

February 13, 1992

Five College Learning in Retirement Program
Executive Council Meeting, February 13, 1992

Present were council members Freedman (Sam), Southworth, McAfee, Dunn, Reid, Lieson, Friedman (Alice) Gibson, Rapoport. Also committee chairs Lehman (newsletter), Senders (curriculum), Lawton (Sally, Special Events) Barbara Southworth, president, presided

The minutes of the membership meeting of February 4, 1992 were circulated and approved as amended. The treasurer submitted copies of the draft of the 1993 Fiscal year budget as recommended by the finance committee; Lieson explained the budget items, and the proposed budget is on file

The finance committee had discussed in committee session a policy of putting dues payments "on hold" for members who withdraw for good reason before the seminar term commences; the request for dues refund to be reviewed by the finance committee on a case by case basis. Such requests for carrying over dues payment to the next succeeding ~~seminar~~ ^{seminar} had been received by Reid; also other members have from time to time made requests for modification of the fee structure and other matters related to the fiscal management of LIR. The president instructed the chair of the finance committee to review these and any other issues relating to fee structure, and to develop a recommendation for the council to review before adopting any such procedures as policy. The president also reiterated her previous request to members who have suggestions to make concerning policy, operations, etc., to prepare such requests in writing and include the rationale for the suggestion, so that these suggestions may be reviewed by the appropriate committee before council consideration.

Southworth ^{motioned} stated that four persons from our group will attend the Elderhostel Institute regional conference in Binghamton, New York on March 1, 2, 3; these persons are Southworth (panelist); McAfee (panelist), Senders (presenter); and Reid (presenter.) Money management being much on the collective mind of the council, spirited discussion concerning the level of LIR subsidy of the cost of conference attendance resulted in the council's approval of limited subsidization of the members costs. McAfee moved, Gibson seconded, that LIR pay for the entire expenses of the executive officer, and also pay for the registration and travel cost of the other three persons. Senders moved to amend the motion that LIR pay total costs for all members; the council rejected the motion as amended. *McAfee resubmitted the motion as follows: LIR pay travel costs of the Executive Officer (registration, travel, accommodation), and pay for the other three persons only the registration and mileage. McAfee clarified the motion by stating that this decision is applicable only to this conference in March 1992 and has no policy implications for the future or for other travel. This motion passed with one dissenting member. For the record, the individual registrations

* Motion seconded by Gibson.

will cost \$90, and travel will be reimbursed at the rate of 23¢ per mile, which is the current rate as observed by Five Colleges

Southworth announced her appointment of a task force to review the By-laws, and said that this committee will meet initially on Thursday February 20, 1992 at Harvey Friedman's home; the members of the Task Force are Harvey Friedman, Patrick Ennis, Bill Gibson, Bill Hubbard, Ellie Quint, Marjorie Kaufman, Jackie Wisniewski, Gladys Rapoport; Jean Stabell, Lucy McAfee and Barbara Southworth ex officio, and available as consultants.

Southworth: Concerning the timing of the annual election: this will take place by mail ballot in April 1992 instead of May, so as to allow time to conduct the election by mail. The election committee comprises the three council members who are scheduled to leave the council in 1992, and these are Alice Friedman, Bill Lieson, Gladys Rapoport.

Senders, chair of curriculum committee reported her work with a subcommittee of curriculum committee which has met once and will continue to meet, in the effort to develop recommendations for any new offerings for seminars, for any supplementary or alternative configurations for seminars (besides the peer-lead seminars)

Lehman, chair of newsletter reported that her committee has received suggestions to "lighten up" the newsletter for future editions; the newsletter committee is cooperating with the membership committee on some items for the Fall 1992, and these are still in progress.

Meeting adjourned at 3.15; no moved by McAfee, seconded by Gibson.

Gladys Rapoport