

April 29, 1964

Dear Mr. Rudolph:

Betty Brown would have liked to write you herself but she is in Europe and so in her absence I want to report that the Board of Trustees of Bennington College has finally invited Edward L. Barnes to do the master plan and design the two new dormitories as required immediately by the expansion of the College. The decision as to an architect for the science, art, and theatre buildings has been postponed until, at the earliest, this summer. You will, of course, be notified of any further developments.

It was a difficult decision because of the high degree of excellence among the architects considered -- each with his special approach and strengths.

We learned a great deal from our talks and feel we owe a debt of gratitude to all who took the trouble to visit the College and comment on the campus. More particularly, we want to thank you for presenting your very clear and perceptive views.

Betty Brown will return at the end of this month and will send back then the material you loaned her.

We all enjoyed meeting you.

Most appreciatively yours,

Mrs. John W. Nields

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