

FOLKLORE SOCIETY OF GREATER WASHINGTON
Executive Board Meeting - Feb. 2, 1983

BOARD PRESENT: Cliff, Hutton, Hickerson, Olive, Woods, Winters, McCracken, Turner, Day, Nichols.

BOARD ABSENT: Shapire, Fink, Fitterer

OTHERS PRESENT: Linda Lieberman, Gail McHenry, Rick and Loraine Balhizer, Dolores Nichols.

The meeting was called to order at 8:20 p.m. by the President at the home of Dave Olive.

The minutes were approved as read. Moved by Hutton; seconded by Hickerson.

MEMBERSHIP: 143 new + 82 renew = 225 - 171 = +54 =s 1877 total.

TREASURER: The treasurer presented the quarterly report which is attached to the minutes. His recommendation was that to maintain as budgeted, Special Events needs to make more money.

NEWSLETTER: This next month's deadline has to be moved up to the 11th. The Kroytype machine is in drydock. Visual Systems will fix it under the guarantee without charge. It needs a foam-lined wooden case. Winters will make it. Nichols moved to reimburse Winters for costs involved in making this case. Woods 2nd. PASSED.

PROGRAM: No report.

DANCE: Dance Weekend has 5 registrations so far. 3000 flyer/registration brochures were printed but it was not enough. The tentative schedule of the program was passed out. The Board thought it was very good.

LIBBA COTTON BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION: Sold Out, could have filled the hall again. We made a profit of about \$510. We needed reserved seats. We need a cooperative letter with the Smithsonian when we do events with them. We also need a checklist which Mary and Joanne will do.

OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS: David Morris house concert of 30-40 people. We need to know the amount of money taken in even though the performers get it all. Tom McHenry is producing the sampler concert on March 19. Bob Walser will give a house concert April 16. A non-FSGW concert by FSGW members will be held April 22 at the Ethical Soc. Double Decker and Rock Creek will perform. The Christmas party report is attached. Board thought it successful and thanked those who produced it. the Folk Archive benefit on March 4 is selling tickets. So far we have sold 49 tickets @ \$10 and 20 @ \$7. We must sell about 264 tickets to break even.

PR: doing OK. Their major project is to call each institution and get current information. Debbie Hutton said that Richard Harrington of the Post will do an article on WFF later in the spring.

MENIFEST: No report. We need an instrument check room next year. The upstairs hall costs \$250/ evening.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: They have started their work.

WFF: no report

OLD BUSINESS: Winters reminded us that we should follow up on the actions that came out of the Committee of the Whole meeting and get them done by June. Signing: Hutton moved "that we pay Bob Haun for the September program signing. Woods 2nd. PASSED. Winters moved to extend through June 30, 1983, the direction of our experiment for the deaf with interpreters at appropriate events and with budget restrictions as previously passed in October. Woods 2nd. PASSED. Signing at the Folk Archive Benefit was discussed. Some feel that the signer is distracting. The logistics of where on stage the signer is is important. It was felt that it is inconsistent not to have a signer at this program. Hutton moved that the Board recommend to the committee that if the logistics can be worked out and the approval obtained from the major performers, that interpretive signing be provided. Winters 2nd. PASSED. The sense of the motion is that if either of the major performers objects to their performance being signed, then the concert will not be signed.

GET-A-WAY: A report on arrangements for next fall's get-a-way was given by Gail McHenry. The Board was pleased with the very good report and accepted it. The committee is to continue with the arrangements.

NEW BUSINESS: Hutton told about the sale of WHFS and its proposed new scheduling. Hickerson moved that we send a letter to the station with carbons to the station stating our hope that the new management will maintain programming by ethnic and folk performers. Nichols 2nd. PASSED. The leader of the Kyhmer Classical Ballet was killed in an auto accident.

Winters moved that Mia be asked to draft a letter for signature by the President to the ballet expressing our condolences. Woods 2nd. PASSED. Meeting Adjourned.

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