

SEPC Minutes

October 5, 2004 – the vandalism discussion

SEPC talked about the recent rise in vandalism on campus because of its affect on our academic environment. Defacing our work spaces shows disrespect to the students and faculty who came here to learn and teach. We welcome dissenting opinions, but if you can't communicate without disrupting our education, then get the hell out ^{of} our community.

Absent: Ava Heller

- SEPC is happy to announce Riley Arthur as our new Freshman @ Large and Westbrook Johnson as our new Music Discipline Representative.
- Anyone interested in studying MAYA [the animation program] should contact Robert Ransick about independent study options.
- The External Library Review Committee (representatives from Williams, Wellesly, and Boidin) will host a meeting to gather student input about the current status of the library and present ideas about future improvements. The meeting will be Mon. October 18 from 5:00-6:15 in the Upstairs Café. Pizza will be served.
- Jen White has been hired to restructure the College Website. Each discipline will have a link. Any opinions about ideas for discipline specific websites should go to SEPC reps.

Discipline Updates

IKCLC: Anyone interested in the guidelines for studying a foreign language should talk to SEPC reps.

Media Studies: Come hear Mirka Prazak's lecture, Truth and/or Deception: Documentary Film as Evidence on Thursday @ 7:30 in Barn 100.

Visual Arts: Junior Review will happen October 27, 28, and 29.

Music: Jennings Music Librarian Susan Reiss is welcoming opinions about the necessary areas for improvement of the library. She is particularly interested in extending the open hours and would like to know when. The faculty have arranged for a cello teacher to come to campus once a week to serve the growing cellist population. Music Workshop this Tuesday, the 12th, will be devoted to a discussion about the guidelines for studying music at Bennington. Come to voice your opinion.

Science: Learn something by forming a hypothesis and experimenting. F=MA

Drama: Theater In Progress, TIP, will happen twice. The first, Fri. Oct 29 and the second, December 10. Contact SEPC reps. immediately if interested.

Literature: Robert Pinsky will be reading in Tishman on Sunday, November 7 at 2:00. His unprecedented three-year tenure as Poet Laureate of the United States (1997 -2000) was highlighted by his nation-wide Favorite Poem Project, which culminated in an archive of readings of poems for the Library of Congress.

Dance: How did the grand piano get moved from E320 to E303? Who knows? Was it the ghost that dwells in the catacombs? Dancers from Sarah Lawrence and Middlebury are on there way here for a workshop collective. Stay tuned to find out when they might arrive.

Social Science: Social Science Colloquium rules! So does learning about elections!

CCT: Thurs. Oct 14 @ 6:00 in Barn 240 – learn and talk about teaching English in Peru during FWT. Students who are interested, or have been before should come to share experiences.