

Bennington College
September 10, 1941

The Educational Policies Committee met on Wednesday, September 10, 1941, at 6:30 p.m. in the Committee Dining Room. Present were Helen Levine, Margaret Klaw, Hilda Wheelwright, Cynthia Jenkinson, Joan Strong, Ann Mills, and Nika Pleshkoff.

Registration Week

The following suggestions for improvement of the new registration week program were made. A memorandum of these is to be sent to the Community Council.

1. Shortening the registration period by one day, having one day only for faculty-freshman group meetings.
2. Clarification for the freshmen of the fact that the first four days are for registration and that classes do not begin until Tuesday, so that they will not come earlier than is necessary.
3. Have the E.P.C. take a more vital part in registration week.
 - a. faculty could refer freshmen to their E.P.C. member, and explain their function.
 - b. Have E.P.C.-freshman meetings immediately.
4. Have the faculty in their own offices for consultation with the upperclassmen on Monday, instead of having the faculty of each division gathered together.
5. The freshman-faculty coffee hour was successful but should be held in a larger place.
6. Having assignments posted immediately worked very well, but it was felt that they could be less difficult.

It was felt that the new plan for registration week worked excellently and was successful in helping the Freshman adjust and plan their programs.

Pre-Registration

The following suggestions were made for the spring pre-registrations:

1. In the spring lists of the students desiring to be in a certain class should be made out, so that the faculty would know who intended to take their classes.
2. The students should see the faculty in the spring about the fall classes.
3. If students change their programs in the fall, only then should they consult the faculty member concerned.

Freshman Meeting

It was decided to have the Freshman meet with their trail major representatives on Wednesday, September 17, to nominate three freshman sub-committee members. The sub-committee members to be appointed by Monday, September 22.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

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