

FOLKLORE SOCIETY OF GREATER WASHINGTON

Minutes of Executive Board Meeting

Thursday, June 2, 1977

Board Members Present: Mary Cliff, Bill Destler, Jonathan Eberhart, Mia Gardiner, Nan Goland, Al Kehs, Dolores Nichols.

Others Present: Debbie Hutton, Linda Lieberman, Nancy Schatz, Riki Schneyer, Jesse Cohen, *Rich Galloway, Don Nichols*

Board Members Absent: Ears Hanslin, Martin Holmer, Wally Macnow, Tom McHenry, David Olive, Helen Schneyer.

The meeting was called to order at 8:15 by President Bill Destler. The minutes were accepted as written.

Membership Dolores Nichols-17 renewals, 4 new, 25 expirations for a May balance of -4. Renewal notices have been sent out. The mail from the P.O. not in count. A new membership form was passed around for comments.

Treasurer Bill called Rob Gorden re NEA Grant, for the fourth time, to ask about the delay. Grant is now supposed to arrive by June 3rd. Grant starts as of Feb. '77 even though it has not yet been received.

Publicity Nan Goland-Fliers made for Jody Stecher and Hank Bradley concert.

Publications- Al Kehs- Newsletter is under budget because of being 4 pages, rather than the 6 that were budgeted for. Suggestion was made that a check list (of essential information to be listed in each newsletter) be made by next editor.

Special Events Jonathan Eberhart-Annual picnic on June 25th all set. We have not heard from Rosalie Sorrells and Utah Phillips yet. Nov. 6th. is the requested date. Jean Redpath will be in town Oct. 20-Nov. 10th. We may not be able to schedule a concert for her, as the get-away is the last weekend in Oct. and we may have a Nov. 6th. concert. If we can't work something out, she can at least perform at the Red Fox. Open Sing to be led by Tom McHenry. There will be no open sing in July. Glen Echo plans are coming along well. Libba Cotton is to be added to the schedule. The newsletter schedule is not totally accurate. Final schedule will be available at the festival. More people needed for working at the membership tables and on publicity.

Program- The Huttons will bring the sound equipment to the June program (Jody Stecher and Hank Bradley) and Bill will run it.

Old Business: The current volunteer list is very outdated. New tape from Saxabone has not been picked up yet by Nan and she would like to turn that responsibility back to the board. Mary will pick up 36 reels this month. All of the FSGW old files and tapes are now in Mary Cliff's basement. Al gave key to NCTA office to Mia. Jeff Deichman works on Thursday nights, and will be unable to be on board if the monthly meeting is on Thursdays. Problem of which night to meet is with us again! The secretary will call board members for

meeting night preferences and decision will be made at July meeting. Suggestions for the new membership flier : Add to list of activities 'workshops, special children's events and weekly dances.' Other information to be added is the availability of 10% discount at selected stores.

New Business: It is the feeling of the Board that the Saturday Dances at Sidwell Friends School be resumed. Two will be held in the Fall, Sept. and Oct. January Min-festival date can be set up at the same time as the dance dates. Bill will call Park Service at the Prince William State Forest to request dates for get-away at Area #4. First choice of dates is Oct. 21, 22, 23. Second choice is Oct. 14, 15, 16. Bill will consider being get-away chairman. Publicity needs help to counteract the decline in membership. Suggestions included article in Unicorn, small press (ie: Globe, Sentinel and other weeklies) *publicity,* and a broader scope of performers (ie: Red Clay Ramblers, Jim Ringer).

Meeting adjourned at 9:50.