

Bennington College
March 25, 1942

The Entertainment Committee of the Recreation Council met on March 25, 1942.

Those present were: Lila Larsen, Barbara Stark, Flora Bond, Allyn Johnson, Joan Bayne, and Audrey Stern, and Miss Foresman, as well as the members of the Athletic Committee which met at the same time. Margaret Goodhue, Student Treasurer, also attended the meeting.

The minutes were read and corrected as follows: The date for the Spring Dance has been changed to April 25th; the orchestra suggested has been engaged at a cost of \$75 to play from 10:00 p.m. until 2:00 a.m.; we will be able to show a movie free (it is paid for out of a special movie fund) on Saturday afternoon; we are not able to sell beer on the campus because we do not have a license for such selling, not (as stated) because beer cannot be sold to minors.

Spring Dance Weekend:

Cocktail Parties: There was a great deal of discussion about the advisability of having private or public cocktail parties or both. Allyn Johnson reported that Wooley House was very much opposed to the idea of organized public parties and mentioned that Phyllis Shields wished to give a private party of her own and invite whomever she wished. It was decided to ask Phyllis to come to the meeting and talk the matter over with us and this was done. She presented a very creditable argument in favor of private parties and said she thought girls giving such parties would be quite willing to cooperate with the Committee in planning and in arranging guest lists so that no one could possibly be left out. It was decided to allow such private parties as Phyllis's to be organized through the Committee, and that the Committee would arrange for as many other parties to be organized as would take care of all the people going to the dance. There was a tentative suggestion that McCulloch and Kilpatrick houses give a joint party, and that others be held in Swan and Wooley houses.

In connection with the discussion on cocktail parties in the houses, Flora Bond repeated what Miss Shelley had said about faculty members being quite unnecessary at the parties and her suggestion that this time the houses should not feel obliged to invite them.

Movie: As it was necessary that the Committee choose the movie it wishes to order for Saturday afternoon, Allyn Johnson and Lila Larsen were asked to see Miss Grimwood and go over the list of those available. It was noted that the film must be 16mm to fit our machine.

Informal Dance: It was estimated that about 75 girls will attend the informal dance. As it was to cost approximately \$25, it was decided to charge a flat rate of 35¢ per person which will cover everything. There will be six cases of cokes available and a keg of beer which Barbara Stark was to order today to insure safe delivery. Ray Malon and Ethel Winter have agreed to do a dance as part of the entertainment, and Jane Turner will sing unless she has to be away that weekend. Amory Potter is to see Iris Suominen about the possibility of her doing a dance. There will be no piano in the dining room for the Informal Dance. A Clean-up Committee was appointed, consisting of Allyn Johnson, Amory

Potter, Audrey Stern, Jane Allen, Edith Dinlocker, and Flora Bond.

Spring Dance: The extra piano for the pre-dance entertainment (Bennington and Williams octets) will cost \$6 and since we are not having any on Friday evening, we can afford to have two on Saturday. Allyn Johnson offered to donate balloons for the dance if we would decide on a color scheme, and it was suggested that she get green and yellow balloons. Margaret Goodhue will see Mr. Tschorn about having the piano moved. Jane Allen will head a decoration committee to which all members of the Entertainment Committee automatically belong. Miss Foresman suggested that someone ask Mr. Balmer about what greens are available in this season and how we can get them. Barbara Stark is to see that the punch is set up at about 11:30. It is absolutely necessary that we have lists of people who are coming to the dance and their dates as soon as possible. Flora Bond is to see Mr. Tucker and Mr. McBride about the possibility of their giving a jam session at the dance.

The order of events for Saturday is as follows: Movie (afternoon), cocktail parties, supper, entertainment by the octets, dance.

Respectfully submitted,

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