FOLKLORE SOCIETY OF GREATER WASHINGTON

Minutes of Executive Board Meeting

Wednesday, March 12, 1975

Board Members present: Pat Chambers, Mary Cliff, Bill Destler, Jonathan Eberhart, Rich Galloway, Nan Goland, Lars Hanslin, Debbie Hutton, Don Nichols. Also present: Dolores Gauthier, Ann Levin, Wally MacNow, Dave Olive, Mike Rivers, Phil Saunders.

Board Members absent: Caroline Arlington, Helen Schneyer, Andy Wallace.

The meeting was called to order at 8:10 p.m. by the Vice President, Debbie Hutton. The Minutes of the February 11 meeting were approved as read.

MEMBERSHIP: Don Nichols

\$120 in memberships was collected at the Gordon Bok concert. Debbie Hutton suggested that records be as up-to-date as possible in time for the election mailing.

SPECIAL EVENTS: Bill Destler

The Howie Bursen house concert and the Gordon Bok concert were both quite successful. The dancing class is doing very well -- 38 people have signed up for it. A Barbara Carns house concert has been set for April 25 at the Straders' -- she will be at the Berwyn Cafe on the 26th. The next Open Sing is the weekend of the Getaway, but Nan Goland said the Ethical Society will have it anyway.

TREASURER: Rich Galloway

February Income: Membership \$ 497.50 (still behind budget)

Program 20.30

Special Events 712.00 (dancing)

Getaway 1,379.50

Rich will have a complete report next month. Nan Goland said that FSGW is behind in its payments to the Ethical Society. Rich said that this would be corrected. Jonathan Eberhart moved that we pay regular bills on a monthly basis. The motion was seconded and carried.

PROGRAM: Jonathan Eberhart

Fields Ward and Duane Thorpe will be featured at the March Program. The Central Park Sheiks will be featured in April. Jonathan is working on other possibilities. It was suggested that a notice be placed in the Newsletter that programs will start on time.

PUBLICATIONS: Nan Goland

There was a problem with the bulk rate portion of the February Newsletter mailing because the annual fee hadn't been paid. Arlene Rodenbeck has some old Journals which she would like removed from her apartment. Mary Cliff volunteered some space in her attic. The deadline for April's Newsletter is March 20.

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PUBLICITY: Caroline Arlington

Caroline has resigned her position and Phil Saunders has volunteered to take it over. A meeting will be held at NFFA March 13 to discuss publicity. Wally MacNow suggested that free passes might be sent to media representatives for FSGW events.

GETAWAY: Dave Olive, Linda Ford

Linda reported by telephone that approximately 96 people have registered so far. We are still awaiting word from Bob Zentz' group. Dave reported that the workshop schedule is reasonably fixed and that he hopes to have some craft workshops.

OLD BUSINESS:

Rich Galloway reported that the Nominating Committee has come up with a slate which, along with nominations taken from the floor at the March Program, will be published in the Newsletter. The Nominating Committee is responsible for obtaining statements from the nominees and sending out ballots after the April meeting; ballots will be counted at the May Program. Jonathan asked what we do about people who don't receive their ballots through the mail. Lars Hanslin moved that two people from the Nominating Committee be appointed to decide at the May Program whether or not those people should be given ballots. The motion was seconded and carried.

Dave Olive will contact Allen Jabbour about acting as liaison for traditional music in the area.

NEW BUSINESS:

Ann Levin, representing Parkmont School, gave us some background material on the school and a presentation on their plans to have a folk fair on April 26 (rain date, the 27th), which they would like us to co-sponsor, with complete control over music. After Ms. Levin gave her presentation and left, the pros and cons were discussed and it was agreed that, as we already had a number of activities planned for April, we could not co-sponsor the event but that we would run a notice in the Newsletter and that Debbie Hutton would contact Ms. Levin and give her some suggestions.

Mike Rivers, who has offered to help with music for the Northern Virginia Folk Festival, said that they are seeking a contribution from FSGW. Last year we gave \$50 and he suggested that around \$200 be given this year, with the proviso that it be given to performers who normally get paid. Bill Destler moved that we give \$100 as support for payment to traditional musicians at the Northern Virginia Folk Festival. Jonathan moved that the motion be amended by removing the amount of money. The amendment to the motion was carried. The motion failed.

Dick Rodgers will have a publicity table at the Clancy Brothers concert. Debbie and Bruce Hutton will oversee the one at the Arlo Guthrie - Pete Seeger concert.

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Wally MacNow said he would like to see the dancing program continued on an open basis. The general consensus was that this should be considered at a later date.

Nan Goland said that a teacher at Montgomery College is interested in inviting us to have a mini-festival at their Takoma Park campus in late January or early February of next year. Don Nichols moved that we authorize Nan to explore the possibilities further. The motion was seconded and carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.