

3. Reports. (continued)

More b.

The event would break even financially or even attract huge crowds at this place. A 2 general admission was suggested. The date July 9 was suggested. The plaque for Pham Duy was shown.

c. Membership/9 renewals (out of 50 delinquents) was the figure reported. Telephoning the un-renewed was suggested.

d. Publications/A ream or two of stationery was present for distribution. The brochure was at the printer's. The emblem. The Ford Museum never replied to a letter requesting permission to use the emblem agreed upon. It was suggested that the Society adopt this emblem (see minutes of 12-1-65, item 4c.) and assume their tacit approval. Jon Eberhart volunteered to contact some "Ford wheels" here in Washington for definite approval. In the meantime, it was suggested that we use it. Discussion turned to posters - and, item 4, halls.

e. September picnic and camp-out. Reservations.

The park ranger described the way applications are awarded, and it seems that the more people that can be listed the better the application's chances as the park people operate on the basis of what group has the most people coming and how long they're going to stay. Therefore, more people must sign up. More promotion of the event must be done. The application and deposit are due on June 5. Other facilities (campsites) are available without reservations for individual campers with their own equipment apparently, and likewise for picnickers. A schedule of charges for the camp-out -- for registered reserved people and day, non-camping people -- is needed. There's also a problem with the Fairfax F.D. Ladies Auxiliary. The park is not in their territory and they can't handle the mass dining; they referred us to the Lake Jackson F.D. Auxiliary.

4. Will the WGL Auditorium hold the crowd attending the Buddy Moss program? This hall will hold 199 people, and no more. Other suggestions made were Erinity Church and Gallaudet College.

5. Honorary member proposed. Jon Eberhart sought Board approval of an honorary membership for Mr. Stewart Udall, Secretary of the Interior. Objections arose immediately. The feeling that

5. (continued) the first honorary membership(s) should go to a major contributor or contributors to folklore studies was expressed. Names were mentioned*. The feeling that Mr. Udall had (potentially) benefited Woodie Guthrie enormously and folk-music also was expressed. Eventually this question was put as a motion, with no stipulations as to term of membership: Jon Eberhart moved that we give Sec'y of the Interior Udall an honorary membership in the Society ... because of the fact that he recognized and honored Woodie Guthrie (see item 3g, last time, April 6). Vote: 5 pro, 3 con. Motion DEFEATED (unanimous Board approval required by the By-laws). At this point George Simpson moved that we send a letter to express the Society's approval of and appreciation of his (Udall's) recognition of Woodie Guthrie, and, in addition, include in the letter an offer to put him on the mailing list for the newsletter ... A suggestion that we give a family membership (not an honorary membership) away to Mr. Udall was made but withdrawn. Motion PASSED!

6. A conservation and outdoor songs collection might be recorded in conjunction with the Dept. of the Interior. No enthusiasm was shown.

7. *Shall we* "sponsor" or be a "contributing patron" to the NE. Regional Ballet Festival as a Society in response to a letter from D.C. Rec. Dept.? No enthusiasm was shown.

8. The two evenings of the "Folk Festival of All Nations" the Society representatives will be John Jackson and *the Perdues* (May 13) and Helen & Sol Schneyer (May 14). *and group.*

9. The sings were mentioned. It was moved that we don't have open sings over the summer until October. One opinion was that we should have them but not if they continue to irritate people like the last one. Motion passed, no sings this summer.

10. Etcetera. There will be a Florida Folk Festival on May 5, 6, and 7 at the place where the Stephen Foster Memorial is. The Philadelphia Folk Festival is the Weekend of Sept. 11. And some other events and places and records and occurrences were mentioned.

Meeting adjourned: about 11:00 p.m.

*June Scherman
Secretary*

*Mae Korson, George Korson, Sterling Brown, B.A. Botkin. A. Lomax. Frank Proffitt, Horton Barker, Hobart Smith.