

June 8, 1995 - Council Meeting, Learning in Retirement.

Present: Reid, Unger, Posada, Lehman, Barondes, Quint, A. & B. Grose, Keating, Navon, Braunthal, Lieson, Dolloff, Egginton, Melville, Tatro, Wisneski.

The minutes of the last meeting were approved. Eleanor distributed copies of the completed Long Range Planning report.

Eleanor gave us the sad news of Ed Lawton's death on June 7. Several Council members spoke, noting Ed's many contributions to LIR. They pointed out that, from the earliest days, he was successfully and enthusiastically a moderator of varied seminars, a constructive member of others, and a hard-working member of LIR committees. His loss is a great one for LIR.

It was the sense of the meeting that a copy of this portion of the minutes be sent on to Sally. Other tributes to Ed may include contributions to the Donors Fund and a special history lecture in the January term.

There was no formal Treasurer's report, but Eve said we are in very good shape financially.

The President's report: Eleanor is expecting to receive committee and other reports to include in the 1994-95 Annual Report. The deadline for submission is extended to June 19.

Eleanor reviewed the annual meeting and election of new Council members. Results are: David Navon, vice-president/president-elect; Eve Posada, treasurer; Grace Rollason, secretary; also, Ann Grose, George Snook, and Jay Melrose, council members. It is the consensus of the group that Ann is beginning a 3-year term of her own.

Several of our summer programs will be held in Five College campus rooms for which there is a \$50 (summer only) charge. The Council approved the additional expenditure of \$150 for this purpose. This is an issue we will need to address as our summer program grows:, i.e., whether to adjust our offerings to the (free) facilities available. The experience of this summer will serve as a guideline for a future decision.

Other announcements- Heidi Ernst, an Ada Comstock scholar, will work (flexible hours) in the office during Karen's vacation. Thirty-one members have opted for split payment of membership dues for 1995-96. \$350 has been contributed to the Donors Fund. Mary Egginton and her committee were thanked for their work on the "Festival of Earthly Delights" held June 3 at the Red Barn. Eleanor and Harley have each appeared on Amherst cable TV, publicizing the programs of LIR. Karen reviewed the sign-ups for summer programs.

Curriculum committee: David reported 97 members registered and paid for the fall term. Two seminars (American Colonial History

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Native American Art) will be lotteried. Registrations so far average out to 1.45 seminars per person.

There was a brief review of the Festival opening. Ella noted the limitations of the kitchen in the Red Barn and wants to simplify the meal service there. She is seeking more members for the Meetings committee. Harley suggested they recruit volunteers for large events.

Karen said the election results are on file in the office.

The Council gave Eleanor a gift in appreciation of her year as president - a watercolor painting of her home done by Ginny Senders. We also thanked her for hosting our end-of-year picnic at her house.

Suzanne Lehman, secretary