Bennington College September 5,1940

The Educational Policies Committee met on Thursday, September 5 at 1:00 o'clock in the Red dining room. Present were Vida Ginsberg, Phoebe Arnold, Antoinette Larrabee, Sylvia Thayer, Elizabeth Plimpton, Mary Berna, Margaret Dudley, and Dr. Alvin Eurich.

Freshman Orientation

The role of the EPC in the Freshman orientation program was discussed. It was decided to base the EPC Friday night meetings on the talk Mr.Leigh was to give that afternoon, giving opportunity for questions on every point. In the Monday night meetings which are to be held by majors, the EPC will be explained, and the work of the major. The secretary was instructed to give copies to each committee member of the outline prepared last year by Mary Eddison for these meetings. (p.58,1939)

Committee on Student Writing

Antoinette Larrabee was appointed as representative of the EPC on the faculty Committee on Student Writing.

Guiding Service

Mr.Leigh announced in the Community Meeting on September 4 that the fund which has been used in the past to pay students for guiding has been set aside for Fellowships. He suggested that the Community Council and the EPC take over this job on a volunteer basis. The EPC members favor the idea of having the guiding service done without payment, but all agreed that they would not be able to find enough time to do it personally. Several suggestions were offered, however, and the secretary agreed to prepare a report to Mr.Leigh incorporating them. (p. 34-5) Mary Berna requested that this report also be submitted to the Community Council at its first meeting.

Evaluation Study

Dr. Eurich did not participate in this meeting, but accepted the invitation of the chairman to attend the next meeting and report some of the findings of the Evaluation Study which he is directing.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50.

Respectfully submitted,
Margaret Dudley, sec'y