

1987 NATIONAL GYMANFA GANU COMMITTEE MEETING MAY 14, 1987

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Present: Eleanor Wylie, Judy Cilcain, Mae Anderson, Jack Davis, Walter Carlock, Kay Thomas, David Thomas, Marveen Minish

Correction of minutes of April 14: page 2, paragraph 2, line 2 - "Friday non Gymanfa" should read "Friday mini-Gymanfa". Also, add the information that Judy Cilcain distributed sample sheets for cash in and cash out information, with the suggestion that these might be helpful for the treasurer to use. Minutes accepted as corrected.

Treasurer's report: Deposited: \$21,581.55
Disbursed: \$ 1,590.78
New Balance: \$19,990.77

There was discussion regarding name tags, with the resolution that the type used must be large and clear.

It was reported that we have received a contract from the Ordway. It will be given to our attorney for suggestions. It contains estimated costs rather than the firm figures it was thought agreed upon; this will be investigated.

The folk group from Wales now has an official name -- Taran. There has been difficulty in reaching Bethan Bryn. Anne Habermehl has offered to send pictures and biographical information which she has regarding Bethan. Eleanor also has some pictures of her that may be useful. The Welsh artists do not have this type of material as readily available as is customary in the U.S., and we are in need of this for publicity purposes.

The \$750 fee was agreed upon for the Chanters' performance. The director's daughter is being married in the Twin Cities, and when he is here, he would like to see the facilities.

Regarding the Noson Lawen - the chairmen are quietly recruiting talent.

Judy Cilcain reported that the seminars are proving popular with the registrants.

Kay Thomas reported on the WAY activities. Neal Lloyd and Kay Thomas are working on setting a meeting with Gwen. It was suggested that in the future, registration forms have a means of indicating how many attendees fall in the WAY age category, so that planning for numbers can be more precise.

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SUGGESTIONS

The question of child care was again raised. It was thought that perhaps friends of our members might wish to have their names suggested as babysitters. This again brought up the question of any liability for our group. It was suggested that parents could sign a waiver. Since the meeting, Marveen has asked her attorney husband about this. Waivers do not necessarily mean one does not get sued, nor are they a guarantee against liability.

More time was requested for the folk dancing, and it was suggested that the time after the noson lawen might be good.

The director wants a session for the attendees to learn the new

hymns to be used on Sunday. It was suggested that this be scheduled after the banquet.

Regarding the banquet, it was discussed that Ruth Jones is leaving for Australia in July. She has not yet assembled her committee. Kay Thomas is to contact her and get this moving prior to Ruth's departure.

The hotel has Canadian and American flags. We have the Welsh flag the committee was given in Columbus. The Welsh Tourist Board also is willing to lend whatever flags needed. Favors for the banquet were discussed. The banquet in 1978 had favors. It was suggested that if anyone knows companies that might be approached they should speak up.

Jack Davis reported that the Landmark Center would need to be rented for the time between singing sessions. Louise Morrison is deciding which box lunch service will be used. Both Landmark Center and the park won't allow more than 500 persons at a time, if we have understood correctly. Tickets could be color coded for 3 different sittings, if necessary. It is possible that without tables, the restriction of 500 does not apply.

The Marketplace was discussed. Grace Hewitt will demonstrate on a limited basis. She had a problem with the \$100 cost of a booth. It was discussed that perhaps this could be reduced because she is demonstrating as a service to us; perhaps she and John Dingley and others could share the cost of a booth. (Mae had also inquired about the lady who makes corn dollies, as a possible demonstration.) It was suggested that we do not charge demonstrators for the booth but ask a percentage of their sales. Kay Thomas moved that free booth space be offered to John Dingley and Grace Hewitt in exchange for demonstrating their particular craft, plus a percentage from what they sell. Motion passed.

Walter Carlock discussed the program brochure. The committee met and studied 3 bids and selected that of Carolyn Casper. Walter displayed the chosen cover design using a red dragon and red border. He showed the 60-page dummy. The center section will be color coded and could be removed, and will contain the schedule of events. An artist was engaged for \$75 to do a drawing of the area for inclusion in the brochure. Mary Mergenthal has volunteered to edit the entire book. Austin Evans has been securing ads. The World Trade Center will be advertising, and has offered space to the Welsh Tourist Board for the week.

The possibility of a Welsh TV company recording some of the Gymanfa sessions was explored. This has not been possible in the past due to the disruption of the proceedings by such activities, but it was thought that with the modern equipment not relying on bright lights, this might be a possibility. It will be pursued.

It was suggested that a newspaper be handed out with registration material, such item to include names of restaurants in the area, contributions arriving after the date of program printing, etc. It was also suggested that a booklet (program brochure) be sent to those who had placed ads or given memorials, etc. if they are not in attendance to receive a program. The program brochure will cost approximately \$1 each, and there will be 2,500 printed. There

would be adequate quantities for such extra distribution if it is desired.

A representative from the National Trust will be in town on the weekend of the 29th and would like to meet with some of the committee. He is staying at David Thomas' home. It was agreed that some persons would meet with him. It was suggested that he be asked if he would like to have information included with registration materials handed out upon arrival. This would not interfere with the Gymanfa contributions, but would give the Trust a vehicle for distributing information and soliciting contributions after those for the Gymanfa were collected.

Hymnbooks must be ordered for the Gymanfa sessions, for selling at those sessions. Contact will be made with Nelson Llewellyn to inquire how many copies have been needed in the past. Judy Cilcain will take care of this matter.

SEND INFO

The next meeting will be held at Kay Thomas' home, 318 East Diamond Lake Road, Tuesday, June 16, at 7:30 p.m.