

FIVE COLLEGES LEARNING IN RETIREMENT

MEMBERSHIP MEETING

MINUTES

December 13, 1990

Bill Gibson, President, called the meeting to order at the Red Barn, with 64 persons present. He introduced guests from Hanover, N.H., who are organizing a learning in retirement group connected with Dartmouth College. He also introduced Bob Gross, a member of the original planning group from Amherst College who prepared the first draft of By-Laws.

Announcements of Betty Johnson's future programs (she offers a 10% discount on Christmas Trees to members)-- Marjorie Elliott's new book on South Amherst, which is for sale here.

Eleanor Reid announced the arrangements for copier in our office, thanks to Jean Stabell. Volunteers will be needed the first few weeks in January to help process seminar enrollments.

Thanks were extended to Nichole Dunn for her skillful coordination of our Holiday potluck.

David Nevin discussed possible trips to Opera Company of Boston in March and American Ballet Company in New York in April or May. The most interest was expressed in the Opera. Ellie Guinn reviewed some more local possibilities, which could be done with carpooling.

Bill Gibson reviewed the By-Laws proposal. It was suggested that nominations for the Council be received from fall seminars as well as spring. Marjorie Kaufman moved the adoption of Preamble, the Section 1, with amendment to read each term rather than "spring", seconded. There was discussion about whether one person could be nominated twice. Consensus was that they could. A correction to the preamble will clarify that there is one application for membership. Motion was voted.

Virginia Beal moved to adopt Section II on Committees. Seconded and Voted.

It was moved, seconded and voted to adopt Section III, Officers.

Section IV Amendments. It was suggested to allow amendments to be voted at any membership meeting, not just "election" meetings. It was suggested that a quorum be established to membership meetings. There was much discussion about the requirement for a two-thirds vote. The majority favored leaving it.

It was moved, seconded and voted to adopt Section IV.

Marjorie Kaufman introduced moderators and subjects for Spring Seminars. The final list will be in the mail by the end of December.

The meeting was adjourned to enjoy a delicious pot luck lunch.

Respectfully submitted,

Lucy McAfee, Secretary-Treasurer