

NEXT MEETING OF THE 5CLIR COUNCIL WILL BE

THURSDAY, JULY 13, 2000 AT 1:30 PM

FIVE COLLEGE, INC., AMHERST

Five College LIR Council
Minutes of the meeting of June 8, 2000
Held at Five Colleges, Inc., Amherst

Present for the Council were: Pat Keating, (President), Ted Belsky (Vice-President), Charlotte Winston (Treasurer), Diedrick Snoek (Past President), Chuck Gillies ('01), Jonathan Hanke ('01), Paul Rothery ('00), Harley Unger ('00) and Naomi Yanis ('02). **Also present** were Peg Bedell (Chair, Publicity), and David Moriarty (Chair, Membership).

Missing for the Council: Anne Keppler (Secretary), Ed Buck ('02), Nylda Glickman ('02), Amy Johnson ('01), and Barbara Snoek ('00).

Others missing: Lise Armstrong (Curriculum), Thelma Isaacs and Marcia Silverman (Special Events), Allen and Kathleen Johnson (Meetings), Jackie Wisneski (Newsletter) and Ariella Nasuti (Five Colleges, Inc.)

1. The meeting was called to order by the President, Pat Keating, at 1:35 PM.
2. The minutes of the last meeting (May 11, 2000) were approved as written with the following comments, corrections and discussion:
 - (a) Diedrick asked that the “??” be removed from paragraph II 3.! (i.e., he loves us all without qualification!).
 - (b) It was agreed that complete minutes should be taken in the future at the Annual Meeting, to record nominations and any changes in the by-laws;
 - (c) It was noted that Karen does an Annual Report, generally in September, which is submitted to Five Colleges, Inc. It was agreed that Council members should receive a copy of this report in the future;
 - (d) It was noted that at our last meeting Lorna Peterson had suggested a more significant report that should be done every five years or so and submitted to the Five Colleges. It was agreed that this is important and that Ted Belsky will be sure it is done.
3. Pat Keating made brief remarks as the retiring President, including “au revoir” and that it had been a “wonderful Council” and that she has appreciated all the support and frank discussion. The Council again commended her for her fine leadership.
4. Diedrick Snoek reported for the Nominating Committee that ballots will be counted on Tuesday, June 13 at 10:00 AM. After discussion he agreed that he should not be a

member of the three person "counting group". It was noted that a fourth person needs to be selected to complete Chuck Gillies' term, as he is becoming Secretary. Traditionally the President appoints the fourth highest vote-getter in the balloting. Diedrick also noted that the new Nominating Committee, to be appointed in the next fiscal year, is supposed to research ways to increase nominations, or open the process more, for officers and Council members.

5. Diedrick also reported that he had met with Gregory Prince, President of Hampshire College, following up on conversations at our Tenth Anniversary celebration. The matter of a new office/classroom space in one of Hampshire's several building projects was high on the agenda. Diedrick found President Prince receptive to our needs, perhaps even eager for our participation. The most interesting possibility is a new conference center, a joint project of Hampshire and U. Mass, where 5CLIR might have space, including a classroom. Council was enthusiastic over his report!

6. Ted Belsky reported that he had had an offer from John Armstrong to create a web site for 5CLIR. John suggested a small committee, including Eleanor Shattuck and Linda Stairmand be formed. It was moved and seconded that,

We accept with gratitude John Armstrong's offer to create a 5CLIR web site.

The motion was adopted unanimously. It was noted that the current web-site committee was now defunct.

7. Charlotte Winston presented the Treasurer's Report and noted that there was one more month to include in the fiscal year. She noted that even though June is generally a heavy expenditure month that we are "on target" for the year and should do quite well as membership is more than anticipated. To date \$400.00 has been received in the Donor's Fund. Charlotte reported that a couple of people have made use of our new reduced fee.

8. Dave Moriarty reported for the Membership Committee that there have been 152 registrations to date, including 11 new members with four couples. There was discussion of whether 5CLIR could get a list from U Mass and the other colleges of names and addresses of retiring faculty and other employees. It was suggested that Five Colleges, Inc. might be privy to such information and that the colleges might include us in any "retirement packet" that they hand out. Dave will pursue. He noted that the next meeting of the Membership Committee will be on June 21 when the primary topic will be their role in the joint meetings this fall with the Curriculum Committee.

9. Paul Rothery reported for the Summer Programs Committee that the Stockbridge trip had to be canceled and that the trip to the Springfield Quadrangle Museums had insufficient enrollment. It was noted that some had been planning on going with their own transportation and a decision to cancel will be reviewed. On Thursday, June 15 there will be a preview of the Miniature Theater presentations. Paul felt that the Summer Program slate was excellent.

10. Peg Bedell reported for the Publicity Committee that (a) she had established contact with persons at all local Councils on Aging and will have details available on their publicity deadlines, etc.; (b) she chose not to publicize the summer programs as they were either full or too lightly enrolled and might be dropped; and (c) she had a lengthy talk with Nancy Pagano at the Bangs Center in Amherst. Ms. Pagano seemed eager to have us use their facilities. There was lengthy discussion of how we should interrelate to the Bangs Center with suggestions that it might be a good location for Conversations over Coffee and that we might get a page in their Newsletter.

11. Under "Other Business" there was a round of applause for the retiring President, Pat Keating. There was also a unanimous round of praise for the departing Treasurer, Charlotte Winston, and the departing Secretary, Anne Keppler, for their three years of consistent, dedicated and high-quality work for 5CLIR! Paul Rothery, retiring from Council, noted that he had greatly enjoyed his time.

12. It was noted that the Hartford Museum will be hosting "Impressionists at Argenteuil", now in Washington, D.C., in the fall and that this might be an excellent project for the new Special Events Committee. Pat Keating would be willing to give a preliminary lecture! There was discussion of whether or not a trip should be on Saturday or some week day, with no resolution.

13. The next meeting of the Council will be July 13th.

14. The meeting was adjourned at 2:43 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles K. Gillies,
Secretary *pro tempore*