

The following proposal was the result of a discussion between some Bennington students and faculty concerning the importance of sex in our lives, the motivating forces behind sexual relationships, and the necessity for a clear understanding of sex as a part of life in general. We hope that this proposal will be seriously considered by all members of the college community, so that no opinion in the discussion be unexpressed for lack of representation.

Proposal for a sex discussion group

Let it be said at the outset that our interests are not centered in the technique of sexual intercourse nor in the technology of contraception. We are interested in achieving a better understanding of our own sexual nature as a primary human characteristic. Through such understanding it is hoped that we may learn to use our sexuality as a positive force in helping us toward self-realization and fulfillment in attaining mature and satisfying relationships with other young people.

Since none of us can pose as experts in this field, nor would we wish to do so, we would like to propose to people interested in beginning a discussion group that :

1. We meet informally Tuesday evening, September 26, 1967 in Kilpatrick living room at 9:00 P.M. after the community meeting.
2. Our meetings provide an atmosphere in which people will feel free to bring their concerns before the group.
3. We each contribute the wisdom which our own experience has given us for the benefit of the group.
4. We try to be as open and forthright as possible in our discussion.

If it becomes apparent in our discussions that we could benefit from having an expert talk with us, we would make plans to bring this about.

We hope that other ideas will be offered and expressed at our meeting.
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