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Dear Jack:

Enclosed is the proposed Constitution and By-Laws as prepared by the Constitution Committee.

You will note that other members of the Executive Committee have been marked for a copy which I hope will save you some work.

The Committee will be forwarding copies of the Constitution to the other Trustees so that they have a chance to review prior to the Trustees meeting.

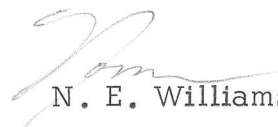
There are some notable changes although generally we have retained much of the old Constitution. Criticism of the Constitution has been vocal over the past 8 to 10 years and we have responded to those points where we felt there was merit.

We have attempted to be more democratic and give the membership the authority to extend the tenure of the Secretary and Treasurer positions. Please be assured that this is no reflection upon the current incumbents. Moreover, we do appreciate the need for greater continuity in these difficult assignments than is allowed the other officers. The only intent was to make it responsive to the democratic process.

We are preparing comments on the other major changes and the reasoning behind them and will discuss this in Minneapolis.

Best regards to you all and hope you have an enjoyable summer.

Sincerely yours,


N. E. Williams

cc: D. Mandry
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November 8th 1978.

To The Executive Committee & B.O.T.

Following are quotations on 2500 & 5000 copies of the revised constitution: \$1035:00 for 2500 & \$1425:00 for 5000.

In my opinion 1000 would be needed for the now life members and approximately 100 annually there-after, in other words we would have a sufficient supply for the next ten years.

Your comments and reply would be appreciated as to the number of copies that you would like printed.

Sincerely .

Jack Meadows, secretary
 W.N.G.C.A.



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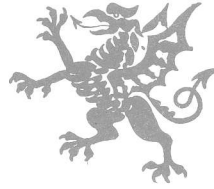
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Dear Jack,

in answer to your letter per-
taining to the by-laws printing, I
feel your suggestion is adequate,
you certainly know more about it
than anyone else.

Hope you are enjoying your re-
tirement and that you will have a
good holiday season.

Sincerely
Alwyn Jones

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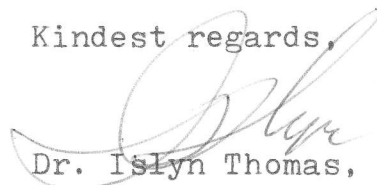
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Dear Jack:

Received a copy of your letter dated November 8, regarding the printing of the revised constitution.

You are the best judge as to what quantity should be produced and whatever you say is OK by me.

Kindest regards,



Dr. Islyn Thomas, O.B.E.

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Dear Jack:

Many thanks for your letter of November 8th. I am in agreement with your opinion expressed in your letter that 1000 would be needed for the Life Members. I am very happy that you are enjoying your retirement, and also that you will be free of the harrasments from the previous nit pickers who did not appreciate your long devotion and work on behalf of the W.N.G.G.A. Inc. I certainly had my eyes opened during the veryhappy two years of being President and working very harmonously with a good and knowlegable Secretary.

Sorry to tell you that I have not been too well, I have had back trouble, the docters told me that my back had been weakened after laying 54 days during my long hospitalization. Luckily I do not have to have a back operation, the diagnosis " Infflamation of the sciatic nerve ends " extremely painful in the back and the calve of my right leg, the treatment, mediaci and rest, which I have been doing for the past month, at last I am able to walk standing up straight. My sister and her husband have invited me to come with them to Florida for the Xams and New Years, we will fly for a 12 day visit, which I am looking forward very much. I enjoyed being present at Minneapolis, so glad that I could make it, and see you and all the good Gymanfa Ganu friend the Minneapolis sponsers were such a friendly group, the hotel very comfortable and I sure that you will receive an excellent report. Regards and good wishes to you both, from



11/15/74

Jack

Would agree on the 5000 printing -
Hopefully it will be 10 years before we have to
redo the Constitution -

Would you kindly give me the address for
Floyd SAVAGE - believe it is Chillicothe Ohio -
Embossed stamped envelope. Thanks

Norm

Best regards to your wife - have a good
holiday season.

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Friday, November 11/78

Dear Jack:

Your letter of November 8th to the Board of Trustees came today.

I think 2500 copies of the Constitution should be more than adequate.

I hope you are not planning to mail a copy to each present Life Member. You may recall the Trustees decided that a copy would be supplied to any member on request. Any new member would get a copy automatically, of course.

At this price, by the way, they shouldn't be too "handy" at all our meetings as the others always were.

Sincerely,

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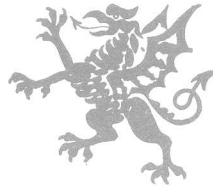
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Dear Jack,

I have your memo of November 8, 1978 regarding the number of copies of the revised Constitution of WNGGA to be ordered.

I do believe our Constitution should be reviewed at least every five years and for that reason I am wondering if we should have a ten year's supply on hand. If we could increase our membership enough to take advantage of the price break for 5000 copies I would be agreeable to that. However, unless we mount a tremendous membership campaign I do not see that we can increase our membership that much.

Therefore - in my opinion, we should order only 2500 copies of the new Constitution on the theory there will be changes made in at least part of it before ten years have elapsed.

Can you see that some time is allotted at a Trustee's Meeting in Niagra Falls so that increased membership could be discussed?

We enjoyed seeing the article on you in NINNAU. No wonder you're so efficient - you know administration backwards and forward! The photograph of you and your wife was excellent.

Looking forward to seeing you ^{at} Niagra Falls....

Sincerely,

Donna
Donna C. Davies

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November 23, 1975

Dear Jack,

I in answer to the letter of November 8th 1975, concerning the members of revised constitutions to be printed

It is my opinion you should use your judgement, you know better than anyone how many will be needed in the future.

*Sincerely,
 Elizabeth E. Griffiths*

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Lake Crystal, Minn.
November 24, 1978

Dear Mr. Meadows,

I have your letter of Nov. 8 stating prices on 2500 and 5000 copies of the National's constitution.

Since we would need only about 1,000 for the current membership, and about 100 per year after that, it would seem to me that an order of 2500 should be adequate for some time. It would hardly seem practical to order a supply that would last longer than 10 years.

So my vote would be for the 2500 order--and if the Gymanfa would grow to the point where we'd need more than the 2500, then I suspect we'd be happy to order more.

I hope that you and Mrs. Meadows had a pleasant Thanksgiving--we had a lovely day, with more food than we needed! Winter has come rather early this year, and I imagine that it will be a long one before spring comes again.

Sincerely



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26 November, 1978

Mr. Jack Meadows,
Youngstown, Ohio.

Dear Jack:

That was a very nice photo of you + Mrs. Meadows in Ninnau. They are giving us good coverage. Now that the Holiday is over, maybe I can get some work done. As far as Douglas Jones and his family are concerned, I chose to ignore them. They hold no special office, and should be treated just like anyone else.

Feris Edwards has written to me requesting that the Golden Jubilee Committee be allowed to utilize advertising space in Y Drych belonging to WNGGA. He states that such has been done in the past for the local committees. I have replied to him that I think this would be O.K. at this year, at any rate,

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all the money will be coming
out of the same pocket. It's
alright with me as long as we
keep strict accounting of such
expenditures. I am writing a
letter to Dave Edwards with this
same information.

In my opinion 2,500 copies
of the revised constitution should be
sufficient. One thousand thirty five
dollars is plenty to have tied up
in that and the constitution should
now be good to last for several
years, I hope.

We've had enough fussing -
it's time for singing.

Bob Hoyle,

Dave Munday

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The St. David's Society of Minnesota

and

The Minnesota-Iowa Gymanfa Ganu Association

welcome you to the 47th Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu
on September 1, 2 and 3, 1978.

██████████ N. Park Ave.,
Philadelphia, Pa. 19141
November 28, 1978.

Mr. Jack Meadows, Secy.,
██████████ Southern Blvd.,
Youngstown, Ohio 44512.

Dear Jack:

Considering the high cost of printing at this time, your quotations on the printing of the revised constitution seem reasonable.

It would appear to me that a ten year supply would be adequate. According to your letter this would be approximately 2500 copies. Inasmuch as you are familiar with number dispensed each year, you are in a better position than anyone else to judge how a large a supply should be kept on hand. To me, 5000 copies seem an excessive amount.

Whatever decision is reached by you and the Executive Committee on this will be acceptable to me.

Sincerely yours,

Irene

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Nov. 28/78

Dear Jack,

Thank you for your letter re-
Quotations Regarding Revised Constitution
The Price Difference Between 25,000 & 5,000 is so small
that I heartily agree that it would be wise to get
5,000. (Prices will be higher in the future.)
Thanks also for this stationery which I think is
very nice.

When sending out mail to members, may I suggest you
make one mailing to us. My wife is listed as
Ruth Olin Watkins (Eliminating Extra Postage)
Hope to see you in Niagara Falls

Sincerely
Raymond L. Watkins

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Dear Jack.

Thank you for your letter with the notes on the revised constitution. I am in agreement with your thoughts on it. 1000 should be ample for our needs in the next few years.

I trust everybody is well at Jack and the same as we are here we leave on Dec 15th for two weeks in Freeport. So we will think of you in the snow.

Sincerely,
J. J. J.

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Executive Committee 2219, Glendon Avenue,
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and Leon Inc., U.S.A., 7-22-77
Dear Sirs,

- Re (1) "Amendments to Articles of
Incorporation,"
(2) "Amendments to Constitution
and By-Laws,"
-

I hereby put forward 2 (two) resolutions
separate and apart from each other.

(1) Be it resolved that the Articles of
Incorporation of The Welsh National Gymnastu
Gym Association Incorporated be amended
to specify our correct designation, purpose
and its reflection upon the cultural
well being of the Welsh people in
compliance with State, Provincial and
Federal Laws of U.S.A. & Canada respectively.

(2) Be it resolved that the 1971 Constitution
and By Laws of "The Welsh National Gymnastu
Gym Association Incorporated" be amended
in total to comply with our Articles of
Incorporation State, Provincial and Federal
Laws of U.S.A. and Canada accordingly.

As of this date and at least as far
back as 1971 this has not been the case.
Articles of Incorporation, Constitution & By
Laws are strictly Annual General Meeting

business and should be placed before
the annual meeting without question.

All the questions I have raised
in my previous letters to Miss
E. M. Thomas I will be happy to
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its validity and its legality.
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(to others' personal gain) Without
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See you in Ottawa,

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"Benwch, Cwmn I'r Arglwydd"

Constitution



The Welsh
National Gymnastfa Cwmn
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Adopted 1978

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(Adopted 1978)

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ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the Association shall be The Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "the Association").

ARTICLE II

PURPOSE

To preserve, develop and promote our Welsh religious and cultural heritage, including but not limited to the Gymanfa Ganu, and our religious and cultural traditions, and to do all things necessary and proper to accomplish and enhance the same.

ARTICLE III

ELIGIBILITY FOR MEMBERSHIP

Any person of Welsh lineage or any person or organization in full sympathy with the stated purpose of the Association shall be eligible for membership.

ARTICLE IV

SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS

- a) Any organization or individual whose membership is in good standing shall be eligible to sponsor an Annual National Gymanfa Ganu or a Regional Gymanfa Ganu.
- b) The Sponsoring Organization of a National Gymanfa Ganu or of a Regional Gymanfa

Ganu, if any, shall be governed by the Constitution of the Association and shall maintain the dignity and traditions of the Association.

- c) The Association's hymnal shall be used at the two Gymanfa Ganu sessions. A copy of the program for the Gymanfa Ganu sessions shall be submitted to the Secretary for approval of the Executive Committee before it is printed. All music on the Sunday of the Gymanfa Ganu shall be appropriate for a service of worship.
- d) A National Officer of the Association shall open the Sunday afternoon and Sunday evening sessions of the Gymanfa Ganu.
- e) A registration fee may be charged by the Sponsoring Organization, the amount to be approved by the Executive Committee of the Association.
- f) The Sponsoring Organization shall submit an audited financial statement to the Secretary of the Association within three months of a National Gymanfa Ganu or a Regional Gymanfa Ganu. Fifty per cent of any surplus funds accrued from a National Gymanfa Ganu or a Regional Gymanfa Ganu shall be disbursed to the Association.

ARTICLE V

VENUE

- a) The venue of the Annual National Gymanfa Ganu and a Regional Gymanfa Ganu, if any, shall be decided by the Board of Trustees, four years in advance if possible, from invitations received from eligible sponsors and after complete investigation of the facilities to be used and of the capabilities of the Sponsoring Committee. The

President shall appoint one member from the Executive Committee and one from the Board of Trustees to make this evaluation.

- b) In the event that no suitable invitation has been received two years ahead, the Board of Trustees shall find a sponsor in a city of their choice or shall themselves form a Sponsoring Committee for that particular year.
- c) A Regional Gymanfa Ganu may be held in the East in the year when the National Gymanfa Ganu is held in the West and vice versa. The date of such a Regional Gymanfa Ganu shall be no less than two months prior to or two months after the National Gymanfa Ganu.

ARTICLE VI

GOVERNING BODY

- a) The general business activities of the Association shall be carried out by a Board of Trustees which shall be the governing body of the Association. The Board of Trustees shall be subject to the direction of the members at an Annual Meeting.
- b) The Board of Trustees shall be comprised of seventeen persons elected as set forth in Article VIII and the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Immediate Past President and the Chairman of the Endowment Fund. All shall have equal voting rights. The President shall be Chairman of the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE VII

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

At the first meeting following the Annual Meeting of the Association the Board of

Trustees shall elect a Nominating Committee comprised of at least three members whose duties shall be to prepare a slate of nominees for election to the Board of Trustees.

**ARTICLE VIII
ELECTION AND ELIGIBILITY
OF TRUSTEES**

- a) Trustees shall be elected by the members of the Association at an Annual Meeting for a three-year term. A Trustee completing two consecutive three-year terms shall not be eligible for re-election for the following two years.
- b) In the event of the resignation or death of a Trustee, an election to fill the vacancy for the balance of the unexpired term shall be held at the following Annual Meeting.
- c) Only persons who have been members of the Association for at least the preceding three years shall be eligible for election to the Board of Trustees.
- d) A nominee for Trustee shall be present at the election or shall have indicated in writing to the Chairman of the Nominating Committee or to the Secretary his willingness to serve. No nominations may be presented at the Annual Meeting which do not fulfil the foregoing.
- e) Three Trustees shall be residents of the United States west of the Mississippi River; five shall be residents of Canada; and nine shall be residents of the United States east of the Mississippi River.

**ARTICLE IX
ELECTION AND ELIGIBILITY
OF OFFICERS**

- a) The Board of Trustees shall elect a President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer, who shall be known as the Officers of the Association. Only a person who has been a member of the Association for at least the preceding three years shall be eligible for election as an Officer but it is not required that he be serving on the Board of Trustees at the time of his nomination and election to office.
- b) No nomination for an Officer of the Association shall be made without having obtained the consent of the nominee for that office.
- c) The President and Vice-President shall be residents of the United States or Canada.
- d) The Secretary and Treasurer shall both be residents of the United States since the Association is incorporated in the State of Ohio.
- e) The term of service for both the President and the Vice-President shall be two years. The President shall not be eligible for a second term until two years have passed after completion of his term of office, nor during those two years shall he be elected Vice-President, Secretary or Treasurer.
- f) The Secretary may serve two successive three-year terms but he shall then not be eligible for re-election until three years have passed without the consent of a majority of the members voting at the Annual Meeting following the completion of his fifth year of service. Each subsequent re-election shall be subject to the same procedure.

- g) The Treasurer may serve two successive three-year terms but he shall then not be eligible for re-election until three years have passed without the consent of a majority of the members voting at the Annual Meeting following the completion of his fifth year of service. Each subsequent re-election shall be subject to the same procedure.
- h) If elected an Officer of the Association, a Trustee shall relinquish his trusteeship and the vacancy shall be filled at the following Annual Meeting, as provided in Article VIII (b).
- i) No one shall hold two offices at the same time excepting that, in the event of the resignation or death of an Officer or his inability to serve, his duties may be temporarily performed by another Officer until a successor shall be elected by the Board of Trustees to complete the unexpired term.

ARTICLE X

RECORDING SECRETARY

- a) The Board of Trustees shall elect a Recording Secretary whose term of office shall be two years and who shall be eligible for re-election.
- b) Unless he is an elected Trustee, the Recording Secretary shall not be permitted to vote at meetings of the Board of Trustees.
- c) The Recording Secretary shall record the proceedings of the Annual Meeting and the proceedings of the meetings of the Board of Trustees. He shall mail copies of his report to the Officers and to the retiring President, if any, within thirty days after

the meetings and to each member of the Board of Trustees thirty days prior to the next Annual Meeting.

- d) He shall arrange for the preparation of sufficient copies of the minutes of the Annual Meeting for distribution to the members present at the next Annual Meeting of the Association.
- e) He shall read the minutes at the Annual Meeting and at meetings of the Board of Trustees when required. He shall be the custodian of the Minute Book of the Association.
- f) In the event that the Recording Secretary is unable to perform his duties at the time of a business meeting, the President shall appoint a substitute from within the membership of the Association.

ARTICLE XI

ASSISTANTS

- a) The Board of Trustees may elect from the membership of the Association any assistants it deems necessary. The term of office of such an assistant shall be two years and he shall be eligible for re-election.
- b) Such an assistant shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the Board of Trustees. However, such duties shall in no manner conflict with the power or duties of any Trustee or Officer, the Recording Secretary or the Chairman of the Endowment Fund.
- c) Such an assistant may attend meetings of the Board of Trustees but, unless he is an elected Trustee, he shall not be permitted to vote.

ARTICLE XII

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- a) The Executive Committee shall be comprised of the President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer and one member elected by and from the Board of Trustees whose term shall be for two years and who shall not be eligible for re-election as member-at-large of the Executive Committee until two years have passed after completion of his previous term in this capacity.
- b) The Executive Committee shall meet as deemed necessary by the Officers and, at their direction, may invite other members of the Board of Trustees, the Recording Secretary, Assistants or Committee Chairmen to meet with them.
- c) The Executive Committee shall have the authority prescribed by the Constitution and as may be further set out by the Board of Trustees.
- d) The Executive Committee shall be responsible for carrying out the business of the Association and exercising a general supervision of the affairs of the Association between meetings of the Board of Trustees subject, however, to the control of the Board of Trustees. Minutes shall be taken of all Executive Committee meetings and shall be mailed to the Trustees within thirty days following the meeting date.

ARTICLE XIII

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- a) The President shall preside at all business meetings of the Association. He shall ap-

point any committees deemed necessary for the furtherance of the purpose of the Association, with the exception of the Nominating Committee. He shall be an ex officio member of any such committee, with the exception of the Nominating Committee, but he shall not be permitted to vote at meetings of such committees. He shall perform all other duties incumbent upon his office as President or that may reasonably be required of him by the Executive Committee or the Board of Trustees.

- b) The Vice-President shall, if the President be absent, preside at all business meetings of the Association. He shall perform any other duties that may reasonably be required of him by the President or the Board of Trustees.
- c) The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of all proceedings of the business meetings of the Association as supplied to him by the Recording Secretary. He shall maintain an accurate record of the membership and issue membership cards as necessary. He shall be the custodian of all books, records and property of the Association pertaining to his office. He shall be responsible for the general correspondence of the Association and he shall perform all other duties incumbent upon his office as Secretary or that may reasonably be required of him by the President or the Executive Committee or the Board of Trustees.
- d) The Treasurer shall receive all funds and shall deposit them in the name of The Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association, Inc. in a bank or trust company. He shall make all necessary disbursements by cheque

signed by two persons so authorized by the Board of Trustees. He shall keep an accurate record of all receipts and disbursements and shall be the custodian of all books and records pertaining to his office. He shall submit his books and annual financial statement for audit before the Annual Meeting of the Association. He shall present the financial statement at the Annual Meeting.

ARTICLE XIV AUDITORS

Two auditors for the ensuing year shall be elected at each Annual Meeting of the Association. In the inability of one of both of them to act at the time the audit is to take place, the President shall appoint a substitute or substitutes.

ARTICLE XV MEETINGS

- a) The Board of Trustees shall meet at least twice a year, viz. as close as possible before and as close as possible after the Association's Annual Meeting, the time and place to be designated by the Executive Committee. The Secretary shall advise the Trustees of the time and place of such meetings.
- b) Special meetings of the Board of Trustees may be called by the President or by a majority of the members of the Board of Trustees. Notice of such meetings shall be mailed thirty days in advance and shall state the purpose of the meeting.
- c) Should it be necessary to canvass the views of the Trustees and/or take a vote on any matter between meetings of the Board, this

shall be done by the President or the Secretary by first class mail.

- d) The Annual Gymanfa Ganu shall be held on Labor Day weekend or at such other time as the Board of Trustees shall deem suitable. A Worship Service shall be held on the Sunday morning and a Gymanfa Ganu on the Sunday afternoon and Sunday evening. Any change in this format shall require the approval of the Board of Trustees.
- e) The Annual Meeting of the Association shall be held on the same weekend and at the same place as the Annual Gymanfa Ganu, the day and time to be designated by the Executive Committee. Notice of the Annual Meeting shall be mailed by the Secretary to the members at least thirty days in advance.

ARTICLE XVI DUES

- a) Annual dues for an individual shall be \$5.00. Life membership dues for an individual shall be \$20.00. Life membership dues for an organization shall be \$25.00. On payment of dues each member shall receive a card indicating Life or Annual membership and a copy of the Constitution, with amendments if any.
- b) The fiscal year of the Association shall end on July 31st.

ARTICLE XVII ELIGIBILITY TO VOTE

- a) Any individual member in good standing at the end of the preceding fiscal year shall be eligible to vote in person only at the

Annual Meeting or any General Meeting of the Association. Any organization member in good standing at the end of the preceding fiscal year shall be entitled to one voting delegate at the Annual Meeting or any General Meeting of the Association. Such delegate shall be in possession of written authorization from the organization which he represents entitling him to vote on behalf of that organization at that particular Meeting.

- b) The President shall appoint a three-person Credentials Committee to check the membership status of all persons entering the Annual Meeting. Each individual member and each delegate for an organization member shall be handed a ballot form for use at the meeting, such ballot form to be handed back to the Credentials Committee if the member or delegate wishes to leave the meeting before completion of the election.
- c) Voting by proxy shall not be permitted at any business meeting of the Association.

ARTICLE XVIII VOTING PROCEDURE

- a) At the Annual Meeting and at meetings of the Board of Trustees voting for the election of Trustees, Officers or Assistants shall be by secret ballot, the ballot papers to be prepared by the Secretary. Where there is only one nominee for a position, the vote may be taken by a show of hands.
- b) The President shall appoint tellers to count the votes. A simple majority vote shall be decisive. In the event of a tie vote, the President shall break it unless he has already cast a vote in that particular elec-

tion. If he has already cast a vote, the members shall vote again on the nominees who received an equal number of votes.

- c) The result of a secret ballot shall be announced by the President. He shall not disclose the number of votes received by any nominee.
- d) Following an election the President shall request a motion for the ballots to be destroyed by one of the tellers.

ARTICLE XIX ENDOWMENT FUND

- a) The Board of Trustees of the Association shall elect a Chairman of the Endowment Fund who shall be a resident of the United States. The term of office shall be two years and he shall be eligible for re-election.
- b) All monies received for the Endowment Fund shall be deposited in the name of The Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association, Inc. Endowment Fund in a bank or trust company and shall constitute the principal of the Fund.
- c) The Chairman shall issue a receipt for each donation, such donation being tax exempt under the Internal Revenue Code of the United States. He shall keep an accurate record of the contributors and contributions and shall submit a statement to the members of the Association at the Annual Meeting.
- d) The Chairman shall be responsible for the investing in trustee securities of any monies deemed to be surplus in the bank or trust company account. He shall be responsible for the safekeeping of all securities purchased with the monies of the Endowment Fund and for the receiving

- of all interest or dividends payable thereon.
- e) Income derived from the principal of the Endowment Fund may be used to further the purpose of the Association, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees. Any such disbursement shall be made by cheque signed by two persons so authorized by the Board of Trustees.
 - f) The principal of the Fund shall not be subject to disbursement except in the event of the dissolution of the Association, in which case the Fund shall be deemed to be part of the general funds of the Association and shall be disbursed in accordance with Article 23.
 - g) The Chairman of the Endowment Fund shall be responsible for the promotion of the Fund.
 - h) The Chairman may, subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, delegate any or all of his duties. Notwithstanding this, the Chairman shall at all times be fully responsible for the assets of the Endowment Fund.

**ARTICLE XX
HONORARY AND EX-OFFICIO
OFFICERS**

- a) The President of the Women's Welsh Clubs of America, during her term of office, shall be an ex officio Vice-President of the Association. She may attend meetings of the Board of Trustees and shall be permitted to vote at such meetings.
- b) The President of the Sponsoring Organization of the Annual Gymanfa Ganu and the President of the Sponsoring Organization of the Regional Gymanfa Ganu, if any, shall be ex officio Vice-Presidents of the Asso-

- ciation during the year of sponsorship. Such a person may attend meetings of the Board of Trustees but shall not be permitted to vote at such meetings unless he is an elected Trustee.
- c) The Board of Trustees may, if desired, appoint one or more Honorary Presidents for a period of one year. Such a person may attend meetings of the Board of Trustees but shall not be permitted to vote at such meetings unless he is an elected Trustee.

**ARTICLE XXI
ATTENDANCE OF
REPRESENTATIVES AT MEETINGS**

- a) The President or Vice-President of Welsh Associated Youth ("WAY") may attend meetings of the Board of Trustees and shall be permitted to vote at such meetings.
- b) A representative from a Sponsoring Organization may attend meetings of the Board of Trustees for two years prior to the year of their sponsorship but shall not be permitted to vote at such meetings unless he is an elected Trustee.
- c) The President may invite the Chairman of any Committee of the Association to attend meetings of the Board of Trustees but such Chairman shall not be permitted to vote unless he is an elected Trustee.

**ARTICLE XXII
AMENDMENTS**

- a) The Constitution may be amended by a 75% vote of the members at an Annual Meeting of the Association. The amendment shall take effect immediately upon passage.

- b) Any proposed amendments to the Constitution shall be submitted in writing to the Secretary at least thirty days prior to an Annual Meeting. The Secretary shall immediately mail a copy of such proposed amendments to the members of the Board of Trustees.

ARTICLE XXIII
DISSOLUTION

In the event the Association shall be dissolved, it shall be the duty of the Board of Trustees to distribute any assets on hand to such charitable organization or organizations in the United States and/or Canada which qualify for exemption as charitable organizations under the then existing rules and regulations of the Internal Revenue Code in the United States and/or the Income Tax Act of Canada.

ARTICLE XXIV
QUORUM

- a) Forty members of the Association shall constitute a quorum at the Annual Meeting.
b) A majority of the members of the Board of Trustees shall constitute a quorum for its meetings.

ARTICLE XXV
INTERPRETATION

Notwithstanding that the masculine gender is used throughout this Constitution, women shall have equal rights, duties and responsibilities and shall be equally eligible as members or delegates or to serve the Association in any elected or appointed capacity.