

September 19, 1991

1993 Northeastern Pa. National Gymanfa Committee

A meeting of the General Committee of the 1993 Northeastern Pa. National Gymanfa Committee was held at the First Welsh Presbyterian Church on September 19th at 7:30.

Dr. Ellis Roberts opened the meeting with the Invocation.

Dr. Roberts than stated that the National Executive Board of the Gymanfa Ganu were very excited about coming to Wilkes-Barre in 1993.

The following chairpersons gave their reports as follows:

Aw'R Plant - Blythe Evans Chairman

Banquet - Chairman Ben Davis reported receiving a letter from Genetti's confirming the 1993 reservation. Attorney Steve Killian has volunteered his services to Mr. Davis on this committee.

Workshop - Merle Davis and Beth Landmesser will conduct a workshop on Welsh folk-singing.

Tours - Dan Williams reported three tours are being considered:

1. Tour three Welsh churches
2. Center City tour in conjunction with the Historical Society Welsh Exhibit.
3. Mine Tour

Gymanfa Ganu - George Powell with assistants Wesley Simmers, Merle Baker and Harold Snyder have secured the Armory for the 1993 Gymanfa Ganu.

Two names were submitted for conductor of the Gymanfa Ganu, Mr. Alun Guy, the 1983 conductor, and Mr. Gareth Jones of South Wales. Mr. Robert Anthony read the resume from Alun Guy and Beth Landmesser discussed Mr. Jones' resume. After much discussion, a motion was made by Edith Hill, seconded by George Powell, to end the the discussion and vote. Wesley Simmers, Jack Pritchard and John Roberts tabulated the votes and Alun Guy had the majority number of votes.

Discussion was held on the video and audio taping of this Gymanfa but was tabled for a later date.

Two names were submitted as accompaniest for the Gymanfa. They are Mr. Gwyndaf Roberts and Mr. Mark Laubach. This also was tabled for a later date.

Mr. Jack Pritchard stated that he would talk to Senator Lemmond in regard to the price to be paid for the Armory.

It was mentioned that a new pavilion was being built in Kirby Park but transportation would be a problem.

After some discussion Craig Peters made a motion to make "1993 Northeastern Pa. National Gymanfa Committee" the official name of this Gymanfa, seconded by Edith Hill.

Finances were discussed and it was advised that money could be obtained from the National Gymanfa Committee. Jack Pritchard suggested that Robert Anthony, treasurer, open an account with \$500.00 to be received from the St. David's Society.

Nosen Lawen - No report, however, Beth Landmesser made several suggestions for a more efficient Gymanfa Ganu.

1. different colored tickets for the events
2. registration envelopes too big
3. have banquet reservations
4. have longer tours

Market Place - Jean Jones and Ann Roberts have gotten all vendor addresses so that they may be invited to the Market Place in 1993. Jean and Ann also suggest that backdrops be done by a professional. They also stated that more room is necessary for this Market Place.

Concert - Howell Williams, and Betty and Dan Evans are the chairpersons for this committee.

Church Service - Rev. James Edwards is chairman. Merle Davis will read from the Bible in Welsh.

Program Book - Craig Peters is Chairman

Way Luncheon - Edith Hill is chairperson

Dr. Roberts suggested that the Executive Board meet monthly and November 17th will be the next meeting date for the general committee. This meeting will be held at the First Welsh Presbyterian Church at 2:00.

The mailing of the envelopes and the use of Gymanfa stationery to be discussed at a later meeting.

The buying of hymnals was discussed and tabled for a later date.

Upon a motion made by Craig Peters, seconded by Ben Davis, the Ramada Inn was named as Gymanfa Ganu headquarters.

Mr. Jack Pritchard stated that the following hotels will be used for the Gymanfa Ganu: Ramada, Genetti's Woodlands and Hampton Inn.

Jane Anthony offered to check on logo pins for the 1993 Gymanfa Ganu.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15.

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine Jonathan  
Secretary