

Community Meeting

The last Community Meeting of the year was held on Monday evening, June 26. The meeting was held in the theatre instead of in the Barn quadrangle as formerly planned, because of poor weather conditions.

The meeting opened with solo dances by three members of Miss Hill's dance group: Virginia Keene, Mildred Wile, and Prudence Bredt. Group dancing followed with Mary Parker, Mary Kellet, Evis McGrew, Prudence Bredt, Mildred Wile, Virginia Westwood, Grace Sullivan, Virginia Keene, Helen Watkins, and Barbara Scott.

The following business held over from the Community Meeting of June 21 was brought before the meeting by Elizabeth Shurcliff, to be voted upon:

I. RE: Plans for next year's elections

1. That this year's chairman and secretary carry over on next year's council with the Personnel Committee for a month.
2. That in addition to the two council members named above, each of the eight houses elect a temporary representative to the Council at the first house meetings, September 7.
3. That at the first house meetings in October, representatives be elected for the first term and nominations be made for the member at large.

II. RE: Rotation of officers

It was suggested at the last Community meeting that the question of rotation of officers, which means changing one member each month, be left for discussion at the time of permanent elections next year.

III. RE: Voting powers of next year's students at first elections

The new students should be allowed to take part in the first elections next year.

The members of the community voted to accept the above-named plans.

Dr. Leigh introduced in turn the students giving the following reports:

- I. The report of the Store Commission was read by Mary Kent. It explained the meaning of the cooperative movement and the needs of Bennington College for a cooperative store. Dr. Leigh stated that the plan of the Store Committee will be taken up

by members of the committee and the trustees in the early fall to be put into effect as soon as possible.

- II. The report of the Committee on Religion was read by Margot Suter. (A copy of this report may be found at the end of these minutes.)
- III. Elizabeth Johnson read the report of the Athletic Board. It includes a plan for athletics under student and faculty organization for next year. Outside instructors will be called in to coach various sports. Doctor Leigh pointed out that this plan will be carried out next year as an experiment.
- IV. The report of the Educational Policies Committee was read by Molly Gregory. The purpose of the committee as stated in the report, is to bring student problems to the attention of the faculty. (A copy of this report may be found at the end of these minutes.)

Mrs. Barbee-Lee gave a report on next year's students. She spoke of the applications made to date. Ninety students have been accepted and one hundred and seventy-seven have applied. Sixty-five applications have been made for 1934, twenty-six for 1935, and one for 1940. Both public and private schools will be represented in next year's class and there have been applications made for four transfer students. To date fifteen states have been represented and Mexico.

Dr. Leigh spoke briefly on three items: First, the four new houses will be named as follows: Dewey, Canfield, Swan, and Woolley. Second, there have been to date ten new additions to the faculty. Some of these will be part-time. He also stated that Drama will be classed under Art instead of Literature. Dr. Leigh then summed up some of the successes and failures of this past year.

The meeting closed with music by Mr. Schindler's chorus.

Respectfully submitted,

Louise Carr
Secretary