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Minutes & the Quackers

- A follow-up from last week's agenda: camera, and the need to standardize camera technique. It was thought 'necessary' that camera people get together to standardize such things as lighting & exposure time. This, in future, should save time and confusion in using the camera. However, standardization will have to wait until we get new lights for the camera (Steve Izma is taking care of this).
- Another follow-up: Barbara Erb from VOICE and her request for assistance in putting out a newspaper for the elderly. It was generally agreed that not only could we afford assistance in the amount of approx. \$200., but also that this newspaper possibility offered some extension into the community (i.e., offering or making known services available for the elderly). There was some discussion as to the political implications of putting out a newspaper for VOICE, but the over-riding emphasis was the possible occasion of helping senior citizens. Bill Aird emphasized last week's suggestions ~~of~~ to follow up such financial sources as:
 - Phil Johnson--Welfare (Waterloo)
 - Ken Phlug--Community services (Waterloo)
 - Federation of Students of the U. of W.before we agree to endorse the newspaper financially.

SAT. EVENING ADDITION:
* NOT ONLY MY OPINION - MURRAY NOLL, WHO IS ALSO ON
A PRACTICAL PLACEMENT TERM;
ANOTHER SUGGESTED 'OFFICIAL' MEANS OF COMMUNICATING
SERVICES FOR THE ELDERLY & THE WATERLOO CHRONICLE WHICH HAS
FREE DISTRIBUTION AND A COLUMN FOR THE ELDERLY.

However, it was agreed that if all available sources failed, we will put up the money for typesetting & printing of this paper, with the implication of possible repayment (in partial or in full) when other financial aid is obtained. Winnie Lang is to contact Barbara Erb & make further inquiries as to content of paper, people putting it out, etc.

(Why, further inquiries and serious consideration is necessary-- political, social, and economic:

Barbara Erb is a student at Conestoga College in social work. She is now carrying out the "practical placement" part of her studies. She is a volunteer member of VOICE a branch of Community Services, Waterloo. She is a very sincere young person concerned about the elderly in this area. Question: Given the structure out of which she is working, and the information she wishes to communicate (official social agencies & services provided for the elderly) would it not be better that she use official (governmental) aids and means of communicating? ~~EMER~~

Barbara wishes to help start a newspaper for the elderly, but would eventually like to see them control and run their own means of communication. This is a valuable approach, but rings in similarity to a governmental concept undermining LIP grants, OFY grants, etc. Who are we supporting or aiding in such an endeavour? (the-government?) Senior citizens? * It is my opinion that Barbara has a lot of groundwork to do. A newspaper at this stage doesn't seem necessary, especially for what she wishes to communicate. In essence, I believe that we would be putting out a bulletin for community services, Waterloo, and paying for it too. (Just my opinion.)

- Another follow-up: Rod reported that he has been in touch with anansi publ. (rec'd a letter from them) and that there is a likely possibility of 2-4 books. More information forthcoming. Contract committee has sent out feelers in T.O. (Gary Robins via Hariette) and is in the process of establishing better contact with both spoke and cord. Perhaps, there is some means of the cord getting more money: both Gary and Ron are in contact with Trish, helping with suggestions of a better budget allotment. More information forthcoming.
- Although this point was last on the agenda, it is included with the above information: Bill Cino suggested Arts Council Newsletter (McMaster)

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- as a typesetting possibility. He will make inquiries within the next week. Bill Aird suggested that the contract ~~is~~ committee send out as many feelers as possible for commercial contracts so that we can pick the best of the crop. Winnie and Gary to step on it right away.
- Scheduling: Michael Canivet's suggested change in scheduling was adopted and will come into effect within the next scheduling period. Brenda Wilson and Nick Savage (scheduling committee) will also make it their business to distribute individual shop kees, as the new scheduling will close down the shop at certain hours.
- Mary advised that Lowry Toombs called for quotes to print an SCM paper. Mary quoted commercial rates & it was agreed that we could do it. ? really
Lowry to call back.

Bitch session: Phone messages aren't being recorded properly—
Perhaps, in jobs to do some one could ~~xxx~~ set up a telephone message book. Some phone calls are ~~xxxx~~ important to record (Bumont has to operate as a business tool!).

Someone (or some people) is (or are) careless when cutting ~~fix~~ film copy for galleys. If copy is accidentally cut into, mend it immediately or have it re-run.

The meeting had a small attendance: Bill Aird, Bill Cino, Jan Christie, ^{Rod, →} ~~Lesley~~
Brenda Wilson, Bob Mason, Mary Holmes, Winnie Lang, Ron Colpits (half-way)
Liz Willick (towards the end). People were either sick, away, or anxious about a certain riské party (all men) at Courtland.

Much love,
Winnie Pooh Lang