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invites you to attend the 51st Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu on September 3, 4 and 5, 1982

AUGUST 16th 1982.

Dear Mr President & B.O.Ts.

Due to circumstances, please accept my apologies for not being to attend the Friday B.O.Ts meeting, hoping this abbreviated version will suffice, a full report will be given at the annual meeting on Saturday A.M. by your secretary.

All mailings cleared the secretaries desk on time i;e. two mailings for Toronto, with an extra 2,000 envelopes, one mailing for the Presidents message, and one mailing for the Endowment fund, a total of approx-~~14,000~~ 14,000 envelopes addressed.

Hymnals sold--1,800 plus, with 6,059 on hand--seven Phonetics sold with a balance of 118 on hand, I have had to replace a number due to faulty printing.

On July ^{22nd} I attended a meeting with the full committee in WILKES--BARRE a full report will be given at the annual meeting.

Have two bids for 1984, Portland Ore, and Baltimore Md which is forthing in writing.

Life members in U.S.---1057--Canada, 86--and 7, in the U.K. Total of 1150. a loss of 62, Annual paid up members for 1982.55.

Sincerely yours

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

Copy To.
N.Llewellyn.

Dewi Sant Welsh United Church, ● 8 Melrose Avenue, Toronto, Ontario, M5M 1Y6
Minister: Rev. R. Cerwyn Davies, B.A., B.D.
General Chairman of the 1982 National Gymanfa Committee: Miss Eluned M. Thomas

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu association held in Toronto, Canada on Friday, Sept. 3rd., 1982 at 2 P.M.

Present: THE REV. J. HUMPHREYS JONES, PRESIDENT
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MRS. EMMALINE DAVIES
MRS. PHEOBE FEELEY, PRES. WELCH WOMEN'S CLUBS

The President welcomed the trustees and others who were present and opened the meeting with a prayer. The President reported that he had appointed Mrs. Emmaline Davies to act as recording secretary due to the absence of Elma Jones who had recently undergone surgery and was unable to be present. A get-well card was circulated for signatures to be sent to Miss Jones.

1. Minutes of the Board of Trustees meeting held in Utica in 1981 were then distributed. It was moved by Cyril Watkins and seconded by Betty Pierce that the minutes be accepted as mailed, motion carried.
2. Miss Eluned Thomas welcomed the Gymanfa to Toronto. Miss Thomas mentioned that Mr. Jack Morgan from Detroit had been most helpful. She reported that after a slow start they had realized approximately \$6000.00 in donations and that they had applied for a government grant. Miss Thomas praised the Rev. H. Jones, President, for his wonderful cooperation. At this time there were 879 registrations with many more expected.
3. Pres. Jones reported that security would be very tight since the world bankers were holding a convention in Toronto at the same time as the Gymanfa, and urged everyone to wear their identification badges at all times.
4. Dave Edwards, treasurer passed out the financial statement of the W.N.G.G.A. and noted with great praise the amount realized from the Utica Gymanfa, \$5,237.30. Mr. Edwards remarked we had been very fortunate with our investments. Eluned Thomas questioned the item on printing and postage (Canada) in the amount of \$456.90. Mr. Edwards said Mr. Meadows had given him these figures, there seemed to be a question of whether it was for hymnals or ???. Miss Thomas said she had repeatedly inquired about the bills owed by Toronto but so far had not had any satisfaction. A lengthy discussion ensued regarding the advertising allowance for the President. Mr. Edwards said most presidents did not ask for the \$250.00, but that he had sent Rev. Jones \$100.00. Mr. Lewis Edwards said it was a precedent for the President to receive the \$250.00 for advertising and it should go on record in these minutes. Mr. Iorwerth Watkins made the motion that this advertising allowance be allowed, seconded by Tom Edwards, the motion was ammended by Mr. Iorwerth Watkins to say that this be set over for consideration on the following day. Ammended motion carried.

5. Mr. Nelson Llwelllyn gave a short secretary's report in the absence of Jack Meadows. Copy attached.
 6. Miss Gwenfair Walters, Way President, gave a report from their organization and complimented Eluned Thomas for her outstanding service and cooperation that she had accorded W.A.Y. Miss Walters was very happy to report that their organization was solvent and was glad to not have to ask for monetary support from the W.N.G.G.A. this year. (financial report attached.) Miss Walters was highly praised for her report that was an inspiration to all. They have 95 new memberships and have put out 2 newsletters.
 7. Emmaline Davies and Betty Pierce gave a presentation and special invitation to host the 1984 W.N.G.G.A. in Portland, Oregon. It is to be a joint effort of the Portland Cambrian Society and the Bryn Seion Welch Church of Beavercreek. Bryn Seion will be celebrating their 100th. birthday in 1984. The presentation met with enthusiasm. A representative from the Marriott Hotel Corporation addressed the meeting and informed the trustees that if the W.N.G.G.A. would be interested in having their events in any city where there was a Marriott Hotel, a very special consideration could be made. Pres. Jones thanked the representative. Pres. Jones then asked if the Portland invitation should be voted on today, since, in Mr. Meadows report, he intimated there would be an invitation from Baltimore, Maryland? Mr. I. Watkins made a motion to vote on the Portland invitation. Mr. Lewis Edwards seconded. There were 10 ayes, and 5 nays, motion carried. Mr. I. Watkins then made a motion to accept the Portland invitation, seconded by Mr. Tom Edwards, motion passed unanimously. Norman Williams commented that we should be very diplomatic and encourage Baltimore to extend an invitation for 1985. Tom Edwards made a motion to this effect, seconded by Betty Pierce, motion carried.
 8. Catherine Dodd reported that Mr. Edwards had refused to let her assist in any way with the treasurers duties. Miss Dodd expressed dismay and bewilderment with the attitude from her friend and associate. Mr. Edwards replied there was so little knowledge to share and that the report was very simple to prepare. Mr. Tom Edwards addressed the body and stated he was distressed that the Secretary and Treasurer both were so unwilling to enlighten their assistants. Mr. Dave Edwards then stated that he would be resigning at the trustees meeting on Saturday. The recording Sec. asked him if this should be put in the minutes and he said "yes". Pres. Jones urged both of these officers to cooperate with their appointed assistants.
 9. Pres. Jones voiced surprise that no one was present from Wilkes Barre to present their plans for 1983. Eluned Thomas stated that Wilkes Barre had not been advised by the Secretary that they were invited and expected to be present for the meeting. Dr. Islyn Thomas reported that he had learned from friends in the area of Scranton/Wilkes Barre, that their plans were progressing very well.
 10. Mrs. Pheobe Feeley from the Welsh Women's Clubs was asked to say a few words by the President. Mrs. Feeley said she was happy to share the enthusiasm about the Welch home and the activities of the Welsh Women's Clubs. She was especially pleased to hear the excellent report from W.A.Y. Mrs. Feeley received a warm welcome. Dave Edwards commented he had recently attended a very good Gymanfa at the home.
 11. Pres. Jones then thanked the trustees that were retiring from the board.
 12. Dr. I. Thomas gave a report from the Welsh Heritage Foundation, which is flourishing and does have funds available for many worthy endeavors of the Welsh.
- Pres. Jones asked Mr. Edwards to dismiss us with a prayer and declared the meeting adjourned.

Emmaline Davies

Acting Recording Secretary

Minutes of a meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Welsh National
Gymanfa Ganu Association held in Toronto, Canada, Sat. Sept. 4, 1982-2:30 P.M.

The President, Humphrey Jones welcomed the newly elected trustees as well as the other members, those present were:

The Rev. J. Humphreys Jones, President
Mr. Norman Williams, Vice President
Mr. Jack Meadows, Secretary
Mr. Nelson Llewellyn, Asst. Secretary
Mr. David Edwards, Treasurer
Miss Catherine Dodd; Asst. Treasurer
Mrs. Egmaline Davies, Acting Recording Secretary
Mr. Tom Edwards
Miss Gwenfyl Jones
Rev. Neal Lloyd, Member at large of Exec. Comm.
Dr. David L. Mandry
Mrs. Betty Pierce
Mrs. Irene Pritchard
Mr. Paul Stevens, Chr. Endowment Fund
Dr. David Thomas
Miss Eluned Thomas
Mr. Iorwerth Watkins
Mr. Morris Wrench
Mrs. Gwen Lucas
Miss Betty Kinsey
Miss Mary Roberts, Pres. of W.A.Y.
Mr. Lewis Edwards
Mr. Cyril Watkins
Mrs. Olwen Welk
Mrs. Pheobe Feeley, Pres. of the Welsh Women's Clubs

1. The matter of the invitation to visit Wales and hold a Gymanfa Ganu there was discussed. Neal Lloyd moved that we do not hold a Gymanfa in Wales. Tom Edwards seconded, Jack Meadows proposed an amendment to the motion to table the matter. Neal Lloyd agreed to the amendment to his motion, Eluned Thomas seconded the motion as amended by J. Meadows which stated we would not go prior to 1986. The amended motion carried.
2. Mr. Meadows stated he had an inquiry as of April 30th., regarding the Baltimore bid for the 1984 Gymanfa. Mr. Meadows read a letter he had received from Cincinnati (copy enclosed) Mr. Meadows said the letter from Baltimore had asked for material and information about putting on a National for 1984. Pres. Jones said we could not pursue this further since the decision had already been made regarding the 1984 Gymanfa. Tom Edwards stated that we should keep in abeyance concerning the decision. Mr. Meadows said it was unfair to vote on Friday about the 1984 National. Mr. Meadows felt that the body should have waited until Sat. Norman Williams stated it was geographically feasible and the group also felt strongly about going to the West in 1984.
3. Pres. Jones reported he had investigated the possibility of compiling a folk song book, many details would have to be worked out. Olwen Welk was asked to speak on the matter since she has compiled two such books, one with folk music and one with Christmas music. Dave Edwards suggested we go ahead and invest the money for such a book. Gwenfyl Jones said there were many books like this and suggested that certainly some members of W.A.Y. should be on the committee. Tom Edwards said he would be reluctant to spend the money from the endowment fund. Pres. Jones reviewed the minutes of Sept. 5, 1981 giving permission to publish a folk hymnal. Eluned Thomas said we should research the books that are available in Wales and money for this project should come from the general fund. Eluned Thomas motioned that the President appoint a committee to pursue this matter. It was seconded by Gwenfyl Jones. Motion carried.

Jack Meadows read a letter requesting information about scholarships. Gwenfyl Jones asked for certain regulations to be adopted concerning scholarships, this should be done very soon and a committee must be formed and given guide-lines of their duties and powers. Dave Thomas made a motion to empower the President to appoint a committee of 3 to explore this matter and to report back to the President, seconded by Tom Edwards. Mr. Lewis Edwards said he has some information he could offer concerning scholarships. Motion passed. Mr. Paul Stevens requested that he be kept informed regarding the requests for money.

4. Election of Officers: The Rev. Neal Lloyd reminded the group that Mr. David Edwards had stated the day before that he wished to resign, Mr. David Edwards tendered his resignation. Mr. Tom Edwards said we hope to accomplish this day with honor and respect. Dr. Mandry moved we not accept the resignation, Morris Wrench seconded. Motion carried.

Recording Secretary: Eluned Thomas nominated Emmaline Davies, Nelson Llewellyn seconded, no further nominations, Mrs. Davies elected unanimously.

President: Tom Edwards nominated Mr. Norman Williams, seconded by Betty Pierce, no further nominations, Mr. Williams elected unanimously. A large applause followed.

Vice President: Lewis Edwards nominated Gwenfyl Jones, Jack Meadows seconded. Betty Pierce nominated Neal Lloyd who declined. No further nominations. Miss Jones elected unanimously.

Chr. of the Endowment Fund: Mr. Paul Stevens nominated by Iorwerth Watkins, seconded by Betty Pierce, no further nominations, Mr. Stevens elected unanimously.

Member at Large: Eluned Thomas nominated the Rev. Neale Lloyd, seconded by Dave Thomas, no further nominations, Mr. Lloyd elected unanimously.

At this time the Rev. Humphreys Jones turned over the gavel to Mr. Norman Williams.

5. The matter of a nominating committee was brought up and Iorwerth Watkins moved the present nominating committee be retained. Tom Edwards seconded, motion passed. The committee will consist of Eluned Thomas, Cyril Watkins and Irene Pritchard.

Assistant Treasurer and Assistant Secretary: Neal Lloyd moved these posts be filled with Catherine Dodd, Asst. Treasurer and Nelson Llewellyn, Asst. Sect., seconded by Betty Pierce, no further nominations. Miss Dodd and Mr. Llewellyn unanimously elected.

6. Neal Lloyd wanted to go on record that he had enjoyed coming to Canada and appreciated the efforts of the Toronto Committee, this was echoed by Betty Pierce. Eluned Thomas thanked the board and Neal Lloyd for his special comment. Mrs. Feeley wanted to express her thanks to the Board for all of the courtesies that had been extended to her. Mr. Paul Stevens expressed a special "thank you" to Rev. Humphreys Jones for his outstanding service as president for the past two years.

7. President Williams stated he would appoint two committees, one to pursue the matter of a folk hymnal and a committee to investigate scholarships.

President Williams then adjourned the meeting.

Emmaline Davies

Recording Secretary

REPORT OF SECRETARY****1981--1982.

Mailed thank you notices to all concerned.

Mailed new list of officers and B.O.T.to all concerned.

As usual all correspondence and Hymnal orders have cleared the secretaries desk,there were four mailings i:e,two for Toronto plus two thousand extra envelopes,one mailing from the National Body with the Presidents message, and one mailing for the endowment fund(side comment)if I may say so,a very poor response, for a total of approx,fourteen thousand envelopes.

Hymnals sold: two thousand plus--with fifty eight sixty on hand, seven phonetics sold with one hundred and eighteen on hand,I had to replace eleven for OAK HILL OHIO due to faulty printing.

Almost \$10.000,turned over to the treasurer

On July 22nd Mr Morris Wrench and your secretary made a quick trip to WILKES-BARRE PA,to attend a full meeting of there committee after which we g en a tour of the facilities,finding the SHERATON*CROSSGATES hotel adequate with other Motels and hotels picking up the overflow,the Masonic Temple which seats 1450 for the concert and Church service,the place for the Gymanfa proper was undecided at that time as they were looking at the Armoury which is large enough but the accoustics are a little doubtful,but they had engineers going over the building to see what could be done.

Have two bids for 1984, Portland Ore,which will be presented by Em Davies, and,Baltimore MD,which will presented by Mrs Flinchum.

Membership: 1057 life,in U.S. 86 in Canada--7 in U.K. total life 1150 a loss 62,Annual paid members 55,total mailing list approx 3,000

NEW BUSINESS: Its getting harder each year to get people to stand that are qualified,and they should be spread geographicly.

And ladies & gentlemen please notify your secretary of any change of address as ere were well over 200 returned from the four mailings.
and last but not least please be on the lookout for sponsors

National Gymanfa Ganu - Folk Song Book

COMMITTEE

Gwenfyl Jones (Chairman)
Maif Roberts
Dr. Owen Parkes

PROJECT OUTLINE

Objective

To publish a collection of songs, both traditional and "modern", suitable for use at Noson Lawen and at various other gatherings.

Background

The past few years have seen a revival in worldwide interest in traditional music. This was sparked, in the 1960's by the Folk Revival in North America, and its subsequent rapid spread throughout Europe. A part of this reawakening has been in the knowledge and performance of Welsh songs and traditional music. This has given rise, in Wales, to a number of groups performing and recording in a variety of styles. The traditional approach is typified by such performers as Meredith Evans and Osian Ellis, while groups such as Ar Log offer a quite different interpretation of the same material. And they are all performing parts of our heritage.

There is clearly no dearth of recordings of Welsh folk songs. There are also available, in Wales, a number of small collections of printed words and music, many of them of a high calibre. However, it is difficult to find, here in North America, a single collection which accurately reflects the broad richness of our musical heritage. Earlier excellent collections, such as the Songs of Wales edited by ~~several people~~ and published by Novello, are a rich source of both material and inspiration. There remains, nevertheless, a need for a book which incorporates both our traditional heritage and some of the newer material made popular by such organizations as Urdd Gobaith Cymru (Welsh League of Youth).

Our hope would be to produce a secular companion to the extremely successful Hymn Book published by the National Gymanfa Ganu Assoc.

Project outline

The work of producing a Folk Song Book may be divided into stages as follows:

i Collection of material

The Committee has gathered together a large collection of Welsh music, both printed and recorded. Anthologies (10) have been purchased and used to supplement material owned by Committee members to form a resource base. From this they have made a preliminary selection of about 70 traditional songs. Additional material has been, and will continue to be, solicited from all interested persons. To this end announcements and appeals for help will appear in *Nináu*, *Y Drych* and other Welsh publications. Once the Committee feels that a significant body of music has been assembled they will consult with a selected group of experts, both in Wales and North America, to ensure that the proposed collection is as representative as possible and constitutes a suitable Folk Song resource for a wide variety of gatherings and functions.

ii Editing and Arranging

All the songs on the "preliminary list" have been published. However, the form of both the words and music varies considerably. The second major phase of the work will be as follows:

a. Decide on the major parameters of format (such as, which versions of text and/or music to use; what styles of musical presentation to adopt; the use of English words and/or translations). A search for the most appropriate word/music mixture for each song would then begin. Once again, we would encourage input from all those interested in the project.

b. Occasionally, existing editions of some songs may not be suitable for inclusion. If this is found, the Committee will obtain the help of suitable musicians in the preparation of new arrangements. Again, attention will be paid to the general usefulness of all material in the context of the *Noson Lawen* and other forms of entertainment.

c. Negotiations for the use of previously published material will constitute the third and final part of this phase.

iii Assembly of First Draft.

The groupings and layout of the collection will begin once the total contents of the book are clear. Every attempt will be made to follow the style and format of the existing Hymnal so as to make the two volumes complementary. Negotiations for printing and production will be a major part of this phase.

iv Production and Distribution

This most important phase will require the cooperation of many interested people; but will be centered around the activities of the National Gymanfa Ganu Association.

v Preparation of disk/tapes

A secondary, long-term project to enhance and support the use of the Folk Song book would be the release of recordings made

by leading Welsh artists or the material within the book. this phase would only be contemplated once the book is published.

vi Target dates

phase i, collection of material	Oct 31, 1983
phase ii, editing & arranging	Aug 31, 1984
phase iii, layout prepn.	Oct 31, 1984
phase iv, distribution	Dec 1, 1984

SUGGESTED BUDGETARY ITEMS

Materials and supplies(music purchase, copying)

Correspondence costs

Arrangers' fees

Copyright negotiations

Printing & production

Travel

Folk
Welsh Song Book

folk song selection by C.O.P. (1st draft, April 22, 1983)

1. Dacw N'ghariad
2. Bugeilior Gwentyth Gwynn
3. Ar lan y Mor
4. Lisa Ian
5. Migildi, magildi
6. Harbwr Corc
7. Molianwn
8. Titrum, tatum
9. Tra bo dau
10. Wrth fynd efo Deio i dywyn
11. Bachgyn bach o dyncer
12. Gee, geffyl bach*
13. Suo-gan (huna blentyn)*
14. Iwei-bei (heno, heno, hen blant bach)*
15. Robin Goch*
16. Bumba
17. Can y melinydd
18. Cerdd dy calan
19. Dacw mam yn dwad
20. Deryn y bwm o Banna
21. Robin ddiog
22. Y deryn bach syw*
23. Y pren ar y bryn*
24. Awn i Fethlem (Christmas)
25. Hw! 'mlan
26. Y ddau bach
27. Cyfri'r geifr
28. Mae 'nghariad i'n fenwys
29. Pa le mae 'nghariad i?
30. Lliw gwyn rhosyn yr haf
31. Mari lwyd (Christmas)
32. Hiraeth
33. Codiad yr ehedydd
34. Croen y ddafad felan
35. Dafydd y garreg wen
36. Y deryn pur
37. Y fwyalchen
38. Y gelynnen
39. Chwylio ty
40. Hob y deri dando (S. Wales version)
41. Tros y garreg
42. Ar hyd y nos
43. Llwyn on
44. Rhyfelgyrch gwyr Harlech
45. Nos galan
46. Clychau Aberdyfi
47. Yn iach i ti, Cymru
48. Pe cawn i hon
49. Mentra, Gwen

- 50. Codiad y hedydd
- 51. Breuddwyd y frenhinnes
- 52. Wrth edrych yn ol
- 53. Morfa Rhyddlan
- 54. Y cwcw fach
- 55. Hen wlad fy nghadau
- 56. Bwthyn fy Nain
- 57. Ble'r wyt ti yn myned
- 58. ~~Suo Cân~~
- 59. Y fam ai Baban
- 60. Carolau
- 61. Caneuon grwpiau
e.g. Ar Llog
Hogiaur Wyddfa
Triaud Y Coleg.

ALREADY MENTIONED #13

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL SECRETARY - WELSH NATIONAL GYMANFA GANU ASSOCIATION

1979-1980 - Vancouver

After delivering 3,000 hymnals to Niagara Falls, over 1,300 had to be returned.

9-6-79 Trustees' lists were mailed.

9-12-79 Wrote appreciation letters to Hotel and Convention Bureau.

10-11-79 Attended meeting with Vancouver Committee.

11-3-79 Mailed copy of Niagara Program to President of U.S. (no reply)

11-7-79 Mailed questionnaire to B.O.T., Hotel quotes etc.

Attended Gymanfa Ganu in Columbus, Ohio. Possibility of National 1982 or 1983?

Attended in Pittsburgh. Possibility of National 1982?

Contacted Norm Williams, possibility of Utica 1981, came to pass - met committee June 6, Sheraton Hotel.

Contacted Paul Stevens concerning federal grants.

2-5-80 Completed first run of envelopes for Vancouver 3751.

4-24-80 Met with Stephen McClosky at Hilton Hotel Pittsburgh for 1982 Morris Wrench

4-24-80 Completed addressing 3500 gum back labels for Vancouver, brochures received.

Total letter returned from first run - 95. Returned from second run - 103.

Completed addressing National letter 5-8-80 Total pieces 10,607 addressed.

Number of hymnals packaged and mailed 2,582. On hand 10,743.


Phonetics sold 6. On hand 139.

Life members in U.S.	1,102)
Life members in Canada	95) 1,204
Life members in U.K.	7)

Total mailing list as of 8-18-80 3,357

Cash on hand received after July 31 (tapes, life memberships, hymnals and other) \$956.00

Many thanks to Vancouver Committee.



Jack Meadows, Secretary