

Meeting of the Executive Board held November 3, 1965,
at the Perdues', Fairfax, Va.

1. The meeting was called to order at 8:45 p.m. by Pres. Chuck Perdue. Linda Brennan, Jon Eberhart, and Joe Hickerson were not present.

2. The minutes were approved.

3. Reports.

a) Mailing list: The weeding of the mailing list was described (see attached). The mailing list has about 802 names on it as of now.

b) Treasury: As of 10/31/65, the treasury has \$474.15 in the bank + \$46.59, petty cash.

The October Open Sing grossed \$22.00, \$13.00 admissions + \$9.00 memberships. The church rental was \$15.00. See item 8.

c) Special Events: i) Folk Sampler Concert. A concert for and by members has been set up for 11/27/65. One of the main reasons for the concert is the "cancellation fee" of \$22.50 which would be charged by the City of Rockville if the Society should cancel its reservation of the auditorium. Formal approval was sought for this concert, informal approval having been obtained earlier. Also, on 11/17/65 at 9:30 a.m. George Simpson is going to look over the auditorium and asks if anyone else would like to go along. It was moved that a Folk Sampler Concert be held in Rockville on 11/27/65. Passed.

ii) Open Sing in December? After some discussion, the consensus of the Board was that there should be none.

iii) A Square Dance. It was reported that the Society has a semi-commitment (to the musicians, * I think--Sec'y) to put on this event. Nothing definite was presented.

iv) Letters have been sent to the local universities asking that they send information about their folk lore, folk song events to George Simpson. This information will assist him in setting dates for Society events.

* to the allemande-
letters.

3. Reports (continued)
d) Publicity:

On the budget. It was decided that a publicity budget of 25.00 per month per "folk year" would be OK. The treasurer asked that the \$25.00 amount be approved for the purpose of experimentation. This amount does not include newsletter preparation and/or mailing costs and does not include the cost of publicity for Special Events.

The amount of \$50.00 was formally approved for publicity of 11/27/65. the event.

Of note. Playtime magazine called John Dildine to say that they are willing to run a story (with picture) on the December program.

4. International Folk Festival. In cooperation with the D. C. Recreation Department, the Society has undertaken to present two short (15 minute) programs of folk songs at this "festival" which is part of the Pageant for Peace held during the Christmas season in Washington. *See minutes of 12/1/65.*

5. The Folk Music Program. This radio program is going off the air due to a change in the policy of the station, WASH-FM. John Dildine proposed that the Society take a hand in the re-incarnation of the F.M.P. on another local station. Many interesting plans were set forth, and other items discussed (grants, foundations). The proposal was greeted favorably.

6. Admission rates were criticized. It was suggested that the admission fee for members to the 11/27/65 event be dropped to \$.75. This suggestion was not greeted with enthusiasm. As of now, the newsletter has gone out saying that the admission fee for members to this event will be \$1.00. It was too late to lower the fee.

7. Who is to take admissions? Under particular discussion were the Open Sings. The person responsible for moderating the is to get someone to take the money at the door.

8. Etc. Letters were distributed. a) Taylor Vrooman of Colonial Williamsburg was asking for Anglo-American Songs with foreign counterparts; b) two checks to pay for memberships for John Legerwood and John Langstaff. These two last were forwarded by Carol Lee.

Union Methodist Episcopal Church. Rev. Robson was present in the building at the October Open Sing, and tentatively offered to let the Society use the church basement for free. However, as that probably would commit the Society to perform for church activities (as the GW Univ. Folk Music Club trades performing for the meeting-place) the matter is to be allowed to drop.

The meeting adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

June Scherman
Secretary