

5 College L I R Council
Minutes, Meeting of 2/13/97 at the 5 College Office

Present: Barondes, Beal, Egginton, J. Glickman, A & R. Grose, M. Holden, Lehman, Melrose, Navon, G. Rollason, Sherman, D. Snoek, G. Snook, and H. Unger.

Meeting was called to order at 1:30 by the President, David Navon.

Corrections to the Minutes of 12/12/96 and 1/9/97

There were no corrections to the minutes of 12/12/96.

In the minutes of 1/9/97 Harley asked that the heading of Finance Committee be changed to Finance Committee and E I N.

The minutes were approved.

Announcements

David announced that the Field House is going to be remodeled and that the Smith College Dean of Faculty has decided that we must move from the office in May or June. The College is looking for another location for us on campus.

David asked if we should hire someone to cover the office during the summer months.

Moved: that David investigate how much time would be needed.

Motion passed without dissent.

E. I. N.

Harley passed out a list of all local participants in the N. E. Regional Conference in April as well as outside people participating in sessions moderated by 5CLIR members.

The Conference has grown. According to Judy Muller there will be 106 speakers. Since many presenters don't appear and the host institution is responsible for filling the gaps, we need substitute standbys.

The registration fee for our members is \$113. (\$128. for others) which, with our LIR subsidy of \$25. brings the registration fee down to \$88.. Anyone who does not register may go to dinner for \$30. and lunch for \$15.. Moderators and speakers are urged to register for the full conference.

Ann reported that she has 22 volunteers so far. Each volunteer will attend one seminar as helper at which he/she will take notes and may attend another seminar of his/her choice. Judy Muller will lead a training session for volunteers from 12 - 2 on Sunday, April 13. Registration is at 3:30.

Parking fee, good until 5 P.M. on Tues Apr. 15, is \$5..

The banquet room at the Campus Center will seat as many as 250. Ninety rooms have been reserved in the Campus Center Hotel. Valley Transporter charges \$28. one way to Bradley and \$24. one way to Springfield Amtrak Station. Peter Pan and 5 College bus will be available.

Rental for a computer line at the C. C. is \$15.. Harley will bring his.

A publisher will contribute \$800. to pay for the two receptions.

Ann will be the official photographer.

Notices will be sent out this week.

Ann and Karen will decide on how the information packets will be distributed to 5CLIR members.

Suzanne will seek resolution of conflicts between our scheduled seminars and the E.I.N. conference.

Finance Committee approved giving members in need \$50. toward EINConference registration fee and all other registrants \$25..

The \$10,000 of our funds which 5 Colleges is allowing us to invest and collect income from has been invested in a money market fund at 5% interest.

Moved that the contribution of \$50. toward the conference registration fee for those in need come from the Donor's Fund; that the registration fees of Jean Stabell and Karen plus the \$25. to be given to all other registrants come from the General Fund.

Passed without dissent. Thanks to Ann and Harley were expressed.

Conversations over coffee - Nothing new to report.

Special Events

Investigation into foreign trips continues. There will be a report next time.

Two comments: Saga tours are very good. Five Colleges trips are expensive.

Barbara Snoek investigated the possibility of our buying new amplifying equipment. Our present system which includes both CD and tape recorder cost \$150.. A transmitter system that would take six \$96 headphones would cost \$1,000. and would serve 6 people. A Whately table-amplifier which also would serve only a few people would cost \$1,000..

Mary Egginton will serve on a committee to investigate. Clark School will know what is available.

Mary Linehan of EIN has asked if we would like to bring to our area the Exhibition on Jewish Children Deported from France (1942 - 44) after April 1. It is offered by the New School for Social Research. The consensus was that the cost of \$5,000. was beyond our resources.

David asked for a volunteer to review past Council and Curriculum Committee minutes and to tabulate from them motions passed by the groups. If Virginia Beal won't do it, he'll put a notice in the Newsletter.

Curriculum Committee

There are 133 registered for seminars, including 12 new members and 2 returning.

Women in World War II was cancelled because of low registration.

A number of seminars are closed and over-booked.

"Wine" and "Creative Writing" had only 6 registrants each, but they are seminars which should be successful with a small number of participants. The Creative Writing seminar will meet at the moderator's home.

The Committee will discuss upper and lower limits of participants in seminars. They are revising the seminar proposal form and will ask for recommended upper and lower limits.

In response to a letter from Karen most of those who didn't register for seminars this semester cited health or travel reasons.

The average number of seminars that members sign up for is 1.6 - the "Navon number"

Newsletter- March 15 is the deadline.

Winter/Summer Program Committee

The winter program was very good.

For the summer program they're concentrating on 4 areas: Music and theater, tours, local points of interest and workshops.

They've had 25 volunteers to serve on the committee, and they plan 13 - 16 events, 1 / week in addition to Chester - everything from financial planning to Horace Boyer. They will also provide a list of opportunities that members can pursue on their own, i.e., Plum Island Ferry which takes 4 - 5 people for \$45. apiece, the oriental gardens at Innesfree in Millbrook, N.Y., etc..

The Committee's next meeting is March 22. They expect to be finished by May 2. Jack doesn't see the need for a summer secretarial worker in the office. The co-chairs will serve as a clearing house for summer events that the committee plans. The Committee was reminded that members should be allowed to register for summer events before they are open to the public.

Publicity

EIN Conference publicity will be a priority closer to April 13 - 15.

April 15 is the 5 College deadline.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:20.

Respectfully submitted,



Grace S. Rollason, Secretary