

FOLKLORE SOCIETY OF GREATER WASHINGTON
Minutes of Executive Board Meeting
Wednesday, January 7, 1981

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Mary Cliff, Nan Goland, Lars Hanslin, Kathy Hickerson, Bob Hitchcock, Claudia Kravets, Dolores Nichols, Dave Olive, Nancy Schatz, Susan Schwelling

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT: Bob Clayton

OTHERS PRESENT: Jonathan Eberhart, Linda Lieberman, Miriam Maxwell, Don Nichols, Mike Rivers

The meeting was called to order by Lars Hanslin. The minutes were approved.

MEMBERSHIP - Dolores Nichols: For December we have 28 new members, 31 renewals and 91 expirations, with a net loss of 32 for the month and a total of 1225 paid members.

PROGRAM - Kathy Hickerson: The Gospel Jubilators took in \$79. We paid them \$500. The Jan program will be Barry O'Neill, Feb., Cranberry Lake (half concert, half Dance), March, Paddy Tunney, April, Roy Harris, and May is still open. Aritage, a French Canadian group that does dancing as well as music was suggested.

SPECIAL EVENTS - Mary Cliff: Lou Killen took in \$366. After paying him \$350 and expenses we lost about \$40. The Christmas party was fun, took in \$121 and made about \$20. The successful Metro Sing was covered on TV. There was publicity expense for a sign. The sampler concert took in \$162 - with the only expense \$60 for the hall. Guy and Candy Carawan may be coming Feb. 7 for a house concert. March looks slow. Nick Plakias, a versatile performer from Western Mass., would like to do a house concert. Steve and Kathy Krise have volunteered their house for March 21. Battlefield Band would like to come in April (Easter weekend - Sat. April 18) for \$350. Ed Sweeney (guitar-banjo) wants to do a house concert in April. Kathy Fink has suggested Patsy Montana backed up by Rhythm Ranch for April 24, 25, or 26. Mike Cooney will be in Bermuda May 3. Tanahill Weavers would like to come Memorial Day weekend. Cyril Tawney may be in the country this summer. There is the possibility of a house concert with Andean performers.

PUBLICATIONS - Nancy Schatz: Deadline for the next newsletter is Jan. 15. Mia is doing it. The newsletter deadline must be the final date for confirming events. The editor must be kept informed of material that is coming to go in. Motion passed that any event not confirmed by newsletter deadline will not be included in the newsletter.

TREASURER - Nan Goland: Dec. income \$1344, expense \$2150, doesn't include the take from the Christmas party.

PUBLICITY - Claudia Kravets: The Metro Sing was covered by Channel 9. Mini Festival PSA's and press releases have gone out. Photos and specific schedules still needed for publicity. Elaine Wilson has arranged to have the Mini Festival mentioned on Good Morning Washington; Jan 23. The Luke Smathers String

Band will be here Fri., Jan. 23 and may be available for publicity. Claudia will push to get spot news coverage on the day of the festival.

DANCE - Dave Olive: There will be a family dance on March 7 with Steve Hickman and the Boston Buzz Steps. There will be no Mardi Gras party because it is not possible to confirm plans by the newsletter deadline. On April 4 there will be a family dance with Bib Dalsemer.

OLD BUSINESS: Joe Hickerson will chair the by-laws committee. Dave Olive and Don Nichols will be members. We must have a vote on the election by-law change at the next program. Lars will supervise it.

Plans are proceeding for the Mini Festival. Some advance tickets have been sold. Volunteers are still needed. *Lars had not yet appointed a chair*

NEW BUSINESS: Lars will appoint a nominating committee. Retiring Board members can be on it. Mary reported that she was not elected to the WHAACO Executive Board. There will be a meeting tomorrow to discuss management of and final plans for the performance space (club type room for jazz and folk) under the Mezzanine. They have raised \$250,000 which will enable them to get a matching grant. WFF is putting together chair people. The first meeting will be on Jan. 20. at Dwaine's house.

The next Board meeting will be at Nancy Schatz's on Feb. 4. The March meeting will be at Kathy's.