

Feb 11th 1978

Minutes of meeting held on February 11, 1978

The 1979 National Gymanfa Ganu Planning Committee met on February 11, 1978 at the Hilton Hotel, Niagara Falls, New York with the following in attendance: Gwyneth Crysler, Lewis Edwards, Dwyn Griffis, Jim Winston, Mair Monkhouse, Hedd-Wyn Williams, Rev. John J. Jones and Lyn Harry.

Rev. Jones led us in prayer. The minutes of the previous meeting were read. Mair Monkhouse made the motion and Rev. Jones seconded that the minutes be approved as corrected. Motion carried.

Gwyneth made a motion that we should cut the transportation mileage rate to 15¢ per mile instead of 20¢ as was approved at the last meeting. Seconded by Lyn Harry. Motion carried. Transportation bills were submitted.

Lewis stated that he had been in touch with Mark Gatley regarding our Goat Island affair and that he has given us his total cooperation. Permission granted to plant a tree or erect a plaque or both, as was previously discussed. Tom Edwards turned down Chairman of the Goat Island program.

Gwyneth said she hasn't heard for Jack Jones and Lewis hasn't heard from Wales. Gwyneth wondered about the security if the Prince of Wales did accept our invitation. Lewis thought the city would be more than glad to cooperate.

Program: Jim Winston found out that when he went to the printers he didn't have enough information. He needs to know how many pictures and how many colors on the front cover. The Committee thought approximately 20 pictures and 3 colors on the cover or a reproduction of a photograph. We have to decide how much to charge for advertising. Jim to ask in what form will they accept our advertising. There will be special rates for Welsh Society's and for churches. The committee is asked to bring back suggestions for the front cover to the next meeting. We also should include a map of the area and restaurants.

Hospitality: Mair asked about the possibility of having a Thursday afternoon hospitality room for tea and coffee for the early arrivals. Lewis will mention this to Margaret and her committee.

Noson Lawen: Hedd-Wyn Williams will set up his committee in Toronto. Tom Jones to be a member of this committee. The committee will get in touch with Trustees in the United States and Canada for names of talent for the Noson Lawen.

Church Service: Rev. Jones said it is really to soon to finalize anything yet. Local of the church service was discussed. There is no church in the area big enough to accommodate. Lyn Harry said the acoustics should be considered when selecting the place. Hedd-Wyn suggested we come early next meeting and arrange a tour of all hotels we will be using and the Convention Center and then decide. Setting up of budget for church service was discussed. (Minister's, soloist and organist fees).

Registration: We must decide what we want on our badges to commemorate our Golden Jubilee. Gwyneth thought that the United States flag and the Canadian flag on each side with 50 in the middle would be suitable. The registration fee was discussed. This will be decided later when we know our budget figures.

Banquet: Chris Edwards declined Banquet Chairman. Mair Monkhouse accepted this responsibility to take care of the Banquet arrangements and the Music Committee will take care of the entertainment. This motion was made by Rev. Jones and seconded by Jim Winston. Motion carried. Mair to set up the menu and negotiate with the caterer and present for a figure. Mair thought it would be nice to have a wine toast.

Music Comm: The Music Committee to arrange the entertainment for the Banquet. Several names were mentioned for the Gymanfa conductor. Lyn to discuss these with his committee. Lyn will supply a list of soloists etc. at the next meeting with approximation of fees. The final decision will be up to the N.G.G. Planning Committee. Lyn thought that an organist is all that is needed for the Gymanfa and the Church service and a pianist for the Noson Lawen. Lewis Edwards wanted it known that Lyn Harry accepted Music Chairman only as that and hopes he can still be in the running for conductor.

Gwyneth will write to the Minneapolis Gymanfa Ganu Committee to ask about our advertising in their program. Lewis will write to Obie Copley and Gwyneth to Jack Meadows to find out more about who the persons are who were at the first Gymanfa.

The date for the next meeting set for May 6th. We will meet at 12:00 noon for lunch. Place to be designated at later date.

Motion made by Gwyneth that the Treasurer give a check of \$25.00 to the Secretary for Petty Cash fund to take care of the mailings. Seconded by Mair Monkhouse. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted;

Dwyn Griffis
Dwyn Griffis, Secretary