

MID YEAR 1997 BOARD MEETING

THE CITADEL HOTEL
 APRIL 19, 1997
 OTTAWA, ONTARIO
 2:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER:

Rev. Dr. Cerwyn Davies, President called the meeting to order. Welcome given and quorum determination established. Prayer offered.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT:

Nelson Llewellyn, Executive Director, read correspondence from the following people:

1. Jack Lewis, Past President
2. Rehoboth Welsh Church Newsletter
3. Gwenyth Crysler, President W. W. C. A.
4. Fax, from Alan Upshall
5. Card from Russell Williams

Nelson reported that a book has been given to our organization by one of the scholarship recipients.

SECRETARY REPORT:

Minutes of following:

1. Executive Committee Meeting - August 30, 1996
2. Board of Trustee Meeting - August 30, 1996
3. Annual Membership Meeting - August 31, 1996
4. Board of Trustees Meeting - Sept. 1, 1996

TREASURER REPORT:

Given by Nelson Llewellyn for Nancy Miller, Treasurer. Nancy, sent the report but was unable to attend.

LONG RANGE PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT:

Ellis Jones, chairperson distributed copies of the committee reports. This committee was established by Jack Lewis, Past President and the same committee has been appointed by President Cerwyn Davies. The President has appointed Jack Lewis to this committee to fill the vacancy left by now President, Cerwyn Davies.

Reports reviewed:

1. April, 1996
2. August, 1996

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In order for the committee to meet together for further planning, prior to the August, 1997 meeting the following motion was made:

Roy Morris moved that up to \$100.00 be allowed per committee member in attendance. This money to be used toward one night of lodging and meals. The Executive Director to make the accommodations.

Seconded: Mae Anderson
 Motion passed

ENDOWMENT/SCHOLARSHIP REPORT:

Reviewed report by Dr. Phillips Davies dated March 31, 1997. Dr. Davies reported that he has met with committee members Myfanwy Davies and Ellis Jones. The committee has made the necessary decisions, which will be made available in Milwaukee.

DIRECTORS, MINISTER, ARTISTS:

Roy Morris reported that advertising has been done in HWYL.

PUBLICITY:

Col. Alfred J. Reese Jr. gave his report on publicity. He requested ideas and articles. Also, a great discovery of all past minutes of W.N.G.G.A including all but two programs. The discovery of the minutes, now enables him to write the history of the organization. He now has the key information needed to do this.

COMPUTER REPORT:

Jack Pritchard stated the last report indicated that he had met with Alan Upshall in Utica and a hardware proposal was given at that time. That proposal still stands. The idea has been suggested by the Executive Director, Nelson that we might consider leasing our equipment. A estimate for leased equipment was distributed by committee chairperson, Jack Pritchard. Necessary equipment can be leased for the fee of \$100.00 per month. Lease would be renewable each year. After much discussion regarding software and future operating system availability of cross platform machines, President Davies asked the Executive Director, Nelson, to sit down with the committee and give a report on their findings in Milwaukee.

WAY:

No report given

DEMOGRAPHICS:

Myfanwy Davies, presented color coded maps showing membership statistics. These were determined from data from the last five "Nationals". It has been noted that the guests who are in attendance are not being counted and we may have to find a way to address this. Myfanwy, reported that one half of those who attended the Wilkes Barr Gymanfa were from Pennsylvania. The maps were given to the Executive Director who agreed to have copies made.

VENUE REPORTS:

1996 UTICA - Report given by Executive Director, Nelson Llewellyn, who referred to the copy provided. All bills have been paid. The report is definitely in the "black", however final statistics will be reported in Milwaukee.

1997 MILWAUKEE - Nelson Llewellyn, reviewed the written report that was provided by the Milwaukee '97 Committee.

VENUE REPORTS CON'T.

1998 COLUMBUS - Lloyd Savage referred to the submitted progress report that had been provided by the venue committee. Lloyd has been exploring the possibility of a simultaneous television hookup with a children's choir in Wales during the Sunday Gymanfa.

1999 Minneapolis - Ellis Jones reviewed the material submitted by the executive committee which has been organized for the Minneapolis, Minnesota venue. One correction however to the submitted information is the date change. The dates should be listed as Thursday, September 2, through Sunday, September 5 (instead of 6). Ellis reported that shuttle service will be available.

President Cerwyn Davies reminded those involved, that starting with the venue in Columbus, the board will be taking responsibility for organization of the Sunday morning service.

Joan Owen Mandry made a motion to accept the invitation to attend Minneapolis for the 1999 Gymanfa. Seconded by Roy Morris. Motion passed.

OTTAWA 2000? - Ian Morris reported the possibility of this happening will depend on the response he receives during the annual general meeting held in May, 1997. Final decision will be announced in Milwaukee.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

Printer for office.

Ian Morris made a motion that we purchase a new copy machine for use at the National Headquarters. Up to \$1000.00 may be spent for this purchase.

Myfanwy Davies, seconded the motion.
Motion passed.

President Davies once again reminded the board members "starting 1998, we will be responsible for organizing the Sunday morning service".

NEW BUSINESS:

The idea was presented by President Davies that possibly our organization could find some way to honor people who have worked so hard and who have not been board members or involved in this capacity. We have a provision in our Constitution ARTICLE XX 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 serving as an elected Trustee.

Myfanwy Davies suggested a certificate be made and presented, possibly at the annual banquet.

Col. Alfred Reese made a motion that we exercise

our authority as stated in the constitution and that Jack Morgan be chosen to accept this award. Howell Pritchard seconded. Motion passed.

President Cerwyn Davies will tell Jack Morgan he has been chosen to accept this award.

David Williams provided copies of Welsh sites available on the internet. The list contained a sampling of thirty (30) listings.

Col. Alfred Reese mentioned the need for a list of societies for the Round Table.

Executive Director, Nelson Llewellyn agreed to do the best possible to provide this list of societies.

President Davies announced that a Past President badge is forthcoming.

President Rev. Cerwyn Davies closed the meeting with prayer.

Respectfully submitted,

Lavina Proverbs