

May 11, 1995 - Council Meeting, Learning in Retirement.

Present: Reid, Unger, Quint, Barondes, Braunthal, Posada, Lehman, Keating, Navon, Rapoport, B. Grose, L. Belsky, Lieson, Dolloff, Mellville.

The April 13 minutes were approved, after deleting a sentence under the Finance committee report (second sentence in second paragraph of that report which begins "She asked if these funds...").

The Treasurer's report: Eve presented the income and expense statement for the period July 1, 1994 to April 30, 1995. She has revised the account system somewhat, to provide greater clarity. She anticipates a surplus at the end of the fiscal year.

The President's report: Eleanor said that Suzanne Lehman has agreed to chair the Curriculum committee, and Florence Barondes will serve as assistant chair, beginning July 1. Suzanne has withdrawn as candidate for Council secretary.

With the election only 2 days away, Council members agreed to telephone other possible candidates (beginning with those already nominated for next year's Council). Ellie, chair of the Nominating committee, reported the corrected list of Council nominees as follows: Lee Beaty, Nicole Dunn, Mary Egginton, Ann Grose, Thelma Isaacs, Sally Lawton, Lucy McAfee, Jay Melrose, Richard Powers, Grace Rollason, Jane Sherman, Lora Simon, George Snook, and Ellen Weiss. Ballots will be mailed next week. They must be postmarked by May 27 and will be counted on May 31.

Eleanor and Karen will interview a woman (well-recommended) for the summer office position. Eleanor also reviewed briefly the agenda for the annual meeting on May 13.

The Vice-president's report: Harley said the Meetings committee is getting off to a good start. Packets for our summer program, the most extensive so far, will be handed out at the annual meeting. All offerings are open to the public and will be filled on a first come-first served basis. Members are urged to bring guests!

The Curriculum committee: David said there are 15 excellent seminars scheduled for the fall. The curriculum committee has 5 new members, in addition to the new chair.

The Special Events committee: Laura said the committee is seeking 2 new members.

The Membership committee: Priscilla reported that invitations to the June 3 opening event will be mailed next week. The committee has 3 new members, and Ben Bowditch will be its chair.

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The Publicity committee: Mary and her committee are engaged in extensive publicity for "A Summer of Earthly Delights", hoping for good coverage in all media areas. She said that the assistance of Five Colleges staff has been invaluable in planning the publicity and the publications.

The Finance committee: The committee has 2 new members. Eve read the notice she and Ben (new membership chair) have prepared, explaining changes in registration procedures. It will appear in the June newsletter.

She also read a draft version of the new application for dues assistance, which has been reviewed by Jean Stabell. Decisions will be made jointly by the finance and membership chairs. Written records will be kept each year, but applicants will not be identified by name. Council approved the written application for dues assistance.

The Meetings committee: Ella said the committee has planned the lunch arrangements for this Saturday's annual meeting at the Red Barn.

The next Council meeting will be a "lame-duck" picnic at Eleanor Reid's house on Thursday, June 8.

Suzanne Lehman, secretary