestions for seminars to be offered had been received in her office. There was a general discussion concerning the appropriateness of varying the seminar format; that is, whether we wish to remain strictly with the plan of shared learning experiences; whether we wish to exercise some flexibility to allow a specialist in some area of knowledge to conduct a more conventional "teacher-class" seminar. General sense was that this issue should be examined by the curriculum committee.

The president requested that Keating seek further information about establishing a monthly lunch at the Lord Jeff for any LIR's who wish to lunch and converse. Keating will see if it is feasible to reserve a table for 10 for the 25th October at 12.30 as a trial, and when the details are clear, Reid will get the information out to all LIR's currently enrolled, and devise a reservation system.

The council discussed the advisability of using open membership meetings as a forum for individual members to seek support for their concerns in the efforts of other organizations to promulgate worthy causes. Gibson moved that the president make a statement to the effect that such actions by members at the membership meeting not be heard if they are not relative to the agenda; Alice Friedman seconded this motion, and the council concurred. Beal suggested that

persons with special interests to share might request of the president that they provide a table and materials to offer to members at the close of an open meeting; the council agreed that this might be done, but that each request would be evaluated and approved only by the president, who would consider all the relevant factors. With one councillor dissenting, the council concurred in this suggestion.

On the motion of Gibson, the council meeting adjourned at 1.20 p.m.

*Gladys Rapoport*