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May 17, 1979

Dear Alice:

I was very sorry to hear about your daughter's illness and hope that it won't be too long now before she is back to full health and strength. It must have been a tremendous worry for you.

You will see that I have really "gone to it" with the minutes of the two Board Meetings. Perhaps you had mislaid the notes and list of members, etc. I had given you as they would have helped fill in a lot of the gaps.

In the Saturday afternoon minutes there is one item I have included but I am not 100% sure about it. I refer to my saying that a general report of the proceedings of the annual meeting could be sent to Ninnau, etc. and it being agreed that Donna Davies should do this. I leave it to you (and perhaps the Exec.) to try to remember for sure whether this formed part of that meeting.

Because of the time factor I am sending this draft of the minutes of the two Board Meetings to the President and the Secretary. I hope you will understand my concern that there should be further delay in their receiving at least draft minutes. I am, of course, telling them that these are not the definitive ones - the final form is entirely up to you.

Even though David and Jack will have draft copies now, perhaps you would be good enough to get final copies to the five Executive members as soon ever as you can retype the enclosed (after making any changes you feel have to be made). Incidentally, I do not wish any of my typing to go out to anyone, which again I am sure you will understand. When I say the "five" Exec., it is a reminder that Norman Williams is now on that Committee as well as the four Officers - and this year, as I chaired the 1978 meetings, I too should receive final copies at the same time as they do. You know, of course, that all the Trustees get their copies 30 days before the coming Labour Weekend - and also that you are required to have sufficient copies of the annual meeting minutes run off for that meeting.

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There is no need for you to send any of the "attachments" to anyone - they will have received the financial statements at the meetings in Minn. and the Secretary's report has never been circulated - just reported on and kept in the minute book. Also in the minute book you should have a good copy of the proposed Constitution as it was presented and before we started to make all the changes to it!

Certainly if I can help on the minutes of the annual meeting I will be glad to do so as soon as you get them to me.

Best wishes to you and especially to your daughter. I look forward to seeing you again at Niagara Falls.

Sincerely,

c.c. Dr. D. L. Mandry
 Mr. Jack Meadows

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Board of Trustees Meeting, WNGGA - Friday, September 1, 1978

The Board of Trustees of the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association met on Friday afternoon, September 1, 1978, at 2:00 P.M. at the Hotel Leamington, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Miss Eluned Thomas, National President, Presided.

The following Trustees were in attendance:

Miss Eluned M. Thomas, President
Dr. David L. Mandry, Vice-President
Mr. Jack Meadows, Secretary
Mr. David M. Edwards, Treasurer
Mr. Glyn Abraham
Miss Donna C. Davies
Mrs. Emmaline Davies
Mr. Lewis Edwards
Miss Elisabeth Griffith
Mr. Tal Griffiths
Mr. William G. Griffiths
Mr. Benjamin H. Haddock
Mr. Alwyn R. Isaac
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Dr. Kenneth O. Jones
Mrs. Mair Monkhouse
Mrs. Irene Pritchard
Miss Helen F. Richards
Mr. Owen C. Roberts
Dr. Islyn Thomas
Mr. Cyril L. Watkins

Mrs. Gwyneth Crysler, Co-Chairman, 1979 Committee
Miss Cynthia Jones, President, WAY

Mr. David E. Thomas) briefly to
Mr. Norman E. Williams) present reports

Mrs. Alice T. Deisroth, Recording Secretary

Dr. Kenneth Jones led in prayer. Deceased members, Mr. George Bundy, Colonel E. G. Thomas, Miss Mary Samuel and Miss Frances Williams were remembered for their years of faithful service given so generously to the Association.

The minutes of the meetings of the Board of Trustees held in Ottawa in 1977, which had been distributed to all members of the Board prior to the meeting, were upon motion of Miss Helen Richards, seconded by Mr. Cyril Watkins, accepted.

Mr. David Thomas, Chairman of the Minneapolis Committee for the 47th Annual Gymanfa Ganu was complimented by the President on the excellent written report which the Committee had prepared, outlining the steps taken in the organization of the entire event. Miss Thomas said this had never been done before, it was most appreciated, and would be of great assistance to future sponsoring committees. Miss Thomas said that we all owed a debt of gratitude for the work done by the Minneapolis Committee and remarked that there was a marvelous atmosphere around the hotel which would contribute greatly to the success of the Gymanfa. She felt that we were off to a very good start. The Board gave Mr. Thomas and his Committee a round of applause, and Mr. Thomas left the meeting.

Mr. David M. Edwards, National Treasurer, then read the complete financial statement of the WNGGA for the fiscal year ended July 31, 1978. A copy is attached to these minutes. Mr. Lewis Edwards moved, seconded by Rev. J. Humphreys Jones that the financial report be accepted. Motion carried.

The Trustees each had a copy of the Ottawa financial statement and Mr. Edwards asked about distributing it at the Annual Meeting. Mr. Edwards stated that Mr. Tal Griffiths and Dr. Don Mills, Co-Chairmen of the Ottawa Committee, would be in attendance later to report on the statement.

Mr. William G. Griffiths said he was deeply concerned about some of the items but that he realized that the expenses had been incurred and there was nothing we could do about it now but that he felt the National Association should come up with some guidelines for future Committees to be followed in regard to the kind of expenses to be incurred. Mr. Griffiths then moved that the President appoint a committee to prepare a set of guidelines for the guidance of future sponsoring committees. The motion was seconded by Dr. Islyn Thomas.

Mr. Lewis Edwards raised the question of the mechanics of such a restrictive recommendation.

Mr. Al Isaac raised the point that, since the Ottawa people were not present, we should perhaps wait action until they could present their side.

Mrs. Mair Monkhouse stated that we ought to avoid doing something which would require the Chairman of a sponsoring committee having to request permission from the National Executive Committee before incurring expenses. Miss Thomas replied that it had not been customary for sponsoring committees to consult with the National Executive Board.

The motion was then voted upon and carried with two opposing votes.

Rev. Humphreys Jones moved that the Committee report back to the Board next year. Mr. Al Isaac seconded. Carried unanimously.

Mr. David M. Edwards then requested instructions as to whether the report of the Ottawa Committee should be distributed at the Annual Meeting. Mr. Al Isaac moved, seconded by Mr. Jack Meadows, that the report not be distributed. Motion carried with three opposed.

Judge Elwyn V. Jenkins, Chairman of the Endowment Fund, was unable to be present and the financial report was given by Mr. David M. Edwards, Treasurer. Mrs. Irene Pritchard moved, seconded by Mr. Al Isaac, that the report be accepted. Carried.

Mr. Edwards moved that \$10,000 in the Endowment Fund be invested in bonds from the savings account; seconded by Mr. William G. Griffith. Mr. Jack Meadows asked that action on this motion be deferred until the Hymnal Fund was discussed later in the meeting. The motion was defeated with 10 opposed; 6 in favor.

The President reported that the Endowment Fund had received an anonymous gift of \$500 through the Bryn Seion Church in Beaver Creek, Oregon, a bequest from the will of Colonel E. G. Thomas of \$500 and also a gift of \$200 in memory of Dr. John Hughes from the Welsh Church in Montreal as it wound up its affairs.

Mr. William G. Griffiths moved that we express our warm appreciation to the donors and that a copy of the motion be sent to each. Seconded by Mr. Lewis Edwards. Motion carried.

The President reported that the Constitution Committee, with Mr. Norman Williams as Chairman, had done a tremendous job for the Association. They had held two meetings in Ottawa, had been in correspondence during the year, had mailed a copy of their recommended Revision to all the Trustees, and had met again the previous evening. She felt they had covered all points which had been raised in various meetings over recent years.

Mr. Norman Williams then presented his report. Members of the Constitution Committee were: Miss Donna C. Davies, Mrs. Emmaline Davies, Dr. Ellis J. Jones, Mr. Owen C. Roberts, and Dr. Islyn Thomas.

Mr. Williams expressed appreciation to Dr. Ellis Jones for running copies of the proposed Constitution so that it might be distributed at the Annual Meeting. A copy is attached to these minutes.

Mr. Williams asked that the following changes be made in the copies which the Trustees had in hand:

- Insert a new Article 7 - "Nominating Committees: At the first meeting following the Annual Meeting of the Association, the Board of Trustees shall elect a Nominating Committee comprised of at least three members whose duties shall be to prepare a slate of nominees for election to the Board of Trustees."
- By inserting this new Article 7, each succeeding number shall be advanced by one, i.e., the present Article 7 would become Article 8, and so on.
- Present Article &(d) - 3rd line - delete "if any"
- Present Article 10(b) to become (c) - and a new (b) to read: "Such an Assistant shall perform such duties as may be assigned by the Board of Trustees. However, such duties shall in no manner conflict with the power or duties of any Trustee or Officer, the Recording Secretary, or the Chairman of the Endowment Fund."
- Present Article 12(a) - at end of 2nd sentence add: "with the exception of the Nominating Committee"
- Present Article 12(d) - 2nd line - correct the name of the Association.
- Present Article 18(b) - 2nd line - correct the name of the Association.

Mr. Williams mentioned that all matters of concern which had been brought up at a recent Board and Annual Meetings had been covered by the Committee, and he drew particular attention to the following items in the proposed Constitution:

- split of 50/50 with sponsoring committee;
- election of the Chairman of the Endowment Fund by the Board of Trustees, rather than by appointment by the President, and that he should have a vote at Board meetings. His duties are also set forth.

- election of a Nominating Committee by the Board, rather than being appointed by the President.
- 3-year terms, rather than 2, for both the Secretary and Treasurer, with a possible second term at the will of the Board but that, after 5 years of service, the onus of their further reelection be placed on the general membership.
- A member-at-large from the Board to be added to the Executive Committee.
- An increase in dues - and they must be paid by July 31st to entitle the member to vote at the next Annual meeting.

Mr. Williams said that the Committee recommended that, for implementation of the present Article 7(a) and (c) and of Article 8(a), (f), (g) and (h), the past years of membership and of service be considered as of September 2, 1978. The Committee also recommended that the membership distribution by area, referred to in the present Article 7(e) be reviewed by the Board every three years to ensure that the representation of Trustees is still appropriate.

The President asked if the members of the Board had any questions and, as a result of the ensuing discussion, the following changes were made to the proposed Constitution:

- Article 4(d) - Change to: "A National Officer shall open the Sunday afternoon and evening sessions of the Gymanfa Ganu."
- Article 5(a) - Add in 3rd line - "from invitations received from eligible sponsors."
- Article 5(c) - 4th line - Change "approximately" to "no less than"
- Article 8(b) - 1st line - Change "can" to "shall"
- Article 8(c) - Delete the 2nd sentence.
- Article 8(d) - Add: "since the Association is incorporated in the State of Ohio."
- Article 8(e) - and (f) - to become one item - item (e) - with following items re-lettered in sequence.
- Article 9(a) - Delete: "who shall be a resident of the United States or Canada"
- Article 23(a) - Delete 2nd sentence.

Mr. William G. Griffiths moved that the Board recommend the adoption of the proposed constitution to the Annual Meeting. Dr. David Mandry seconded. Motion carried with Mr. Tal Griffiths and Mr. Lewis Edwards in opposition.

Dr. Mandry asked that Mr. Norman Williams and his Committee be given a standing vote of thanks for all their hard work. Mr. Williams then left the meeting.

The President reported that the Hymnal Committee, with Dr. Kenneth O. Jones as Chairman, had also worked exceedingly hard for the Association. They had met for two days in November in New York where Dr. Jones had kindly accommodated them. Shortly after that meeting, Miss Frances Williams had been taken ill and passed away on March 1st. She was sadly missed in many quarters and her loss to the Hymnal Committee was a great one as she was to have been the Editor. Dr. Jones had, however, persevered.

Dr. Kenneth Jones then presented the report of the Hymnal Committee, reiterating the said loss suffered in the death of Frances Williams.

Apart from the meetings in Ottawa last September and in New York in November, the work had been carried on by correspondence. He expressed sincere thanks for all the help and encouragement he had received, and expressed his appreciation to Mr. Jack Meadows for his work in helping to get out the letter of appeal for funds, and to Mr. David Edwards who, with the assistance of his wife, Chris, had faithfully acknowledge all contributions.

Dr. Jones said that the work of the Committee included deciding which hymns in the present book should be in the new book, considering all suggestions received, a search for new hymns, including youth hymns. A new cover would be required but the new hymn book would be spiral bound as it is a present. Folk songs would not be included in the new book.

As of August 31, 1978, \$6,096.74 had been contributed to the Hymnal Fund. Costs would have to be watched very carefully. Plates are available for the hymns in the present book; new plates would have to be made for all new hymns. As visualized at present, the new book would have 36 sheets (72 pages). The cost estimate thus far would be \$58.50 per page.

Dr. Jones said that the Committee members were: Mr. Lyn Harry, Mrs. Ann Davies Thomas, Mrs. Olwen Welk and Mr. Morris Wrench. They would meet again on Saturday afternoon.

Mr. William G. Griffiths moved that we express appreciation for the work done by Dr. Jones and his Committee, as well as to Mr. Jack Meadows, Mr. David Edwards, and others.

The President appealed to all members of the Board to contribute to the Hymnal Fund and to urge others also to do so.

Miss Helen Richards moved, seconded by Mr. William G. Griffiths that 15,000 hymnals be ordered with the additional pages as recommended by Dr. Jones, in accordance with the quotation received, and that the Committee proceed so that the new hymnal would be ready by the Jubilee Gymanfa in Niagara Falls. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Al Isaac moved, seconded by Mr. Tal Griffiths, that the Hymnal Committee along with the Executive Committee decide on the selling price of the new hymnal.

Motion carried with two opposed.

Miss Cynthia Jones, President of WNGGA, was asked to present her report. She reported that the \$500 given to WNGGA by the WNGGA last year had been used for the printing of the quarterly newsletter and for postage. \$342.47 had been spent,

leaving a balance of \$157.53. WAY Treasurer was not in Minneapolis so Miss Jones could not present a complete financial report. She expressed her deep appreciation to Mrs. Mair Monkhouse for her support of their efforts. WAY had 255 names on its mailing list. Miss Jones stated that the Minneapolis Committee had been very enthusiastic towards WAY and remarked that young people were needed to help make decisions.

In calling upon the Co-Chairmen of the Golden Jubilee Gymanfa to report, the President stated that, from the minutes of their meetings, the Executive Committee had been concerned about the expenses incurred. She had particularly requested that they watch travel expenses and had asked them to be fair but not generous. To her mind, they had been quite generous. Further, in the minutes it appeared as if all members of the Committee were to have their accommodations paid for, and the Executive Committee questioned the necessity of this action. She firmly believed that, as a Committee of the National Board, we should take especial care of the Association's funds. At the same time, she appreciated the different circumstances under which this Committee was operating.

Mrs. Gwyneth Crysler, Co-Chairman of the Golden Jubilee Committee, said that the mileage rate paid to Committee members had been reduced. She would appreciate the Board's further views on this matter. Accommodations for the Committee members would not be paid for, as indicated in the minutes, but complimentary rooms were to be provided by the hotel. It was agreed that discussion of expenses would be more fully covered at the Saturday Board meeting.

Mrs. Crysler said that it had sometimes been difficult for the full Committee to meet but that meetings had been held in November, February, May, and June, and that the Committee would meet again the following day.

Mr. Lewis Edwards, the other Co-Chairman, said he was trying to locate those people who had attended the first Gymanfa Ganu in Niagara Falls in 1929. Permission had been granted to erect a plaque on Goat Island and a professional designer would be asked to submit a design for the plaque. Lord Gordon Parry, Chairman of the Wales Tourist Board, had met with him at the Hilton Hotel and the Tourist Board will support an invitation to the Prince of Wales. It was hoped that the Prince would attend the Sunday services, and perhaps unveil the plaque. Lord Parry is a professional television producer.

The Committee plans to hold a banquet instead of a luncheon, and to provide gold pencils with the banquet programs. It was the concensus of the Board that no funds be provided by the Association for private parties.

Mr. Orwain Arwel Hughes had been suggested as a possible Director for the Jubilee Gymanfa. Mrs. Ann Davies Thomas has been named Honorary Conductor as she has contributed a great deal to the WNGGA over the years.

The President suggested that a report on the plans for the 1980 National Gymanfa Ganu in Vacouver could be deferred until the Saturday afternoon meeting.

The President then reported that the Nominating Committee was chaired by Mr. Richard Davies, with Miss Catherine Dodd and Mr. Glyn Abraham as members, and mentioned that the ballot sheet for the Annual Meeting would be similar to that used last year. She said the Minneapolis Committee had wanted to cordon off a section for non-members. Dr. Kenneth Jones moved, seconded by Dr. Mandry, that this not be done. Motion carried.

Mr. Jack Meadows, National Secretary, then reported that in July he had sent out 15,400 pieces of mail. He also stated that all hymnals now left are in Minneapolis. Registration at Ottawa had been 1,771 - 937 from the U.S. and 817 from Canada, and 17 from the U.K. Life members as of August 30th were 1,060 in the U.S., 96 in Canada, and 8 overseas, for a total of 1,164. The Secretary's report is attached to these minutes.

Mr. William G. Griffiths requested support of the Million Pound Fund Appeal for the benefit of the Welsh National Eisteddfod.

On motion of Miss Elisabeth Griffith, seconded by Dr. Islyn Thomas, the meeting was adjourned.

Alice Thomas Dewar
Recording Secretary

Davetha Mandy

*Dr. Mandy
pls sign*

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL SECRETARY - WELSH NATIONAL GYMANFA GANU ASSOCIATION

1977-1978 - Minneapolis

Traveled many miles, attending Gymanfas - to Cleveland, Pittsburgh,
Bob Evans Farm

First mailing - 1-11-78 for Rev. Kenneth Jones Hymnal Fund	3,700
First mailing for Minneapolis 1-21-78	3,700
Second mailing for " 3-30-78	4,000
National mailing - July	<u>4,000</u>
Total mailing	15,400

Regular hymnals to Minneapolis	500
Phonetic hymnals "	140

Received registration cards from Ottawa 2-26-78	423
Received 2nd group from Ottawa 3-22-78	<u>500</u>
Total	923

Total registration at Ottawa - 1,771: 937 from U.S.A., 817 from Canada; 17 U.K.

There were 23 states represented.

Approximately 2000 hymnals sold; last hymnals sold 8-14-78.

Life members of record 8-30-78: 1,060 U.S., 96 Canada; 8 overseas = 1,164

*Jack Meadows
secretary*

Jack Meadows, Secretary

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MAY-7TH 1979

The Board of Trustees of the Welsh National Gymanfa Ganu Association met on Saturday, September, 1978 at 2:30 p.m. at the Hotel Leamington, Minneapolis, Minnesota. Miss Eluned Thomas, National President, presided.

The following Trustees were in attendance:

Miss Eluned Thomas, President
Dr. David L. Mandry, Vice-President
Mr. Jack Meadows, Secretary
Mr. David M. Edwards, Treasurer
Mr. Glyn Abraham
Miss Donna C. Davies
Mrs. Emmaline Davies
Miss Elisabeth E. Griffith
Mr. Tal Griffiths
Mr. William G. Griffiths
Mr. Alwyn R. Isaac
Miss Elma V. Jones
Rev. J. Humphreys Jones
Rev. Neal Lloyd
Mrs. Irene Pritchard
Miss Helen F. Richards
Mr. Owen G. Roberts
Dr. Islyn Thomas
Mr. Cyril L. Watkins
Mr. E. Iorwerth Watkins
Mr. Norman E. Williams

Mrs. Gwyneth Crysler)
Mr. Lewis Edwards) Co-Chairmen, 1979 Committee

Mrs. Walter Flinchum, President, WWCA
Miss Cynthia Jones, President, WAY

Dr. Don Mills, Co-Chairman, OTTAWA Committee (to present report)

Mrs. Alice T. Deisroth, Recording Secretary

Miss Thomas welcomed the newly elected Trustees to the Board - Rev. Neal Lloyd of St. Paul, Minnesota; Mr. Norman Williams of Marcellus, N.Y.; Miss Elma V. Jones of Lake Crystal, Minnesota, and Mr. E. Iorwerth Watkins, of Windsor, Ontario, Canada.

Mrs. Gwyneth Crysler requested guidance in regard to traveling expenses for the 1979 Committee members. Mr. William G. Griffiths moved that 10¢ per mile be paid for auto traveling expenses. Seconded by Mr. Owen Roberts. After discussion and questions by several members of the Board, with Mrs. Crysler and Mr. Lewis Edwards answering the questions, the motion was carried.

Mrs. Crysler then requested an advance of \$500 towards the Golden Jubilee Gymanfa to be held in Niagara Falls. Mr. Jack Meadows moved, seconded by Dr. Islyn Thomas, that the money be advanced to the Golden Jubilee Committee. Motion carried unanimously.

The President welcomed Mrs. Walter Flinchum, President of the Women's Welsh Clubs of America to the meeting.

Mr. Glyn Abraham reported on the progress of the 1980 National Gymanfa Ganu to be held in Vancouver. He reported that an organizational plan with Chairman and a General Committee have been formed. All events will be held at the Hotel Vancouver, including the Gymanfa Ganu sessions. He had no information as to room costs. A number of meetings have been held and it is planned to use local talent as much as possible. Arrangements and other plans are progressing satisfactorily. Portland, Seattle, and Spokane have joined with Vancouver in promoting the 1980 National Gymanfa Ganu.

The President reported that Dr. Arturo Roberts, Editor-in-Chief of NINNAU suggested that he might send a sample issue of NINNAU to every member of the WNGGA. He would perhaps split the mailings into different months. Miss Donna Davies moved, seconded by Mr. William G. Griffiths, that we give Dr. Roberts labels addressed to all our members for this purpose. Motion carried.

The President reported that it had been suggested that we publish biographical sketches of some of our members. Mr. John O. Morgans of Detroit is a competent journalist who could do this for us. Mr. William G. Griffiths moved that we appoint Mr. John O. Morgans as our biographer; seconded by Miss Helen Richards. Motion carried.

The President stated that, while a detailed report of the Annual Meeting should not appear in NINNAU, or any other publication, it was in order to publish a general report mentioning, for example, the new hymnal project, the Golden Jubilee Gymanfa Ganu, the new Constitution; quoting the fees and date of July 31st as final payment date for eligibility to vote at the Annual Meeting. The same article could include the names of the new Officers and Trustees. It was agreed that someone from the Board should undertake this task, with the article to be approved by the Executive Committee before submission. Miss Donna Davies was asked to do this and accepted.

Mr. Tal Griffiths and Dr. Don Mills, Co-Chairmen of the Ottawa National Gymanfa Ganu gave a report on that event and there ensued considerable discussion on the financial statement, copy of which is attached to these minutes. Some of the problems stemmed from regulations of the Canadian Federal Secretary of State specifically excluding certain expenses for financial support. Funds provided by the Secretary of State to the Committee could be spent only as directed by the Canadian rules. The Ottawa grant did provide expenses for participants in the program, but no expense money could be used elsewhere in the organization. All unspent funds had to be returned to the Canadian Government. The Ottawa Committee turned over to the WNGGA the sum of \$1,114.56 representing 60 percent of the total amount realized by the Committee; the Ottawa Welsh Society realized \$743.04.

Mr. Norman Williams moved the discussion of the Ottawa National Gymanfa Ganu be closed. Seconded by Mr. William G. Griffiths. Motion carried.

The President reported that some months previously she and the Secretary had approached the Ethnic Heritage Division of the U. S. Government seeking a grant for the Association. From the information received as a result of this inquiry, and through the courtesy of Attorney Paul Stevens of Youngstown, it appears that

the WNGGA might qualify under the Folk Arts Program for a grant towards the Golden Jubilee Gymanfa Ganu, since the Association itself is arranging that event. In other years sponsoring committees might consider applying for a grant. While the 1979 information booklet was not as yet available, it would appear that we would need to submit a narrative and budget before November 15, 1978, and a formal application for the grant before January 1, 1979.

The President also mentioned that our Hymnal Fund might possibly be eligible for a Challenge Grant from the same source.

Mr. William G. Griffiths said he felt that we should explore the possibility of obtaining such grants from the U. S. Government's Ethnic Heritage Division, and all agreed that this should be done. Miss Thomas said she would pass all the material to the new President immediately in view of the time factor.

Mr. David M. Edwards said he would also check in the Cleveland area to see what funds were available for private groups. It was possible that Mr. Bill Greenway might also have information on such grants.

In regard to the new Constitution, the President suggested that especial mention of the new requirements for voting at the Annual Meeting be made in the publicity letter which goes out to the membership and possibly in other letters sent out by the Golden Jubilee Committee. She suggested this should also be included in any advertising done during the year.

The next order of business was the election of Officers.

President - Miss Donna C. Davies nominated Dr. David Mandry as President; seconded by Mr. Al Isaac. Mr. William G. Griffiths moved that the nominations be closed. The Secretary was asked to cast a unanimous ballot for Dr. Mandry as President.

Vice-President - Mrs. Emmaline Davies nominated Rev. J. Humphrey Jones; seconded by Miss Helen Richards. Mr. Tal Griffiths moved that the nominations be closed; seconded by Mr. E. I. Watkins. The Secretary cast a unanimous ballot for Rev. Humphrey Jones as Vice-President.

Secretary - Mr. Jack Meadows was nominated by Mr. Al Isaac; seconded by Mr. Owen Roberts. Mr. William G. Griffiths moved that the nominations be closed; seconded by Dr. Islyn Thomas. Mr. Meadows was unanimously reelected to serve as Secretary.

Treasurer - Mr. David M. Edwards was nominated by Mr. William G. Griffiths, seconded by Dr. Islyn Thomas. Mr. Norman Williams moved that the nominations be closed; seconded by Mr. Tal Griffiths. Mr. Edwards was unanimously reelected Treasurer.

Dr. David Mandry then took over from Miss Eluned Thomas, retiring President.

A discussion then ensued regarding the necessity of having an Assistant Secretary because of the heavy workload of the Secretary. Mr. Norman Williams recommended that an Assistant Secretary be added. Mr. Jack Meadows mentioned that Mr. Nelson Llewellyn had offered to help the Secretary if required. Miss Eluned Thomas

moved that Mr. Nelson Llewellyn be elected; seconded by Mrs. Irene Pritchard. Motion carried.

Assistant Treasurer - Miss Eluned Thomas said that Miss Catherine Dodd had indicated that she would be willing to serve as Assistant Treasurer. Mr. Owen Roberts moved, seconded by Miss Eluned Thomas, that Miss Catherine Dodd be elected as Assistant Treasurer. Motion carried.

Recording Secretary - Miss Eluned Thomas nominated Mrs. Alice T. Deisroth, seconded by Mr. Jack Meadows. Mr. William Griffiths moved that the nominations be closed; seconded by Dr. Thomas. Mrs. Deisroth was unanimously reelected to serve as Recording Secretary.

The next officer to be elected was a member-at-large on the Executive Committee. Miss Helen Richards nominated Miss Eluned Thomas to serve; seconded by Mrs. Emmaline Davies. Since Miss Thomas had just completed four years on the Executive Committee, she declined with thanks.

Mr. William G. Griffiths nominated Mr. Norman Williams to serve as member-at-large on the Executive Committee; seconded by Mr. David Edwards. Mrs. Emmaline Davies moved that the nominations be closed; seconded by Miss Helen Richards. Motion carried. Mr. Norman Williams was unanimously elected to serve in this capacity. - Can Williams - serve as TRSTE - also as member at large? Article IX - I

Endowment Fund Chairman - Mr. Jack Meadows nominated Attorney Paul Stevens; seconded by Mr. Norman Williams. Dr. Islyn Thomas moved that the nominations be closed; seconded by Miss Donna Davies. Attorney Stevens was unanimously elected to serve as Endowment Fund Chairman.

Nominating Committee - Mr. Glyn Abraham nominated by Mr. Richard Davies to serve as Chairman of the Nominating Committee; seconded by Mr. Owen Roberts. Miss Thomas moved that the nominations be closed; seconded by Mr. Abraham. Motion carried. Mr. Richard Davies was unanimously elected to serve as Chairman of the Nominating Committee.

Nominating Committee Members - Mr. Al Isaac was nominated by Mr. David Edwards; seconded by Miss Eluned Thomas. Miss Elma Jones was nominated by Mr. Owen Roberts; seconded by Mrs. Emmaline Davies. Mrs. Emmaline Davies moved that the nominations be closed; seconded by Miss Eluned Thomas. Motion carried. Mr. Al Isaac and Miss Elma Jones were unanimously elected to serve as members of the Nominating Committee.

WAY Liaison - Mr. William G. Griffiths nominated Dr. Islyn Thomas to serve as liaison between WAY and the National Board; seconded by Mr. Al Isaac. Mr. Norman Williams moved that the nominations be closed; seconded by Miss Eluned Thomas. Dr. Thomas was unanimously elected to serve in this capacity.

A discussion then ensued as to whether or not WAY could continue without additional support. Dr. Islyn Thomas moved that the Board give WAY a \$500 grant to continue its work; seconded by Mr. Glyn Abraham. Mr. Jack Meadows moved that the motion be tabled for one year; seconded by Mr. David Edwards. 5 year votes for tabling the nomination; 10 votes against tabling the motion. The motion to table was defeated.

The original motion to give WAY \$500 was then discussed. Mr. Norman Williams asked if the Board's representative to WAY could work with the officers of WAY to get a financial report from them and find out just what money they had in their Treasury. Mrs. Emmaline Davies observed that Dr. Thomas ought to have access to the funds and supervise the expenditure of those funds. Miss Eluned Thomas said she was very surprised that the WAY President did not know how many members are on the rolls of WAY.

Dr. Mandry stated that we would have to decide the basis issue of whether we will give WAY a definite amount. The motion was amended by that the \$500 be held up until the liaison representative to WAY had a chance to check with the WAY group; seconded by Mr. Al Isaac. Motion carried unanimously.

The original motion to appropriate \$500 for WAY was then voted upon. There were 5 votes in favor; 10 opposed. The original motion was defeated. The amendment stands.

Mr. Tal Griffiths moved that the \$500 grant be released into the custody of Dr. Islyn Thomas, and at such time as Dr. Thomas feels that the funds will be properly used, he can release them to WAY. Mr. Al Isaac seconded the motion. It carried unanimously.

Dr. Islyn Thomas said that he looked forward to working with WAY. He thought the young people should be encouraged to take an interest in their Welsh heritage. In this connection, he suggested that it might be an idea to arrange an essay competition. However, Miss Elisabeth Griffith reminded the Board of the experience of the Bi-Centennial Gymanfa Committee when only three young people had submitted essays. Dr. Thomas said he would continue to think of ideas to gain the interest of the young people.

Miss Eluned Thomas moved that the President be authorized to look after our advertising to the extent of \$250 to be spend during the year on advertising in the Welsh publications of his choice. Mr. Owen Roberts seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Tal Griffith moved that we take out a \$25 membership in Y Cymry ar Wasgar. Miss Helen Richards seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Islyn Thomas moved that the Board give \$100 to NINNAU; seconded by Mrs. Irene Pritchard. Carried unanimously.

The 1981 GYMANFA GANU was discussed. No invitation has been forthcoming.

The subject was then brought up of an Endowment Fund scholarship. Dr. Islyn Thomas stated that the St. David's Society of the State of New York is offering a scholarship of \$1,000 and a second one for \$500 for a music scholarship to a student with a Welsh background.

Mr. Owen Roberts mentioned the new Welsh Language course. Mrs. Ann Cowie of Baltimore is working on this. No action was taken.

Mr. Al Isaac suggested that the Board should meet earlier than Friday. This matter will be taken under advisement.

Dr. Islyn Thomas, author of Our Welsh Heritage, presented copies of his book to Miss Eluned Thomas, Mrs. Marion Flinchum, and Miss Cynthia Jones.

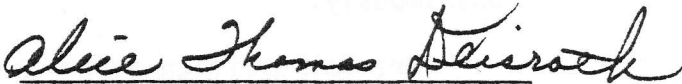
Mr. William G. Griffiths proposed that the Board of Trustees extend to Miss Eluned Thomas most sincere thanks for the wonderful work she had done in the last two years. Miss Thomas was given a standing vote of thanks. Miss Thomas congratulated Dr. David Mandry and thanked the members of the Board of Trustees for their support.

Dr. Islyn Thomas said that the WNGGA ought to have an Honorary President during this Jubilee year who could serve at many functions as our representative. Dr. Thomas then nominated Mr. William G. Griffiths as Honorary President for the coming year. Mr. Tal Griffiths seconded the nomination. Miss Helen Richards nominated Miss Eluned Thomas as Honorary President. Miss Elisabeth Griffith seconded. Miss Thomas said that, as Immediate Past President, she would decline the nomination. Mr. William G. Griffiths was elected and thanked the Board for having given him this honor.

Mr. Jack Meadows brought up the question of the mailing list. Mr. David Edwards moved that we send mail to life and annual members only. Mr. Cyril Watkins seconded. The vote was 1 in favor; 14 opposed. Motion was defeated.

Miss Donna Davies suggested that, with the first mailing from the WNGGA, a statement be inserted which states that "this is the final notice that you will receive from our organization; your name will be removed from our mailing list unless we hear from you within two months." This statement would be sent only to non-members on the mailing list. This was made into a motion by Miss Davies and was seconded by Mr. William G. Griffiths. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Tal Griffiths moved that we adjourn; seconded by Miss Donna Davies. Motion carried.


Recording Secretary

WELSH NATIONAL GYMANFA GANU

REPORT OF SECRETARY

1977----1978 - *Wales*

TRAVELED MANY MILES, ATTENDING GYMANFA'S, YO, CLEVE, PITTS, COL, BOB EVANS FARM.

FIRST MAILING 1-11-78.FOR REV.K JONES HYMNAL FUND.	3700	} TOTAL MAILED 15,000
FIRST MAILING FOR MINN 1-21-78	3700	
SECOND MAILING " " 3-30-78	4000	
NATIONAL MAILING JULY	4000	
REGULAR HYMNALS TO MINN	500	
PHONETICS " " "	140	

RECIEVED REG CARDS FROM OTTAWA 2-26-78	423	} 923
RECIEVED 2nd GROUP " " 3-22-78	500	
TOTAL REG, FROM OTTAWA 1771, 937 FROM U.S.A. 817 FROM CANADA 17 FROM U.K.		

THERE WERE 23 STATES REPRESENTED.

COMMENT ON TIME TAKEN TO RECIEVE REG LIST??

APPROX 2000 HYMNALS SOLD, LAST HYMNALS SOLD 8-14-78.

LIFE MEMBERS AS OF THIS DATE 8-30-78 1060, U.S. 96, CANADA, 8, OVERSEAS*** 1164.

Minneapolis

Sat. Sept 2nd 1978
2:30 PM.

Agenda for Saturday afternoon's meeting of the Board of Trustees

Opening Prayer

Welcome new Trustees

Business carried forward from Friday's meeting of the Board
or from Saturday morning's Annual Meeting

- Election of President - *Dr. Mandy -*
- " Vice-President *Rev H Jones -*
- " Secretary *Jack Meadows - 3 yrs term.*
- " Treasurer *J Edwards - 3 yrs term*
- " Assistant Secretary ? *Nelson Jewelllyn*
- " Assistant Treasurer ? *Coch Dood -*
- " Recording Secretary *Alice Jesroth*
- " Member-at-Large of the Executive Committee (see Article 11 (a))
Norm Williams -
- " Chairman of the Endowment Fund (see Article 18 (a))
Paul Stevens
- 1979 Plans *Chairman of Norm Plonka. Jack Davies - a Isaac. Elm Jones -*
W.A.Y. Jenson - officer - none - R.F. Thomas -
- 1980 Plans
- 1981 et seq. . . . ?
- Publication and Distribution of new Constitution
- Fundraising for new Hymnal ✓
- Publicity in "Ninnau" and "Y Drych" re new hymnal - *\$250:00*
- Possible donation to "Ninnau" *\$100:00 donation.*
- Ratify renewal of membership in "Y Cymry ar Wasgar" *\$250:00 ord*
- Resolution re Bank signatories
adds. \$250:00