

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
HELD AT 33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH, ON
SATURDAY, 14TH MAY, 1977, AT 2 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr. D. Macleod (in the Chair)
Mr. J. Taylor, Dr. I.M. Hall, Mr. W.J. Ireland, Miss D. Leurs,
Dr. A. MacFadyen, Miss L.C. Martin, Miss J.F. Reid, Miss F.M. Gordon,
Mr. J. Hair, Mrs. A.J. Young, Mrs. H.G. Parker, Mr. A.I.K. Baird,
Mrs. J. Bain, Miss A.C. Lee, Dr. E.J. Forbes, Mr. D. Gray,
Mrs. A. Murphy, Mrs. M. Robertson, Mrs. A. Wass, Mrs. J.O. Thomson,
Miss E.M.C. Ferguson, Mr. J.D.L. Gregor, Miss D.H. Nicoll,
Miss M. Clark, Miss A.W. Miller, Mrs. H. Lisk, Mr. J.B. Keddie,
Mr. R.A.B. McLaren, Miss F. MacCormick, Mrs. W.J. Wadsworth,
Miss D.A. Paterson, Mr. H. van Zon, Mr. J.E. Cunningham,
Mrs. F.C. Inglis, Mrs. Linklater-Shirras, Miss A. Allan,
Miss N. J. Arnott, Mrs. J. Hamilton, Mrs. E. Stoddart,
Gp. Capt. J.D.S. Huxley, Mr. G.B. Walker, Mr. J. Laurie,
Miss A. MacDonald, Mr. J. Clifford, Miss E. Shaw, Mr. J.C. Douglas,
Miss I. Mundie, Miss B.A. Nairn, Miss M. Collie, Mrs. J. Balfour,
Mr. A.G. Lee, Miss M. Grieve, Mr. J. Scahill, Miss I. Redford,
Mrs. M. Ball, Mr. T.G. Leggat, Miss M. Duffield, Miss H. Gardiner-
Jones, Mr. A. Greenyer, Mrs. J. Dawson

ATTENDING: Miss M.M. Gibson (Secretary), Mrs. M.G. Hall (Asst. Secretary)
Miss D.M. Vaughan (Treasurer)

EC77/1 APOLOGIES

Miss Milligan, Dr. Currie, Mr. Barnes, Miss Bowie, Miss Galway,
Miss Mackenzie, Miss Quirk, Miss F. Martin

EC77/2 MINUTES

With the addition of Miss F. M. Gordon's name to those present,
the Minutes were approved.

EC77/3 BUSINESS ARISING

- (a) EC76/23(a) Despatch of Bulletins: The Chairman said that Securicor was more expensive than the GPO and Road Transport. It was more rapid than road transport and would be used for delivery of books and Bulletins to the very large Branches.
- (b) EC76/23(c) Cuts in Local Authority spending. Conditions varied so much from one authority to another that the General Purposes Committee considered that Branches should take up the matter of accommodation costs, etc. with their own local authority and that Headquarters would give any backing necessary.
- (c) EC76/27(a) Western Australia Constitution. Council noted that the Branch had accepted the amendments suggested and that the Constitution was now in order.
- (d) EC76/31(a) Celebration of H.M. The Queen's Silver Jubilee. The General Purposes Committee had decided that it was now too late to consider the matter as H.M. The Queen's programme was already fully committed.

(a) Finance Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 5th February, 1977

Council noted - the availability of Christmas Cards and Notelets, the amendments to prices of publications from 1st July, the increased discount to Branches from 1st July, the availability of Miss Milligan's Miscellany Vol. I and the increase in examination fees from 1st July.

Council approved the recommendation that two scholarships be offered annually from 1978 onwards to students between the ages of 18 and 25 who wished to attend Summer School with a view to taking their Preliminary Test or Teacher's Certificate. It was noted that full details would be contained in the Bulletin later this year and approval was given for the project to be known as the "Jean Milligan" Scholarships.

Mr. Baird asked what the position was regarding the Headquarters feu. The Treasurer confirmed that it had been purchased.

Seconded by Miss Paterson, Mr. Gregor moved acceptance of the Minutes which were unanimously approved.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 7th May, 1977

F77/17(a) It was noted that the music library now comprised 43 records and 2 cassettes and the Chairman said that 47 Branches had participated in the scheme so far.

F77/17(c) The Executive Council authorised the reversion to an affiliated group of Deep River Branch and the retention of the present funds for the use of the Group in promoting Scottish Country Dancing in the area.

F77/19 - Film. Council unanimously decided that one copy of the film "Mr. Menuhin's Welcome to Blair Castle" should be purchased at a cost of £300. The question of hiring/lending to Branches was left to the next meeting.

F77/20. Council noted that it was not considered feasible to stock Branch publications at Headquarters. Branches could, however, forward their publications lists to Headquarters where they would be used to give advice and information to enquirers.

F77/18(d) Mr. Macleod, referring to this Minute, said he had not necessarily meant a separate 'bank' account. On Mrs. Parker's motion it was unanimously agreed to remit this item back to the Finance Committee.

On Miss Allan's motion, seconded by Mr. Van Zon, the Minutes (with the remit back of item F77/18(d)) were approved.

(b) General Purposes Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 5th February, 1977

GP77/8: Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mrs. Parker, moved that Council approve the General Purpose Committee's recommendation to set up an ad hoc committee to consider a small National Executive Council with Branches meeting in regional areas.

Mrs. Wadsworth, seconded by Mrs. Linklater-Shirras moved the direct negative.

The motion was defeated by 31 votes to 24.

Miss Gordon, seconded by Miss Nairn, moved the acceptance of the Minutes which were approved by Council with the exception of the recommendation regarding the ad hoc Committee.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 7th May, 1977

GP77/25. Mrs. Ball, seconded by Mr. Scahill, moved that the appointment of the various sub-committees be effected by postal vote.

In favour of a postal vote 3
Against a postal vote..... Overwhelming majority
Abstainers 5

On Mrs. Thomson's motion, seconded by Miss Arnott, the Executive Council unanimously approved the Minutes.

(c) Publications and Research Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 15th January, 1977

Council noted that the Record for Book 28 was now available and that Book 28 was printed; while "Four Step Dances" would not be republished in its present form, it was hoped to have "Flora MacDonald's Fancy" and the "Earl of Erroll" in leaflet form at Summer School.

PR77/13. Council gave approval to a leaflet for the 1978 subscription publication. Mr. Gregor, seconded by Mrs. Murphy, moved that the choice of dances (traditional or non-traditional) be left to the Publications Committee. This was agreed.

The Minutes were unanimously approved on a motion by Dr. MacFadyen seconded by Miss Reid.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 19th February, 1977

Dr. Forbes, seconded by Mrs. Hamilton, moved acceptance of the Minutes which Council approved unanimously.

(d) Examinations Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 19th February, 1977.

The Executive Council gave approval to the proposed changes in the Syllabus for Examinations, as proposed in Minute EX77/4.

The Minutes were unanimously approved on a motion by Miss Arnott, seconded by Mr. Van Zon.

(e) Summer School Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 27th November, 1976

The Minutes were unanimously approved on a motion by Miss Redford seconded by Mrs. Inglis.

(a) Subscriptions

Mr. Taylor, seconded by Mrs. Wadsworth, moved that the following motion should go on to the Agenda for the next Annual General Meeting:

"That with effect from 1st July, 1978, the Annual Subscription be raised from 60p to £1.00, the subscription being divided in the proportion of 60 per cent to be retained by the Branch and 40 per cent to be forwarded to Headquarters.

"Where a Branch starts its financial year prior to, or later than, 1st July, the increased subscription will be operative from the start of the Branch financial year in 1978."

Mrs. Parker moved the direct negative.

The motion was CARRIED by 44 votes to 14 with 1 abstention.

(b) Elected Members

Mr. Taylor, on behalf of the Finance Committee, and seconded by Mrs. Parker, moved that the Constitution and Rules of the Society be amended as follows (the effect being to abolish the appointment of elected members)

"VI Executive Council - (1) Membership

Delete sub-para (b) and insert:

"The Executive Council shall consist of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman elected annually by the Society in General Meeting, and one representative from each Branch of the Society. The Immediate Past Chairman shall be a member ex officio of the Executive Council for one year after demitting office."

Delete sub-para (d) and renumber (e) and (f) as (d) and (e) respectively.

Sub-para (d) (as renumbered) - After "Chairman" in line 6 delete "," and insert 'and'. Delete "and six members annually appointed".

Sub-para (e) (as renumbered) - In line 1 after "Chairman" delete "," insert "and". After "Vice Chairman" delete "and six members".

Mr. Ireland moved the Direct Negative and was supported by Mr. McLaren.

Council DECIDED by 43 votes to 14 with 3 abstentions, that the motion should be included in the Agenda of the Annual General Meeting.

EC77/6 PROCEDURE FOR ELECTIONS OF OFFICE BEARERS AND SIX ELECTED MEMBERS

Seconded by Mr. J. Laurie, Mr. Ireland moved, and it was unanimously decided, that the number of votes cast for all candidates in elections at the Annual General Meeting should be made known and minuted.

Mr. Ireland drew Council's attention to the Constitution (VII,9) which stated that decisions were to be made by a majority of those voting which in effect demanded that those elected to office must have at least one more than half the number of persons voting, a system which might on occasion involve a second vote. On Mr. Ireland's motion, seconded by Mr. Laurie, it was unanimously agreed that the Constitution should not be altered.

EC77/7 APPLICATIONS FOR BRANCH FORMATION

- (a) Puget Sound Branch, Washington, USA)
- (b) Leicestershire Branch, England) Approved
- (c) South East Queensland Branch, Australia) unanimously

Council noted that the St. Andrew's Society of Denmark had not proceeded with Branch formation authorised by Council.

EC77/8 APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION

- (a) Polycarp International Folklore, Denmark)
- (b) Ceilidh Country Dancers, Fort Worth, Texas)
- (c) Fergus Scottish Country Dance Club, Ontario)
- (d) New Smyrna Beach S.C. Dance Group, Florida) Approved
- (e) Union Church Reel Club, Hong Kong)
- (f) Glossop S.C. Dancers, Derbyshire) unanimously
- (g) Tacoma Scottish Country Dancers, Washington State)
- (h) St. Andrews & St. Marks S.C.D. Group, Salisbury)
- (i) Wallasey S.C. Dance Group, Merseyside)
- (j) Stornoway Group)

EC77/9 AMALGAMATION

Council approved the amalgamation of Roxburgh and Selkirk Branch and Peebles Branch as Roxburgh, Selkirk and Peebles Branch.

EC77/10 CONSTITUTIONS

- (a) Council unanimously approved the Glasgow Branch Constitution
- (b) Council approved the amendments to Melbourne Branch Constitution
- (c) Council noted that Calgary Branch had agreed to suggested amendments and that the Constitution was now in order.
- (d) The Constitution of Kitchener/Waterloo Branch was not approved as Council noted that it was at variance with the Society Constitution as regards the age for membership.

EC77/11 OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) The Chairman intimated that Mr. Eoin Hamilton of the Light Entertainment Division of the BBC hoped to present a pilot programme for Radio Scotland, its main purpose being coverage of the Arts and Entertainment in Scotland. A feature would be a "What's On" Diary and he would appreciate advance publicity of any outstanding events which may be organised. His address was Light Entertainment, BBC, Queen Margaret Drive, Glasgow, G12 8DG.
- (b) Mr. Leggat asked what the limit now was for public liability insurance. Miss Vaughan said she would raise this with the Insurance Company and bring the matter up at a Finance Committee meeting.
- (c) Mr. Greenyer asked if HQ members were still being encouraged to join Branches. Miss Gibson confirmed that this was so but that it was still a member's prerogative to choose whether to join a Branch or be a Headquarters member.

EC77/12 NEXT MEETING

Saturday, 13th August, 1977, at St. Andrews

Duncan MacLeod

CHAIRMAN

ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL,
AT UNIVERSITY HALL, ST. ANDREWS, ON
SATURDAY, 13TH AUGUST, 1977, AT 2.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr. D. Macleod (Chairman), Dr. J.C. Milligan, Dr. L.R. Currie,
Mr. J. Taylor, Mr. W. Ireland, Dr. A. MacFadyen, Miss J.F. Reid, Miss F.M. Gordon,
Mrs. J. Docherty, Mrs. M.G. Parker, Mrs. D.I. Johnstone, Mr. S. Morrison,
Mr. A. Boyd, Miss F.I. Galway, Miss A.C. Lee, Mrs. E. Murray-Lenthall, Mr. D. Gray,
Mrs. A. Murphy, Mrs. Campbell, Mrs. A. Wase, Mrs. J.O. Thomson, Mr. T. Leslie,
Mr. J.D.L. Gregor, Miss D.H. Nicoll, Miss M. Clark, Miss M. Rae, Mrs. H. Lisk,
Mr. R.A.B. McLaren, Miss M. Ross, Mrs. W.J. Wadsworth, Mrs. Linklater-Shirras,
Miss A. Allan, Miss N.J. Arnott, Mrs. J. Hamilton, Mrs. E. Stoddart,
Gp. Capt. J.D.S. Huxley, Mr. G.B. Walter, Mr. P. Littlemore, Miss R. Marlow,
Mrs. Sandilands, Mrs. K. Conley, Mrs. S. Peake, Mr. G. Berryman, Miss M.
Clavering, Miss E. Oldham, Mr. J.C. Douglas, Miss D. Simons, Mrs. F. Sharp,
Miss I. Mundie, Miss B.A. Nairn, Mrs. J. Balfour, Mrs. M.C. Gudger, Miss M.
Grieve, Mr. J. Scahill, Miss I. Redford, Mr. T.G. Leggat, Miss J.C.G. Bowie,
Miss F. Martin, Miss M.Y.K. Cunningham, Miss H. Gardiner Jones, Mr. A.S.
Greenyer, Mr. M. Brown *and DA. Paterson*

ATTENDING: Miss M.M. Gibson (Secretary), Mrs. M.G. Hall (Cashier) Miss D.M. Vaughan
(Treasurer)

EC77/13 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman read messages from H.M. The Queen, Patron of the Society, acknowledging the gift of Book 28 and its accompanying record and thanking the Society for the good wishes sent on the occasion of her Silver Jubilee.

Mr. Macleod invited Mr. McLaren, Chairman of Edinburgh Branch, to say a few words with reference to The Queen's official visit to Edinburgh on the occasion of her Silver Jubilee.

The Chairman also said that he was delighted to see Dr. Currie at the Executive Council meeting once again and hoped that his health would continue to improve.

EC77/14 APOLOGIES

Mrs. Ball, Mrs. Bain, Miss Collie, Dr. Forbes, Miss Fergusoh, Mrs. Gilroy, Dr. Hall, Mrs. Inglis, Mr. Laurie, Mr. Lee, Miss Leurs, Miss Martin, Mrs. Young, Miss MacCormick.

EC77/15 MINUTES

With the addition of Miss M. M. Ross's name to the apologies for absence, the Minutes of the Meeting on 14th May, 1977 were approved.

EC77/16 BUSINESS ARISING

EC77/4(a)(ii) - The Finance Committee had recommended that the Menuhin film should be offered to Branches on loan. Birmingham Branch had intimated that they were in favour of a hire charge. After some discussion Gp. Capt. Huxley, seconded by Dr. Currie, recommended that the film be sent out on loan to Branches (home and overseas), the Branches paying postage both ways. In the case of overseas Branches the film would be sent airmail to prevent its being unavailable too long in transit. If the existing insurance did not cover the film Branches would also be required to pay for insurance.

Gp. Capt. Huxley asked if the Society had a copy of "Scotland Dances" and it was agreed to look into the matter and if the film was being withdrawn to consider the possibility of acquiring a copy.

EC77/17 MINUTES OF SUB COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(a) Publications and Research Committee

The Minutes of the Meeting on 11th June, 1977 were approved.

(b) General Purposes Committee

The Minutes of the Meeting on 30th July were approved. At the request of Edinburgh Branch, the Chairman made it clear that Edinburgh Branch had not offered to be hosts for the A.G.M. in 1979 (2/3 Nov) but were prepared to act as such.

(c) Finance Committee

The Minutes of the Meeting on 30th July 1977 were approved.

The Treasurer spoke to the Balance Sheet as at 30th June, 1977, and relative accounts which had been supplied to members at the meeting; she said that the accounts showed that the Society was suffering from inflation like everyone else.

Mr. Taylor said that the profit was small this year and he was concerned about next year. He felt that the recommended division of subscription next year (60% to Branches and 40% to Headquarters) was insufficient and he would like to see the split down the middle (50% to each) as it is at present, and he hoped that a Branch would put forward an amendment to alter the motion going forward to the Annual General Meeting.

(d) Examinations Committee

The Minutes of the Meeting on 12th August, 1977, were read out by the Chairman. The Examinations Committee had recommended the following alterations to the qualifications and conditions for entry to a Preliminary Test Class:

"Candidates must be at least 20 years of age, should have attended a Scottish Country Dance Class for at least two years, and have attained a reasonably high standard of personal performance. They must also have been members of the Society for a minimum of two years. (Exception is made in the case of Teacher Training Colleges)"

As the new conditions were at variance with Paragraph 2 of Rule V in the Constitution and Rules, it was decided that the amendment should remain on the table until it could go forward to the Annual General Meeting in 1978.

The Minutes of the Examinations Committee Meeting were approved.

EC77/18 APPLICATION FOR BRANCH FORMATION

Approval was given for the formation of a Branch in the Farnham area but it was decided that the applicant should be asked to select another name as the one suggested "The Three Counties" was not acceptable to Council.

Mr. Ireland felt that London Branch should have been approached on this matter and it was agreed that in future if an applicant had not made contact with the nearest Branch, Headquarters would make contact if it was considered necessary.

EC77/19 APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION

The following applications were approved unanimously:

- (a) The High-Landers, quito
- (b) St. Thomas S.C. Dance Group, Ontario
- (c) Queen City S.C. Dancers, Regina
- (d) Ruthin S.C. Dance Society
- (e) Nelson S.C. Dance Club, N.Z.
- (f) Huntingdon & Dist Caledonian Society's Reel Club.

EC77/20 CONSTITUTION

Amendments to the Airdrie and Coatbridge Branch Constitution were approved; approval was also given to the change of name to Monklands Branch.

EC77/21 OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Douglas referred to item GP77/36 of the General Purposes Meeting regarding Annual General Meetings and asked if there was any possibility that the Executive Council would approve an A.G.M. being held in Newcastle upon Tyne. The matter was remitted for discussion at the November Council meeting to give representatives an opportunity of discussing it within their Branches.

EC77/22 NEXT MEETING

19th November at 33 Melville Street, Edinburgh, at 2 p.m.

Chairman: Deanna MacLeod
 Secy: _____
 19th Nov. 1977.

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PRESENT: Mr D Macleod (in the Chair)
Dr Milligan, Mr J Taylor, Miss M Anderson, Miss D Leurs,
Dr A MacFadyen, Miss F M Gordon, Miss J Galloway
Mrs J Bain, Mr H Barnes, Miss F Galway, Mr P N Edwards
Miss A C Lee, Dr E J Forbes, Mr D Gray, Mrs A McDougall
Mrs B Wass, Mrs J O Thomson, Mr T Leslie, Mrs E Ferguson
Mr J D L Gregor, Mrs P Bowman, Miss M Clark, Miss W Miller
Mrs H Lisk, Mrs E Gilroy, Mr R A B McLaren, Miss F MacCormick
Miss M Ross, Mrs C P Wadsworth, Miss D A Paterson
Mr J E Cunningham, Mrs F C Inglis, Mrs Linklater-Shirras
Miss D Allan, Miss N J Arnott, Mrs J Hamilton, Mrs E Stoddart
Group Capt. J D S Huxley, Mr J Laurie, Mrs J Sandilands
Mr J Clifford, Miss E N Shaw, Mrs J Docherty, Mr J C Douglas
Mr W Clement, Miss I Mundie, Mrs J C Balfour, Mr A G Lee
Mrs M C Gudger, Mr J Scahill, Miss I Rodford, Mrs M Ball
Mr W A Gray, Miss J C G Bowie, Miss F Martin
Miss M Y K Cunningham, Mr A Greenyer, Mr M L Brown

ATTENDING: Miss M M Gibson (Secretary), Mrs H G Hall (Cashier)
Miss D M Vaughan (Treasurer)

EC77/23 APOLOGIES

Earl of Mansfield, Mr Aitkonhead (Elected Member), Mr Baird
(N W Ayrshire), Dr Hall (Manchester), Mr Ireland (Elected Member),
Mrs Young (Annan), Miss Collic (Peterhead), Mrs Howat (Roxburgh,
Sol Kirk and Peebles), Miss Gardiner-Jones (Wolverhampton),
Miss Hollingworth (Leeds), Mr Van Zon (The Hague)

EC77/24 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting on 13 August were unanimously approved
with the following amendments:

- (a) Miss D A Paterson's name was added to those present.
- (b) EC77/16: After "both ways" in line 6 add: "and this was agreed".

EC77/25 BUSINESS ARISING

- (a) EC77/16 "Scotland Dances" - The meeting noted that the film was
still available for hire. Dr Milligan was of the opinion that
one copy of the film was owned by the Society and the Secretary
was asked to make a search in old files of correspondence for
confirmation.
- (b) EC77/21 - Venues for A G M. After some discussion an over-
whelming majority voted for Annual General Meetings to remain
in Scotland.

EC77/26 MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEE MEETING

Finance Committee Meeting of 22 October, 1977

- (a) Mrs Wadsworth raised the matter of the resolution at the Annual
General Meeting regarding membership subscription and pointed
out that at the Finance Committee Meeting of 5 February the
Committee had unanimously agreed that the ratio of an increased
subscription should be 60% to Branches and 40% to Headquarters
and that the Finance Convener himself had moved the motion to
this effect at the Executive Council Meeting of 14 May. She
took exception to the fact that the Finance Convener, having
previously supported the 60/40 split, spoke in favour of the
50/50 split at the Annual General Meeting. Mrs Wadsworth, who
had moved the resolution at the A G M, and Miss Paterson, her
secondor, felt they should have been more fully informed of
Mr Taylor's intentions.

Mr /

Mr Taylor explained that timing had a great deal to do with the matter. In February, the annual accounts were not available to him - as they were at the Finance Committee Meeting on 30 July. After studying the draft accounts prepared for that meeting he became aware of the need for action to correct the Society's cash-flow difficulties. He had felt it his duty to protect the Society and had intimated his concern - and his desire now to see a 50/50 split - at the Executive Council Meeting on 13 August, some three months before the A.G.M.

After further discussion the matter was dropped and the meeting continued with business on the Agenda.

- (b) Mr Douglas asked if he could have some explanation of the decision contained in Minute F77/51 (b) in which the Finance Committee had withheld permission from Newcastle upon Tyne Branch to record dances already recorded on the Society's own LPs. It was felt generally that permission could not be withheld and after some discussion, on a motion by Mr Laurie, seconded by Mrs Linklater-Shirras, the Meeting unanimously decided not to accept Minute F77/51(b).
- (c) The Chairman referred to Minute F77/46 and said the portrait of Dr Milligan in her academic robes was now on display at Headquarters and invited representatives to visit Headquarters before leaving Edinburgh.
- (d) He also drew attention to Minute F77/50 (Queen's Jubilee Appeal Fund) and said that he had made the suggestion at the A.G.M. that Branches might care to send, say, £1 to Headquarters so that a donation might be sent as from the Society to the Fund.

Miss Galway, seconded by Mr Laurie, moved that the Minutes, with the exception of F77/51(b) be accepted and this was unanimously agreed.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 1977/78.

(a) Finance Committee

Dr J C Milligan (Vice-President), Mr D Macleod (Chairman), Mr J Taylor (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mr A I K Baird (Ayrshire North West)
- Miss F I Galway (Belfast)
- Gp Capt D S Huxley (Leamington Spa)
- Miss A W Miller (Duns)
- Mrs M G Parker (Ayr)
- Miss D A Paterson (Glasgow)
- Miss M M Ross (Forres)

Mr J Taylor was duly elected Convener

(b) General Purposes Committee

Dr J C Milligan (Vice-President), Mr D Macleod (Chairman and Convener), Mr J Taylor (Vice-Chairman and Finance Convener), and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss J G Bowie (Stirlingshire)
- Miss M Y K Cunningham (West Lothian)
- Mr J C Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne)
- Miss F M Gordon (Aberdeen)
- Mr J D L Gregor (Dunbartonshire West)
- Mr W A Gray (South Wales)
- Miss D Lours (Edinburgh)
- Miss F Martin (East Stirlingshire)
- Miss B A Nairn (Perth and Perthshire)
- Mrs J O Thomson (Clackmannanshire)

(c) /

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(c) Examinations Committee

Dr J C Milligan (Vice-President), Mr D Macleod (Chairman)
Mr J Taylor (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who
were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

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| Miss M H Anderson | (Elected Member) |
| Miss N J Arnott | (Kirkcaldy) |
| Mr D A Gray | (Bournemouth) |
| Mr W J Ireland | (Elected Member) |
| Mrs C P Wadsworth | (Gatehouse of Fleet) |

Dr Milligan was duly elected Convener.

(d) Publications and Research Committee

Dr J C Milligan (Vice-President), Mr D Macleod (Chairman),
Mr J Taylor (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who
were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

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| Miss M Clark | (Dunfermline) |
| Mrs M C Gudger | (Rochdale) |
| Mrs J Hamilton | (Kirkcudbright) |
| Dr A MacFadyen | (Elected Member) |
| Mr W Clements | (Northern Virginia) |

Dr Milligan was duly elected Convener.

(e) Summer School Committee

Dr J C Milligan (Vice-President, Director of Summer School and
Convener), Mr D Macleod (Chairman), Mr J Taylor (Vice-Chairman)
and the following members who were elected having been duly
proposed and seconded:

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| Mr A S Aitkenhead | (Elected Member) |
| Mr H Barnes | (Boiford) |
| Mrs F C Inglis | (Hereford) |
| Mr T Leslie | (Croydon) |

EC77/28 TIMETABLE FOR MEETINGS (1978 unless otherwise stated)

Dates and times for Committee Meetings were decided as follows:

- (a) Executive Council : At 2 p.m.
13 May (Edinburgh) - 19 August (St Andrews) -
18 November (Edinburgh)
- (b) Finance Committee : At 2.00 p.m.
28 January (Edinburgh) 29 April (Edinburgh) -
5 August (St Andrews) - 21 October (Edinburgh)
- (c) General Purposes Committee : At 11.00 a.m.
28 January (Edinburgh) - 29 April (Edinburgh) -
5 August (St Andrews)
- (d) Examinations Committee : At 11.00 a.m.
13 May (Edinburgh) A further meeting would be held on
18 August at St Andrews if proved necessary.
- (e) Publications and Research Committee : At 11.00 a.m.
24 November (Edinburgh at 6 p.m.) - 14 January (Edinburgh)
and thereafter as required.
- (f) Summer School Committee :
19 November 1977, at Edinburgh, immediately after
Executive Council Meeting.
- (g) Annual General Meeting
4 November, in Glasgow at 2.30 p.m.

77/29 CONSTITUTIONS

- (a) Kitchener-Waterloo Branch - approved
- (b) Berks/Hants/Surrey Border Branch - approved (name and Constitution)
- (c) Teachers' Association (Canada) - amendment approved

77/30 APPLICATIONS FOR GROUP AFFILIATION

The following applications for affiliation were approved unanimously:

- (a) Stockholm Caledonian Dance Circle, Sweden
- (b) Carswella Scottish Country Dancers, Devon
- (c) Missoula Scottish Country Dancing Group, Montana, USA
- (d) Canberra Hospital Scottish Country Dance Club, Australia
- (e) Halifax/Dartmouth Scottish Country Dance Group, Nova Scotia
- (f) Alverstoke Scottish Country Dancing Group, Hants
- (g) Truro Scottish Country Dance Group, Cornwall

The application for affiliation from the Thistle Group in Dumfries was carried forward to the next meeting. Mrs Gudger, seconded by Mr Clements, proposed that the Chairman and Vice Chairman should visit Dumfries to talk to both the Group and the Dumfries Branch and to report back.

77/31 APPLICATIONS FOR BRANCH FORMATION

The following applications for Branch formation were approved unanimously:

- (a) Regina Scottish Country Dance Group, Saskatchewan, Canada
- (b) Canberra Branch, A.C.T., Australia

77/32 OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Standards The Chairman said some of our members are becoming worried about standards. He read a letter from a member regarding new and contrived dances at the expense of our own traditional dances; she had also commented on the deterioration of the standard of dancing. He had received other letters also and asked members as Branch representatives to encourage their Branches to uphold the standards and traditions of the Society.
- (b) Publications Mr Gray (Bournemouth) suggested that instructions in the Society's books should be printed in larger type. The Chairman said this suggestion would be remitted to the Publications Committee.
- (c) Membership Miss Galway said she felt that some members were not being kept in touch with the Society. The Chairman said this was a matter for Branch Secretaries and asked representatives to ensure that their Branches kept members in touch.
- (d) AGM Mr McLaren suggested that the Executive Council should consider the question of the A.G.M. He felt it was not suitable to have members divided into different halls. He suggested that a small sub-committee be appointed to look into the whole question of cost and location of the AGM Weekend so that some definite pattern could be brought out from it and Branches advised on the best way to hold it and how it could be best financed. He thought a fee might be charged for delegates. The Chairman said the matter would be considered.

The meeting closed at 4.30 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Duncan MacLeod

13th May, 1978

- (a) Kilted - Ladies Branch - approved
- (b) Kilted - Ladies Branch - approved (name not confirmed)
- (c) Teachers' Association - amendment approved

APPLICATIONS FOR GROUP AFFILIATION

The following applications for affiliation were approved:

- (a) Scottish Gaelic Dance Group, Glasgow
- (b) Scottish Gaelic Dance Group, Glasgow
- (c) Scottish Gaelic Dance Group, Glasgow
- (d) Scottish Gaelic Dance Group, Glasgow
- (e) Scottish Gaelic Dance Group, Glasgow
- (f) Scottish Gaelic Dance Group, Glasgow
- (g) Scottish Gaelic Dance Group, Glasgow
- (h) Scottish Gaelic Dance Group, Glasgow
- (i) Scottish Gaelic Dance Group, Glasgow
- (j) Scottish Gaelic Dance Group, Glasgow

The application for affiliation from the Ladies Branch in Glasgow was carried forward to the next meeting. The Chairman proposed that the Chairman and Vice Chairman should visit Glasgow to talk to both the Group and the Ladies Branch and to report back.

APPLICATIONS FOR BRANCH FORMATION

The following applications for branch formation were approved:

- (a) Ladies Branch, Glasgow
- (b) Ladies Branch, Glasgow

RESOLUTIONS

- (a) Branches The Chairman said some of our members are becoming worried about statistics. He read a letter from a member reporting how and effectively things at the expense of our own traditional dances. He had also commented on the deterioration of the standard of dancing. He had received other letters and had asked members to make representative to encourage their branches to apply the statistics and conditions of the Society.
- (b) Applications Mr. Gray (Chairman) suggested that instructions in the Society's books should be printed in larger type. The Chairman said this suggestion would be referred to the Publications Committee.
- (c) Members Miss Dalrymple said she felt that some members were not being kept in touch with the Society. The Chairman said this was a matter for Branch Secretaries and local representatives to ensure that their branches kept members in touch.
- (d) Branches Mr. Nelson suggested that the Executive Council should consider the question of the A.C.T. He felt it was not realistic to have branches divided into different halls. He suggested that a small sub-committee be appointed to look into the whole question of cost and location of the A.C.T. He said that some definite progress would be made out from it and branches should be the best way to hold it and he would be back in touch. He thought a lot might be done for branches. The Chairman said the matter would be considered.

The meeting closed at 10.15 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL AT 33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH, ON SATURDAY, 13TH MAY, 1978, AT 2 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr. D. Macleod (in the Chair), Dr. J.C. Milligan, Mr. A. Aitkenhead, Miss M.H. Anderson, Dr. I.M. Hall, Mr. W.J. Ireland, Miss D. Leurs, Dr. A. MacFadyen, Miss F.M. Gordon, Mrs. A.J. Young, Miss J. Galloway, Dr. L. Currie, Mrs. J. Bain, Mr. Harold Barnes, Miss F. Galway, Mr. P.N. Edwards, Miss A.C. Lee, Dr. E.J. Forbes, Mr. D. Gray, Mrs. A. Murphy, Mrs. M. Campbell, Mrs. J.O. Thomson, Mr. T. Leslie, Mr. R. Hunn, Mrs. E. Ferguson, Mr. J.D.L. Gregor, Miss M. Clark, Miss W. Miller, Mrs. E. Gilroy, Mr. R.A.B. McLaren, Miss F. MacCormick, Miss M. Ross, Mrs. C.P. Wadsworth, Miss D.A. Paterson, Mr. H. van Zon, Mr. J.E. Cunningham, Mrs. F.C. Inglis, Mrs. Linklater-Shirras, Miss D. Allan, Miss N.J. Arnott, Mrs. J. Hamilton, Mrs. E. Stoddart, Gp. Capt. J.D.S. Huxley, Miss D.A. Hollinsworth, Mr. J. Laurie, Mrs. J. Sandilands, Miss E. Shaw, Mrs. J. Docherty, Mr. J.C. Douglas, Mr. W. Clement, Miss I. Mundie, Miss B.A. Nairn, Miss M. Collie, Mrs. J.C. Balfour, Mr. A.G. Lee, Mrs. M.C. Gudger, Mrs. Hewat, Mr. J. Scahill, Miss I. Redford, Mrs. M. Ball, Mr. W.A. Gray, Miss J.C.G. Bowie, Miss F. Martin, Mr. G. Burnett, Miss Greta Smith, Miss Moir, Miss H. Gardiner Jones, Mrs. J. Clappitt

ATTENDING: Miss M.M. Gibson (Secretary), Mrs. M.G. Hall (Cashier), Miss D. M. Vaughan (Treasurer).

EC78/1 APOLOGIES

The Earl of Mansfield, Mr. James Taylor, Mrs. Benn, Mrs. Wass, Mrs. Lisk, Mr. Greenyer. (No apologies were intimated where substitute representatives were present).

EC78/2 MINUTES

With the addition of Miss Nairn's name to those present, the Minutes of the Meeting on 19th November, 1977, were approved.

EC78/3 BUSINESS ARISING

(a) EC77/25 'Scotland Dances': The Secretary reported that since the Agenda had gone out, the Scottish Council for Educational Technology had withdrawn the films for checking. The film could, however, be hired from the Scottish Film Council, 3 Randolph Crescent, Edinburgh, EH3. The Society did not own a copy of the film but it could be purchased from the Scottish Film Council for £100.

The Executive Council decided to ask the Finance Committee to consider the possibility of purchasing a copy of the film.

(b) EC77/26(c): Portrait of Dr. Milligan. The Chairman informed Council that a small reproduction in colour of Dr. Milligan's portrait was now available at 35p.

(c) EC77/31. Branch Formation: Miss Anderson reported that the TAC had had a strong protest from Winnipeg teachers regarding the Council's approval of the formation of the Regina Branch and queried the number of teachers in the Branch. The Chairman said that the application had shown that there were two teachers and had been in order and confirmed that the matter was now a 'fait accompli'. He agreed, however, that the views of the TAC could be sought in future Canadian applications though Council was not bound to accept them.

Resolved that before Branch this be granted to a group in under the name of the TAC and sought.

EC78/3.

EC78/4 MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(a) Publications and Research Committee Minutes of 15th April, 1978.

PR78/8. Council did not accept the decision on alternative choices and by a majority decided that members should always have a free choice of the Society's publications (from No.6 onwards in the numbered books and similar publications including leaflets).

Council also reiterated that only where there was a multiple membership household would an alternative choice be given.

With that alteration the Minutes were approved.

(b) Summer School Committee Minutes of 19th November, 1977.

The Chairman announced the results of the Jean Milligan Scholarship awards for 1978: Miss Ivy Bruning of Gothenburg Branch had been accepted for the Preliminary Test Class and Mr. Nigel Cooper of Tunbridge Wells Branch for the Teachers' Certificate class.

Mr. Douglas raised the question of facilities being afforded to Laird Records at Summer School and Dr. Milligan stated that the firm were no longer to have these facilities. She agreed that the Summer School Office would be prepared to handle the Newcastle Branch Records (previously on sale through Lairds) on terms to be mutually arranged.

The Minutes were approved.

(c) General Purposes Committee

(i) Minutes of 28th January, 1978.

GP78/6(a) Council decided to delete "within the Branch" in the last line of this paragraph.

GP78/7 - Council had already (under EC78/4(a) above) altered this decision.

With these alterations the Minutes were approved.

(ii) Minutes of 29th April, 1978

GP78/13(c) Council amended this paragraph by the insertion of "Where there was no alternative" at the start before 'No objection was seen' etc.

GP78/13(d) The Aberdeen offer to host the 1980 Annual General Meeting was accepted by Council.

With these amendments the Minutes were approved.

(d) Finance Committee

(i) Minutes of 28th January, 1978.

F78/6. While the Minute was approved Council considered that Examiners' fees should be further increased. Mrs. Wadhurst proposed £5 an hour and was seconded by Mr. Douglas.

Dr. Forbes, seconded by Miss Miller, proposed £3 an hour. Dr. Hall proposed that examiners should be remunerated on the same basis as adjudicators. No vote was taken and it was decided to remit the matter to the Finance Committee which could take the various proposals for guidance.

The Minutes were approved.

(ii) Minutes of 29th April, 1978 were approved.

The Secretary reported that the amount donated to the Queen's Jubilee Appeal Fund had increased to £105 and the Treasurer reported a further increase of £10 making a total of £115 to go to the Fund.

EC78/5

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING BUSINESS

On behalf of the Examinations Committee Mr. D...Gray, seconded by Mr. W.J. Ireland, moved the following amendment to the Society's Constitution and Rules.

Rule V. Examinations and Certificates, paragraph 3 (page 16).

Delete existing paragraph 3 and substitute:

the
"Candidates for the Preliminary Test for Teachers' Certificate granted by the Society must be members of the Society, be at least 20 years of age and shall have paid the requisite entrance fee.

In the case of students engaged in Full Time Teacher Training the age qualification may be waived".

(This ruling to be effective from 1st September, 1979)

Dr. Currie, seconded by Mr. Edwards moved that the first paragraph should be amended to read:

"Candidates for the Preliminary Test for the Teachers' Certificate granted by the Society must be members of the Society. They must be at least 20 years of age or have been a member of the Society for two years and shall have paid the requisite entrance fee."

The amendment was carried by a large majority and it was unanimously decided that the amended resolution should go forward to the Annual General Meeting.

EC78/6

BRANCH CONSTITUTIONS

- (a) The Constitution for South East Queensland Branch was approved.
- (b) The amendments to the Mornington Peninsula Branch Constitution were approved.

EC78/7

AFFILIATIONS

(a) Approval was given for affiliation of the undernoted groups:

- Bracknell Reel Club, Berkshire
- Scottish Country Dancing Society of Berlin
- Kingussie S.C. Dance Club
- Halton School of S.C. Dancing Cheshire
- Cannich S.C.D. Club
- Kogarah Presbyterian Church S.C.D. Club, Sydney
- Kelowna S.C.D. Group, Canada
- Nelson S.C.D. Group, Canada
- Gambia Caledonian Society, The Gambia
- St. Andrew's Society of Pensacola, Florida, S.C.Dancers
- S.C. Dance Society of Buffalo, New York
- Glen Avon Scottish Country Dancers, California
- Kuching S.C. Dance Group, Malaysia
- S.C. Dancers, Miami, Florida
- Java St. Andrew Society, Indonesia.

(b) St. Giles S.C.D. Club, Calgary - Affiliation was approved subject to confirmation of support from Calgary Branch.

(c) The following applications for affiliation were not approved:

- The Thistle Club, Dumfries
- The Fortrose S.C.D. Club

EC78/8

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETINGS

Mr. Ireland asked if the General Purposes Committee could consider changing the date of the first Executive Council Meeting after the AGM to a later time. It was agreed to remit the matter to the General Purposes Committee.

EC78/9

NEXT MEETING

Saturday, 19th August, at 2 p.m. at St. Andrews.

The meeting closed at 4.45 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Duncan MacLeod
19th August 1979

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
HELD AT 33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH ON
SATURDAY, 12TH MAY, 1979, AT 2 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr. D. Macleod (in the Chair)
Mr. J. Taylor, Mr. A. Aitkenhead, Mrs. N. Dunn, Miss I.L. Elliot,
Miss D. Leurs, Miss L. Martin, Mrs. W. Barclay, Miss J. Galloway,
Dr. L. Currie, Mrs. J. Bain, Miss F. I. Galway, Mr. P.N. Edwards,
Miss A.C.Lee, Mr. L.Galley, Mr.D.A.Gray, Mrs.A.Murphy, Mrs.B.Wass,
Mr. T.Leslie, Mr.R.Hunn, Miss E.M.C. Ferguson, Mr.J.D.L. Gregor,
Mrs. H.Lawrenson, Miss W. Miller, Mrs.H.T.Lisk, Mr.J.B.Keddie,
Mr. G.Bell, Mrs. M.Campbell, Miss F. MacCormick, Mrs.J.Buchanan,
Mrs.W.J.Wadsworth, Dr. A.MacFadyen, Miss G.Wyper, Mrs. F.C.Inglis,
Mrs. M.I. Linklater Shirras, Miss A.Allan, Mrs. J.Hamilton,
Gp.Capt.J.D.S. Huxley, Miss D.A.Hollinsworth, Mr.T.G.Leggat,
Mr.J.Laurie, Mrs.J.Sandilands, Mr.J.Clifford, Dr.I.M.Hall,
Miss E.N.A. Shaw, Mr.I.C.Hair, Mr.J.C. Douglas, Mr. W.Clement,
Miss B.A.Nairn, Mrs.J.Salfour, Mr.A.G.Lee, Mrs.M.C. Gudger,
Mrs.J.Hewat, Mr.J.Scahill, Miss I.Redford, Mr.J.Fyfe, Mrs.M.Ball,
Mr.W.A.Gray, Miss J.C.G.Sowie, Miss F.Martin, Mr.G.Burnett,
Mrs. G.Muir, Miss M.Duffield, Mrs. M.Corson, Miss E.G.Jones,
Mr.A.S.Greenyer, Miss N.H.Anderson, Mrs. L. Gaul

ATTENDING: Miss M.M.Gibson (Secretary) Mrs. M.G.Hall (Cashier)

With Council's permission Mr. D. Brown of the St.Andrew Society of
Delft was permitted to attend as an Observer.

EC79/1 OBITUARIES
The Chairman paid tribute to Sir Herbert Brechin (Vice-President),
to Mr. Cooper of Newcastle-upon-Tyne and District Branch and to
Miss Lillian Ross (Glasgow Branch) all of whom had passed away since
the last meeting. Miss Ross had been a founder member of the
Society.

EC79/2 APOLOGIES
Miss Arnott, Miss M.M. Ross, Mrs. J.Clampitt, Miss I. Mundie,
Mrs. M.G.Parker, Mrs. J. Doherty, Miss A.B. Mann, Miss M.Y.Cunningham,
Mrs. E.Hargreaves, Miss M. Collie, Miss M.M. Clark, Miss D.A.Paterson,
Mr. H. Barnes, Mr. H. van Zon, Mrs. A. MacDougall and
Miss D.M. Vaughan (Treasurer).

EC79/3 MINUTES
The Minutes of the meeting on 18th November, 1978 were approved.

EC79/4 BUSINESS ARISING
EC78/23 : Mrs. Linklater Shirras said that although it had been stated
that Groups would be encouraged to pay their membership subscriptions
through the nearest Branch, Inverness had not received membership
subscriptions from the Group at Cannich. The Secretary promised to
look into this.

EC79/5 MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS
(a) Summer School Committee Meeting of 2nd December, 1978
The Minutes were approved unanimously.
Mr. Aitkenhead, seconded by Dr. Hall, proposed that a further
meeting of the Summer School Committee should be held before
Summer School in order to ratify the Director's decisions.
After some discussion Mr. Aitkenhead, with his seconder's
agreement, withdrew his motion.

EC79/5 (b) Examinations Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 2nd December, 1978.

The draft Rules and Procedure for RSCDS Examinations were amended as follows:

Appendix A to Minutes (Preliminary Test)

- (a) Mr. Edwards, seconded by Mr. Leslie, Moved to delete '20' and to substitute '18' in para 1, line 1. The motion was defeated by an overwhelming majority.
- (b) On the Chairman's suggestion it was unanimously agreed to insert after 'age' in para 1, line 1 "at the date of examination".

Appendix B to Minutes (Teachers' Certificate)

It was proposed by Mr. Douglas and unanimously agreed that in para 3, line 1 "enrol for a" would be deleted and "take the" substituted. In line 2 "Course" would be deleted.

In order not to penalise candidates who, under the old regulations could sit the Teacher's Certificate Examination within a year of passing the Preliminary Test, it was proposed by the Chairman, seconded by Mr. Hair and unanimously agreed that candidates who had taken their Preliminary Test before 30th June, 1979, would be permitted to take the Teachers' Certificate examination under the old regulations, i.e. one year after passing the Preliminary Test.

It was decided that no exception to the regulations would be made without the authority of the Examinations Committee.

With these amendments the Minutes were approved.

Miss Anderson, seconded by Miss Miller, moved that paragraphs 3 and 4 of Rule V (Examinations and Certificates) be deleted from the Constitution and Rules. This motion was carried unanimously.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 31st March, 1979.

Mr. Aitkenhead raised the question of examiners being required to have taught examination classes before being accepted as examiners, with specific reference to Mr. Ireland. The Chairman stated that Mr. Ireland's name remained on the Examiners' List and he volunteered personally to discuss the matter of examination classes with Mr. Ireland.

The Minutes were approved.

(c) Publications and Research Committee

The Minutes of the Meetings on 13th and 10th March, 1979 were approved.

(d) Finance Committee

The Minutes of the Meetings on 27th January and 21st April, 1979, were approved.

(e) General Purposes Committee

The Minutes of Meetings on 27th January and 21st April, 1979 were approved.

The Chairman drew Council's attention to GP79/6 which accepted the Elgin Branch offer to hold the AGM there in 1982.

Minute GP79/18(a) amended the date of formation of St. Andrews Branch to 1937.

EC79/5 (e) General Purposes Committee (contd)

On behalf of Toronto Branch Mr. Burnett, seconded by Sp.Capt. Huxley, moved that -

"Any overseas Branch entitled to more than one vote and having sent a delegate or delegates, or having nominated a delegate or delegates in the United Kingdom to attend a General Meeting on its behalf, shall be permitted to give a delegate or delegates the authority to cast the full quota of votes to which that Branch is entitled, this authority to apply to both voting on all motions before a General Meeting and to the elections to Offices, the Executive Council or Committees. Arrangements for recording these authorised votes shall be made by the Executive Council and it shall be the duty of the Chairman at the General Meeting to intimate the number of votes so cast, which shall be added to the votes of those delegates present as each motion is considered."

Mr. Burnett noted that the General Purposes Committee had not been prepared to support the motion and asked the Executive Council to recommend acceptance to the A.G.M. After some discussion Council decided that they would make no recommendation either way when the motion went forward to the Annual General Meeting.

EC79/6 CONSTITUTIONS

Amendments were approved to the undernoted Branch Constitutions:

- (a) Edinburgh Branch
- (b) Melbourne Branch
- (c) New York Branch
- (d) Northern Virginia Branch - with the exception of the amendment to Section 1 regarding inactive members, which was NOT approved.

EC79/7 APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION

The following applications for affiliation were approved:-

- (a) Belper Scottish Country Dancers (England)
- (b) North Bucks Scottish Country Dance Society (England)
- (c) Downham Market Scottish Country Dance Group (England)
- (d) Hindon and East Knoyle Scottish Country Dancers (England)
- (e) Compass Scottish Country Dancers (South Africa)✓
- (f) Las Cuevas Scottish Country Dance Group (Tenerife)✓
- (g) The Thistle Club of Scottish Country Dancing (Holland)
- (h) St. George Scottish Country Dance Group (Canada)✓
- (i) The St. Andrew's Society (Michigan, USA)✓
- (j) Schiehallion Scottish Country Dance Club (New Zealand)✓
- (k) Central Kentucky Scottish Country Dance Society (USA)✓
- (l) Baltimore Scottish Country Dancers (USA)✓
- (m) Red Hackles Scottish Country Dance Group (USA)✓
- (n) Caledonia Country Dance Group (USA)
- (o) Ballerins de France (France)
- (p) Hangleton Scottish Dance Club (England)
- (q) New Town Scottish Country Dancers, Conn. (USA)✓
- (r) Balconnen Scottish Country Dancers (Canberra, Australia)
- (s) Kyoto Scottish Country Dance Club (Japan)

EC79/8 APPLICATIONS FOR BRANCH FORMATION

The following applications to form Branches were approved:

- (a) Milton Keynes (England)
- (b) Doncaster and District (England)
- (c) Delft (The Netherlands)

EC79/9 SOCIETY ARCHIVES

The Chairman invited Dr. A. MacFadyen, the Society's Honorary Archivist, to address Council. Dr. MacFadyen saw his work as a systematic organisation of the material now held by the Society and its extension in future years.

First there was the section of Archives dealing with the history of the Society. We had already had 56 years behind us and therefore had our own history and he was anxious to amass material relating to the history of the Society - e.g. a biography of Dr. Milligan, letters, etc. and he would be very grateful for any help in this respect. He was also interested in the history of Branches and suggested that Branches might like to centralise their early Minute Books at Headquarters since some Branches have already reached their Jubilee celebrations.

Secondly the Society's first aim is to publish the traditional dances of Scotland and we must keep on looking for such sources, especially as this is becoming more difficult. Some sources once available to us appear to have gone astray and some may have gone back to their original owners. If anyone knew of these he would be grateful if they would contact him. Anything which would establish the sources of what we have already used would be useful also.

He asked delegates to take back to their Branches his request for any help they could give about traditional sources, including Branches outwith Scotland as many of our printed sources were published in England and some have gone overseas; he was anxious to know where these were.

Dr. MacFadyen mentioned Dr. Milligan's enthusiasm for traditional music and said that now he had familiarised himself with the collection of music at HQ he thought it was possibly the finest collection of Scottish Country Dance Music that he had come across and we could be very proud of that. He again asked for help in obtaining traditional music, including songs.

Finally, Dr. MacFadyen said that this was a living Society and over the years Headquarters have received a great number of recently devised dances. We shall continue to receive these and will be looking at those to see if we can publish them.

EC79/10 SCOTTISH DANCE ARCHIVES

The Chairman said he had been approached by the 'Scottish Dance Archives' with a view to attending a meeting in July and asked to give names of people who might be helpful and useful at this meeting. They had also asked permission to issue a questionnaire to all our Branches. Some Branches had objected strongly to it and the Chairman made it quite clear that it was entirely up to Branches whether they gave the information or not.

EC79/11 NEXT MEETING

18th August, 1979, at St. Andrews.

In closing the meeting the Chairman drew the attention of Council to the fact that the Earl of Mansfield, our President, had been appointed a Minister of State at the Scottish Office and Council recorded its congratulations to the Earl on his appointment.

The meeting closed at 4.30 p.m.

Duncan MacLeod

18th Aug. 1979.

On behalf of the Society's Honorary Archivist, Dr. A. MacFadyen, invited to address Council.

Mr. MacFadyen said that he had been approached by the 'Scottish Dance Archives' with a view to attending a meeting in July and asked to give names of people who might be helpful and useful at this meeting. They had also asked permission to issue a questionnaire to all our Branches. Some Branches had objected strongly to it and the Chairman made it quite clear that it was entirely up to Branches whether they gave the information or not.

RESOLUTIONS

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THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
HELD AT UNIVERSITY HALL, ST. ANDREWS, ON
SATURDAY, 18TH AUGUST, 1979 AT 2 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr. D. Macleod (in the Chair), Mr. J. Taylor, Mr. A. Aitkenhead, Mrs.N.Dunn, Miss D. Leurs, Miss A.B.W.Mann, Miss L.Martin, Mrs.W.Barclay, Miss F.I.Galway, Mr. B. Frazer, Miss A.C.Lee, Mr. D.A.Gray, Mrs.A.Murphy, Mrs.A.MacDougall, Mr. J.H.Shaw, Mrs.J.O.Thomson, Mr.A.Gillies, Mr.R.Hunn, Miss E.M.C.Ferguson, Mr.J.D.L.Gregor, Mrs.I.C.Cruickshanks, Miss M.A.Rae, Miss M.Clark, Mrs.H.T.Lisk, Mr.J.B.Keddie, Mr.G.Bell, Miss F.MacCormick, Miss M.M.Ross, Mrs.W.J.Wadsworth, Miss D.A.Paterson, Miss G.Wyper, Mrs.L.Gaul, Dr.D.Brande, Mrs. F.C.Inglis, Mrs.M.I.Linklater Shirras, Miss A.Allan, Miss N.J.Arnott, Mrs.J.Hamilton, Gp.Capt.J.D.S.Huxley, Miss D.A.Hollinsworth, Mr.J.Laurie, Mr.J.Sandilands, Mr.J.Clifford, Mrs.R.Needham, Mrs.J.Docherty, Mr.L.Harris, Mr.J.C.Douglas, Mr.W.Clement, Miss J.Bradley, Miss B.A.Nairn, Mrs.J.Balfour, Mrs.M.C.Gudger, Mrs.J.Hewat, Mr.J.Scahill, Miss I.Redford, Mr.J.Fyfe, Miss B.M. Griffiths, Mr. W.A.Gray, Miss J.C.G.Bowie, Miss F.Martin, Mr. G.Burnett, Mrs.G.Muir, Miss M.Y.K.Cunningham, Mrs.M.Corson, Miss H.G.Jones, Mr. A.S.Greenyer, Mr.W.O.Bishop, Miss M.H.Anderson, Mrs.M.Stacey, Mr. A. Boode, Mrs.H.Warburton.

ATTENDING: Miss M.M.Gibson (Secretary) Mrs.M.G.Hall (Cashier) Miss D.M.Vaughan (Treasurer)

EC79/12 APOLOGIES

Miss M. Collie, Dr. L.R. Currie, Mrs. Bain, Miss I.L. Elliot, Mr. L.C.Galley, Mr. H. Barnes, Mrs. M.G. Parker, Mr. T.G.Leggat, Mrs. B. Wass.

EC79/13 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting on 12th May, 1979, were approved unanimously.

EC79/14 BUSINESS ARISING

- (a) EC79/8 - Council noted that all three Branches who had been given approval to form a Branch had confirmed formation.
- (b) EC79/4 - Mrs. Linklater Shirras asked what the result of the Secretary's investigation had been. Miss Gibson said that Cannich Group had already paid this year's memberships and affiliation to Headquarters but that she would invite the Group to pay their subscriptions through the Branch next year.
- (c) EC79/5(e) Mr. Burnett said that some people seemed to be a little confused as to what was intended by the Toronto resolution to the A.G.M. It was confirmed however that the wording was correct so far as the Society Constitution went.

EC79/15 MINUTES OF SUB COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- (a) Publications and Research Committee
The Minutes of the Meetings on 12th May and 9th June, 1979 were approved.
- (b) Finance Committee
The Minutes of the meeting on 4th August, 1979, were approved.
Miss Vaughan gave a detailed explanation of the Accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1979, and the Balance Sheet as at that date, which would go before the A.G.M. There were no questions and she was congratulated on having had the accounts prepared and audited by this date.
Mr. Macleod spoke of the VAT situation as it affected Summer School (F79/37 (c) second paragraph). He said that after the new British Government had taken office VAT had been increased from 8% to 15% in June. As fees for Summer School had already been received and as

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
HELD AT THE GIRL GUIDE HEADQUARTERS,
33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH AT 2.00 P.M. ON
SATURDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1979.

PRESENT: Mr J Taylor (in the Chair), Mrs M G Parker, Mr D Macleod, Mrs N Dunn,
Miss I Elliot, Mr R H Mackay, Miss L Martin, Mrs L Barclay, Dr L Currie,
Mrs J Bain, Mr H Barnes, Miss F I Galway, Mr Bruce Frazer, Miss A C Lee,
Mr L Galley, Mrs A MacDougall, Mrs B Wass, Mrs J O Thomson, Mr Tim J Leslie,
Mr R Hunn, Mr Aad Boode, Miss E M C Ferguson, Mr J D L Gregor, Mrs Irene
Cruikshanks, Miss M Clark, Miss A W Miller, Mrs H T Lisk, Mr J B Keddle,
Mr Graham C Bell, Mrs M Campbell, Miss M M Ross, Mrs W J Wadsworth,
Miss D A Paterson, Miss G Wyper, Mrs Linda Gaul, Mr George Mechan,
Mrs F C Inglis, Mrs M I Linklater-Shirras, Miss A Allan, Miss N J Arnott,
Mrs J Hamilton, Gp Capt J D S Huxley, Mr T G Leggat, Mr J Laurie,
Mr J H Sandilands, Mr J Clifford, Mrs Ros Needham, Mr J C Douglas,
Mr W Clement, Miss I Mundie, Miss B A Nairn, Mrs J Balfour, Mr A G Lee,
Mrs M C Gudger, Miss Margaret Grieve, Mr J Soahill, Miss I Redford,
Mr John Hutton, Mr Colin S Hilton, Miss J C G Bowie, Miss F Martin,
Mr G Burnett, Miss M Y K Cunningham, Mrs M Corson, Miss H G Jones,
Miss M H Anderson.

ATTENDING: Miss M M Gibson (Secretary), Miss D M Vaughan (Treasurer),
Mrs M G Hall (Cashier)

The Chairman welcomed representatives, especially those attending for the
first time, to the first Executive Council after the A.G.M. He read
a message of condolence from New York Branch regarding the death of
Miss M L Ross.

EC79/21 APOLOGIES

Miss Mann, Dr Hall, Mrs Moore, Mrs Warburton, Mrs Stacey, Miss Hollingworth,
Miss MacCormick, Mr Greenyer, Mr Campbell, Miss Collie, Mr W A Gray.

EC79/22 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting on 18th August were approved unanimously.

EC79/23 BUSINESS ARISING

EC79/4: Mrs Linklater-Shirras again raised the question of the Cannich
Group subscriptions. The Secretary confirmed that she had
written to Mr Graden who had intimated that he would call at
Headquarters to discuss the matter.

EC79/24 MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(a) Summer School

The Minutes of the Meeting of 25th August, 1979, were approved.

(b) Finance Committee

Minutes of the Meeting on 27th October, 1979.

The Chairman informed Council that a new member of staff had been
employed - Mrs Eigar - who was present at the meeting.

The recommendation of the Finance Committee regarding Branch accounts
(F79/46(e)) would be passed to the General Purposes Committee's Sub-
Committee considering the Society Constitution.

The large increase in fees for Summer School was due to increased
University charges and VAT and outwith the control of the Society.

Drawing attention to Minute F79/53(a) Mr Taylor said that the
Finance Committee had recommended that Laird Records be invited to
attend Summer School again as members at the School wanted this
facility. Council agreed with this and also decided that should
Laird Records wish to advertise in the Bulletin, an advertisement
could be accepted.

we did not pay the University until after August School we found
ourselves having to make up the balance...
that every member should pay the additional 10 but legally he left
we could not do that...
some might and others would not and that would be unfair...
The Finance Committee had agreed to absorb the loss; the University had
found themselves in this same position in case of their own courses.
The Treasurer said that the sum involved was around £2,000.
Regarding future extension, Mr Macleod said it had been thought that
we would link the Society course with the course for Scottish students
since then, he and the Secretary had met with Mr. G. G. G. of the
University; out of the discussion it appeared that it would not be
feasible to do so...
Mr Taylor spoke on the minutes for the year ended 30th June, 1979,
and drew attention to the anticipated deficit of £1,000...
The Finance Committee had agreed...
He asked the Executive Council to put forward a motion to the effect
to the Annual General Meeting and this was agreed...
(Resolutions upon Type and District) asked that the effective date should
be fixed, where branch members were concerned, to the nearest
financial year, and had been previously when the committee had
been raised.

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY
The application by the Kingston Branch for permission to form a Branch was approved, the name of the Branch to
be Kingston (District).
The following applications for affiliation were approved:
Guthrie Scottish Country Dance Club (District)
The Harrow City St. Andrew Society Country Dancers (G.S.D.)
Central Texas Scottish Country Dance Society (G.S.D.)
The International Group (District, Spain)
Tennant Scottish Dancing Club (District)
OTHER BUSINESS - EXAMINERS' LIST
Mr John James (London Branch) raised the question of Mr. Taylor's status
as an examiner and, seconded by Mr. James (Edinburgh Branch) a
proposal:
(1) that the Executive Council direct the Examiners' Committee to
instruct the Secretary to submit in the interim the list of
2nd April, 1979, to Mr. J. J. James.
(2) that Mr. James's functions be carried on until immediately
without prejudice, and without imposition of further conditions,
that the Secretary be instructed to write to Mr. James to confirm
items (1) and (2).
This motion, seconded by Mr. Alexander, proposed that the matter be
referred back to the Examiners' Committee.
After some discussion the matter was referred back to an extraordinary
meeting.
CHAIRMAN
Mr Macleod, stating that the date of office as Chairman would come
in an end in November, thanked the Executive Council for their support and
co-operation during the three years in which he had held office.
17th November, 1979, Edinburgh.

The Chairman also drew attention to the subscription to be paid by Teachers' Associations (£25 per annum).

The Minutes were unanimously approved.

(c) General Purposes Committee

The Minutes of the Meeting on 27th October, were approved.

The Chairman drew the attention of representatives to the decisions of the Committee regarding the interest from the Memorial Fund. In 1980 additional scholarships were being made available and a course was to be held for pianists. He asked that Branches should check if they had pianists who were not accomplished in Scottish Country Dance Music and who would benefit from a short period of training. In 1981 it was proposed to use the interest from the Fund to send a teacher to Africa.

(d) Examinations Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 10th November, 1979

The acceptance of the Minutes was proposed and seconded. Mr Laurie (London Branch) asked that Minute EX79/15(b) concerning Mr Ireland be discussed before the meeting were asked to approve the Minutes. After some discussion the Chairman asked the meeting to consider the principle that all examiners should have had experience of teaching examination classes. The meeting unanimously accepted this principle which had already been established. Discussion then ensued on the particular case of Mr Ireland. The Chairman asked representatives to vote on whether or not an exception should be made in Mr Ireland's case. The vote was overwhelmingly against making any exception to the principle. The meeting noted that Mr Ireland would be given the opportunity of taking an examination class at Summer School in 1980.

The Minutes were approved.

Dr Currie raised the matter of qualifications for examiners in general and said that having taken certificate classes, a teacher was expected to attend Summer School as a potential examiner. He said there were those who could not attend Summer School and asked if it were possible to attend Branch examinations instead. Mr Macleod was of the opinion that it might be feasible for a teacher to be seen in a Branch.

Dr Currie also asked if any examiner now was permitted to examine alone (e.g. someone in a College of Education). Mr Macleod said that two examiners were necessary.

EC79/25 APPOINTMENTS OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 1979/80

(a) Finance Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Vice-Chairman), Mr D Macleod (Immediate Past Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:-

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| Miss F I Galway | (Belfast) |
| Gp Capt Huxley | (Leamington Spa) |
| Mr T G Leggat | (Leicester) |
| Miss A W Miller | Duns & District) |
| Miss D A Paterson | (Glasgow) |
| Miss M M Ross | (Forres) |

Mr J Taylor was duly elected Convener.

(b) General Purposes Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman and Convener), Mrs M G Parker (Vice-Chairman), Mr D Macleod (Immediate Past Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mr G Bell (Edinburgh)
- Mrs N Dunn (Elected Member)
- Mr J C Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne & District)
- Mrs L Gaul (Hamilton-Ontario)
- Mr W A Gray (South Wales)
- Mr J D Gregor (Dunbartonshire West)
- Dr I Hall (Elected Member)
- Miss B A Nairn (Perth & Perthshire)
- Mrs J Thomson (Clackmannanshire)

(c) Examinations Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Vice-Chairman), Mr D Macleod (Immediate Past Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss M H Anderson (TAC)
- Miss N J Arnott (Kirkcaldy)
- Miss L C Martin (Elected Member)
- Mrs W Wadsworth (Gatehouse of Fleet)

Miss M H Anderson was duly elected Convener

(d) Publications & Research Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Vice-Chairman), Mr D Macleod (Immediate Past Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mr W Clement (Northern Virginia)
- Miss I Elliot (Elected Member)
- Mrs M C Gudger (Rochdale)
- Mr R Mackay (Elected Member)

Mr D Macleod was duly elected Convener

(e) Summer School Committee

Mr D Macleod (Director of Summer School and Convener), Mr J Taylor (Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mrs L Barclay (Aberdeen)
- Miss A B W Mann (Elected Member)
- Mr G Machan (Hawaii)
- Miss I Redford (St Andrews)

EC79/26

TIMETABLE FOR MEETINGS (1980 unless otherwise stated)

Dates and times for Committee Meetings were decided as follows:

(a) Executive Council : At 2 p.m.

- 10 May (Edinburgh)
- 16 August (St Andrews)
- 15 November (Edinburgh)

(b) Finance Committee : At 2 p.m.

- 19 January (Edinburgh)
- 26 April (Edinburgh)
- 2 August (St Andrews)
- 25 October (Edinburgh)

(c) General Purposes Committee : At 11 a.m.

- 19 January (Edinburgh)
- 26 April (Edinburgh)
- 25 October (Edinburgh)

(d) Examinations Committee : At 2 p.m.

- 29 March (Edinburgh)
- 20 September (Edinburgh)

The Chairman also drew attention to the minutes of the previous meeting...

(a) General Purposes Committee

The minutes of the meeting on 17th October, were approved. The Chairman drew the attention of representatives to the details of the minutes regarding the interest from the National Fund...

(b) Examinations Committee

Minutes of Meeting at 10th November, 1979. The proposals of the minutes were approved. The proposals (London Group) were approved...

The minutes were approved. Mr Taylor raised the matter of qualifications for members in general and also drew attention to the fact that a number of members were expected to attend the summer school...

(c) Finance Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Vice-Chairman), Mr D Macleod (Immediate Past Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mrs J I Cairns
- Mr J D Gregor
- Mr J Taylor
- Mrs M G Parker
- Mr D Macleod
- Mrs L Gaul
- Mr W A Gray
- Mr J D Gregor
- Dr I Hall
- Miss B A Nairn
- Mrs J Thomson

(d) General Purposes Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Vice-Chairman), Mr D Macleod (Immediate Past Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- (e) Publications & Research Committee : At 10.30 a.m.
 - 8 December 1979 (Edinburgh)
 - 26 January (Edinburgh)
 - 8 March (Edinburgh)
 - 10 May (Edinburgh)
 - 20 September (Edinburgh)
- (f) Summer School Committee
 - 17 November 1979 (Edinburgh) : At 4.30 p.m.
 - 23 August (Edinburgh) : At 11.00 a.m.
- (g) Annual General Meeting : At 2.30 p.m.
 - 1 November (Aberdeen)

EC79/27 APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION

The following applications for affiliation were approved:

- (a) Knowle Scottish Country Dance Club, Solihull, England
- (b) Porthleven Scottish Country Dancing Group, Cornwall
- (c) White Cockade Social and Dance Club, Hamilton, Ontario
- (d) Dingwall Country Dance Group
- (e) The Portland Scottish Country Dance Club, Oregon, USA

EC79/28 BRANCH FORMATION

The application by Buffalo Scottish Country Dance Group for permission to form a Branch was approved with the name Buffalo N.Y. Branch.

EC79/29 BRANCH CONSTITUTIONS

- (a) Amendments to the Constitution of Victoria Branch were approved.
- (b) Approval was given for Leicestershire Branch to change the name to LEICESTER Branch.

EC79/30 AGM

- (a) Miss Paterson asked for clarification of the acceptance of a Remit Back at the A.G.M. The Secretary said that a letter had gone to Branches at the beginning of August stating that Direct Negatives and Remits Back need not be notified prior to the AGM. As regards amendments while the Constitution had been amended to request amendments by a specified date prior to the meeting, there was still left in the Constitution the statement that the Chairman might accept an amendment at his discretion. The attention of the Sub-Committee on the Constitution would be drawn to this apparent anomaly.
- (b) Miss Mairn asked that the system be adhered to of individual forms being necessary for each applicant for tickets at A.G.M. functions, as non-members had attended. Mr Bell (Edinburgh Branch) felt that Branches should ensure that their members did not apply for tickets for non members.
- (c) Mr Galley (Birmingham Branch) asked if it were possible to get the Annual Accounts out earlier to Branches so that they might be discussed prior to the A.G.M. The Chairman said he would look into this though he felt it would be difficult to get the Accounts prepared any earlier.
- (d) In reply to a question regarding the possibility of the Summer School starting on a Saturday, the Secretary said she would raise the matter again with the Warden of University Hall.

EC79/31 PUBLICITY

The Chairman drew attention to the publicity handout which had been prepared. Mrs Wadsworth suggested that headed posters for notices of events might be provided. Mr Douglas suggested Christmas Cards with the motif on white on the front should be considered.

EC79/32 PRESENTATION

The Delft Branch representative, Mr And Boode, presented a hand-painted Delft plate for Headquarters. The Chairman asked him to take back to his members the warm thanks of the Society for this beautiful gift.

EC79/33 NEXT MEETING

10th May 1980, Edinburgh.
The meeting closed at 4.20 p.m.

James Tainsh
18th May 1980

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD AT THE GIRL GUIDE HEADQUARTERS, 33 MELVILLE ST.. EDINBURGH ON SATURDAY, 10TH MAY, 1980, AT 2.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr. J. Taylor (in the Chair), Mr. D. Macleod, Mrs. N. Dunn, Dr. I.M. Hall, Miss A.B.W. Mann, Miss L. Martin, Mrs. L. Barclay, Miss I.C. Paton, Dr. L. Currie, Mrs. J. Bain, Mr. H. Barnes, Miss F.I. Galway, Mr. B. Frazer, Miss A.C. Lee, Mr. L. Galley, Mr. D.A. Gray, Mrs. J.O. Thomson, Mr. T. Leslie, Mr. R. Hunn, Mr. A. Boode, Mrs. M.P. Stacey, Miss E.M.C. Ferguson, Mr. J.D.L. Gregor, Mrs. I. Cruickshanks, Miss M. Clark, Mrs. H.T. Lisk, Mr. G. Bell, Mrs. M. Campbell, Miss F. MacCormick, Miss M.M. Ross, Mrs. W.J. Wadsworth, Dr. D.C. Evans, Miss C. Wyper, Mrs. L. Gaul, Mr. G. Mechan, Mrs. F.C. Inglis, Mrs. M.I. Linklater-Sairras, Miss A. Allan, Miss N.J. Arnott, Mrs. J. Hamilton, Mrs. E. Stoddart, Gp. Capt. J.D.S. Huxley, Miss D.A. Hollingworth, Mr. J. Laurie, Mrs. J.H. Sandilands, Mr. J. Clifford, Mrs. D.R. Warburton, Mr. J.C. Douglas, Mr. W. Clement, Miss I. Mundie, Mrs. J. Belfour, Mr. A.C. Lee, Mrs. M.C. Gudger, Mrs. J. Hewat, Mr. J. Scanhill, Miss I. Redford, Mr. J. Hutton, Mr. C.S. Hilton, Mr. W.A. Gray, Miss J.C.G. Bowie, Miss F. Martin, Mr. G. Burnett, Mrs. G.D. Muir, Miss M. Duffield, Mrs. M. Corson, Miss H.G. Jones, Mr. A.S. Greenyer, Mrs. H. Whitaker, Miss M.H. Anderson. (69)

ATTENDING: Miss M.M. Gibson (Secretary)

EC80/1 APOLOGIES

Mrs. A. MacDougall, Mrs. R. Wass, Mr. J. Keddie, Mr. T.G. Leggat, Mrs. P.A. Moore, Miss M. Collie, Mr. B. Campbell, Mr. R.H. Mackay, Miss W.A. Miller, Miss B.A. Nairn, Miss D.M. Vaughan, Mrs. N.G. Parker

EC80/2 OBITUARIES

The Chairman, announcing the death of Mrs. M.G. Hall, a member of staff, said she had taken a keen interest in the work of the Society and would be sadly missed at Headquarters. He also spoke of David Findlay who had been for many years identified with Scottish Country Dance Music and who had played annually with the Olympians at the Younger Hall Dances at St. Andrews. Mr. Mechan had represented the Society at Mr. Findlay's funeral earlier on the day of the Council meeting. A short silence was observed by Council in memory of Mrs. Hall and Mr. Findlay.

EC80/3 MESSAGE FROM H.M. THE QUEEN

The Queen, through her Secretary, had intimated her delight at receiving a copy of the LP Record for Book 1.

EC80/4 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting on 17th November were approved unanimously.

EC80/5 BUSINESS ARISING

- (a) EC79/24(c) The Chairman reported that the Pianists' Course had been moderately successful but various suggestions both from the General Purposes Committee and from the pianists concerned would enable future courses to be improved.
- (b) EC79/31. The Chairman reported that Christmas Cards were in process of production and that a quotation was still awaited for posters.
- (c) EC79/24(b) Miss Anderson raised the matter of the decision of the Executive Council at its last meeting regarding Laird Records. The Chairman ruled that, a decision having been made, he would not allow the matter to be re-opened but he permitted Miss Anderson to give further information to Council.
- (d) EC79/24(d) In reply to a question regarding qualifications for examiners it was explained that the present policy had been arrived at some years ago. Potential examiners who had taught both Preliminary Test and Teachers' Certificate classes, had to attend Summer School during examinations and thereafter be approved by the Examinations Committee for inclusion in the Society's list of examiners.

EC80/6 MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(a) Summer School Committee

The Minutes of the Meeting on 17th November, 1979, were approved.

(b) Publications and Research Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 8th December, 1979.

The Chairman drew Council's attention to the request for Children's Badges and said these were being produced with the Society's dancer motif on white. 'RSCDS' would not appear on the badge since children were not eligible for membership.

Mrs. Dunn (Elected Member) objected to Strip the Willow being recorded in 6/8 time instead of 9/8. Mr. Macleod (Convener Publications Committee) said that certain difficulties had stood in the way of recording 9/8 time. Gp.Capt.Huxley (Leamington Spa) asked that the Publications Committee should consider recording Strip the Willow in 9/8 time at some future opportunity.

Mr. Hilton (Southport) asked that dance instructions should have fewer ambiguities and Mr. Macleod said that was indeed the aim of the Publications Committee. Mr. Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne) pointed out that 'Won't You Join the Dance' did not always agree with the Dance Books and Mr. Macleod said any necessary corrections would be made when the book came to be reprinted.

The Minutes were approved.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 26th January, 1980.

Mr. Frazer (Berks/Hants/Surrey Border) queried the number of dances included in the new book. Mr. Macleod pointed out that there was difficulty in finding traditional dances hitherto unpublished and he appealed to Council members to search libraries for dances and to send them in to Headquarters giving details of source and date.

The Minutes were approved.

(iii) Minutes of the Meeting on 8th March, 1980

Mr. Laurie disagreed with the use of the song tune for "A Man's a Man for A' That' being used for the dance but Mr. Macleod pointed out that the dance and tune had been published together in the source and that the musicians on the Committee had accepted it as suitable.

The Minutes were approved.

(iv) Minutes of the Meeting on 3rd May, 1980.

PR80/12 was amended with the substitution of 8th for 26th March. With that amendment the Minutes were approved.

(c) Finance Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 19th January, 1980

The Chairman drew Council's attention to the increased allowances for attendance at meetings.

Mrs. Linklater Shirras (Inverness and District) asked if it were possible to have green ties with the repeat dancers motif. The Secretary explained that it would be possible if there were sufficient demand and asked Mrs.Linklater-Shirras to ascertain how many of her Branch would want such ties and to let Headquarters know.

The Minutes were approved.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 26th April, 1980

The Chairman drew the attention of members particularly to the decision to disallow discount where Branches did not pay their bills within two months of the date of the Statement.

He also drew attention to the reversion of discount on accessories to 10% and the decision to bring overseas branches into line with UK branches so that they will no longer be asked to pay postage on Bulletins and subscription copies. As regards the Menuhin film (F80/18) the Chairman said that the suggestions regarding 8mm film and video tape had not been found feasible.

Council congratulated Mrs. Wallace on her promotion to Assistant Secretary and welcomed Miss Mary Wilkie to HQ Staff.

The Minutes were approved.

(d) General Purposes Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 19th January, 1980.

The Chairman said that as the member from Gambia had been found to be ineligible for the Memorial Scholarship the award had gone to a reserve - a member in the Mitcham Group, Australia; otherwise the awards were as stated in the General Purposes Committee Minutes.

Council accepted the offer of Dundee Branch to host the 1985 Annual General Meeting.

The Minutes were approved.

(ii) Minutes of the Meeting on 26th April, 1980

Mr. Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne) seconded by Dr. Hall (Elected Member) moved that the General Purposes Committee's recommendation at Minute GP80/16 be added to the list of amendments to the Society Constitution being put forward for the A.G.M. Agenda. This was unanimously agreed (See Minute EC80/10 below). The Minutes were approved but Constitutional Amendments would be considered at Item 10 on the Agenda.

(e) Examinations Committee

Minutes of the Meeting on 29th March, 1980.

In reply to a query from Dr. Currie (Ayrshire N.W. Branch), Miss Anderson (Convener of the Examinations Committee) explained why the Committee felt that potential examiners should attend Summer School. There were three days of examinations at Summer School in a less hurried atmosphere and potential examiners could gain more benefit thereby and from the several experienced examiners who were present at Summer School. Dr. Currie accepted this explanation.

Mr. Barnes (Bedfordshire) was perturbed to find confidential reports not reflecting candidates accurately. Miss Anderson said that the Committee was concerned about this and was presently discussing the question of reports. She felt it was hard to put a candidate out of a class but felt that he/she might be strongly advised not to enter for the examination; nevertheless the Committee felt that thereafter a candidate must be allowed to make up his/her own mind.

Miss Anderson pointed out that in Minute EX80/8(a)(ii) 'no' should be inserted between 'that' and 'preliminary' in the first line which should now read "It was agreed that no preliminary test candidate should be given an unseen dance to teach...." With that amendment the Minutes were approved.

EC80/7 APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION

The following applications for affiliation were approved:

- (a) Launceston Caledonian Society S.C. Dancers --Tasmania
- (b) Peterborough and District S.C. Dance Club - England
- (c) Cologne Scottish Country Dancers - Germany
- (d) Ashdown S.C.Dance Club. Crowborough, England
- (e) Harrogate Strathspey and Reel Club, England.
- (f) Scottish Country Dance Group of Omaha, Nebraska, USA
- (g) Nailsea Scottish Dancing Club, Bristol, England
- (h) Brevard S.C. Dancers, Port Orange, Florida, USA
- (i) Liskeard S.C.Dance Club, Cornwall, England
- (j) Orlando S.C. Dancers, Orlando, Florida, USA
- (k) Scottish C.D. Society of Fribourg, Switzerland
- (l) Falmouth White Heather Club, Cornwall, England
- (m) Malpas and District Scottish Society, Cheshire, England
- (n) Barnard Castle Scottish C.D. Club, Durham, England
- (o) Burnie S.C.Dancers, Tasmania (conditional on further information which has since been received).

EC80/8 BRANCH FORMATION

The application by the Bonnie Strathyre Scottish Country Dancers in Michigan to form a Branch was approved. The Group had suggested the name "Metropolitan Detroit Branch". Council did not approve and suggested that "Detroit Branch" was sufficiently distinctive.

EC80/9 BRANCH CONSTITUTIONS

Approval was given to the following Constitutions:

- Kingston (Ontario) Dundee Buffalo (New Ycrk)
 - Delft (with a minor amendment which would be notified to the Branch)
- An amendment to Mornington Peninsula Branch Constitution was approved.

EC80/10 MOTIONS FOR THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

(a) Teachers' Associations - Subscriptions

"that the Annual Subscription payable by Teachers' Associations shall be £25 per annum, payable on 1st July each year."
 (Decided by Council on 17 Nov. 1979)

(b) Amendments to the Constitution

(i) The following amendments recommended by the General Purposes Committee were accepted by Council:

A. Textual amendments consequent on printing error, amendments already approved, death of Vice President, etc. These amendments do not alter the status quo, are non-controversial, and it is proposed that they should be accepted en bloc.

Page	Section	Sub-Section	Para	Text
2				Under "RULES" insert new item "IV Teachers' Associations" Re-number existing IV and V as V and VI.
4	IV		1	Delete "Vice President (Office to be held only by a co-founder of the Society)"
4	VI	(1)	(b)	Line 3: Between "Society" and "and" insert "and each Teachers' Association".
6	VI	(2)	(f)	Second line: Delete "aforementioned"; substitute "hereafter mentioned".
8	VI	(4)	(c)	Summer School Committee: after "Director of Summer School" delete "(the Vice President)".
9	VII		7	Designate sub-paras (a),(b),(c) and (d).
RULES				
10/11	II	(1)	(a)	Delete "the Vice President whom failing"
11	II	(1)	(b)	Delete "the Vice President."
14	III	(3)	(b)	Delete "Honorary" substitute "Honorary"

B. Amendments to the Constitution and Rules of the Society proposing minor alterations.

4	VI	(1)	(b)	Line 4: After "General Meeting" insert "The Director of Summer School appointed by the Executive Council shall also be a member ex officio of the Executive Council."
5	VI	(2)	(c)	Delete "Fifteen" substitute "Twentyfive"
8	VI	(4)	(e)	After "Director of Summer School" delete "Five" and substitute "Four"
8	VI	(4)	(f)	Other Committees, penultimate line: Delete "ten" substitute "seven"
9	VII		3	Line 2: Delete "members" substitute "Branches"

9 VII 4 Delete first two sentences. Substitute:
 "Every Branch shall be entitled to send to a General Meeting delegates with full voting powers, entitlement to delegates being according to membership as follows:
 Up to 250 members ... 2 delegates
 251-500 " 3 "
 501-750 " 4 "
 751 and over " 5 "
 No Branch shall be entitled to more than 5 delegates."

9 VII 4 Line 6: After "teacher" insert "or musician".

10 VII 9 Delete para. Substitute new para. 9
 "Elections to offices and to the Executive Council shall be by ballot and the person/s with the highest number of votes cast at the first ballot shall be elected."

10 VII 10 Insert new para 10:
 "Except as otherwise provided, voting on all motions before a General Meeting shall be by show of delegates' hands. Decisions shall be by a majority of those voting, except in the case of alterations to the Constitution. In the event of an equality of votes, the Chairman shall have a casting vote."

10 VII Renumber existing paras 10 and 11 as 11 and 12 respectively.

RULES

11 II (1) (b) Last line: Delete "those present and entitled to vote" Substitute: "the delegates present".

11 II (2) Delete paras (c) and (d) and renumber paras (e) and (f) as (c) and (d) respectively.

14 III (4) (a) Delete "as soon as possible" in second line and substitute "within six months".

(ii) Mr. Bell (Edinburgh) seconded by Dr. Hall (Elected Member) moved that the Constitution be amended as follows:

RULES, page 15, Section III, para (6) sub-para (e)
Delete last line and substitute "after the Branch Annual General Meeting."

The motion was approved.

(iii) Mr. Gray (South Wales) seconded by Mr. T. Leslie (Croydon and District) moved that the Constitution and Rules be amended as follows:

RULES, page 11, Section II, para (2)
Insert new para (c):
 "Should an emergency motion have been included in the Final Agenda and not previously included in the Provisional Agenda an amendment relevant to such motion may be proposed by a delegate at the meeting."

The motion was approved. (This amendment will have the effect of re-numbering the subsequent sub-paras in (2).)

(c) The General Purposes Committee had put forward a motion to amend the Rules on page 16, Section IV, para 1(a), by adding after "Society" the words "and resident within the territory of the Association which has been recognised and approved by the Executive Council"

Mr. Bell (Edinburgh) seconded by Dr. Hall (Elected Member)

moved that "ordinarily" be inserted before "resident". This was accepted by Council.

Mr. Gregor (Dunbartonshire West) seconded by Dr. Currie (Ayrshire N.W.) moved that the motion be rejected.

Voting: For rejection of the motion ... 53
Against rejection 7

Mr. Gregor's motion being carried the amendment will not go forward from the Executive Council to the A.G.M.

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OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Clement (Northern Virginia) requested that overseas Branches with representation at Council should receive sub-committee minutes in addition to the Executive Council Minutes. The Secretary said that the present position was that Branches (both Home and Overseas) who had representatives on the Council received only the Executive Council Minutes; those who had no representative received Executive Council and Sub-Committee Minutes; all representatives received the full set of Minutes. She felt that it would be better if all Branches received the full set of Minutes irrespective of whether they had a representative at Council or not. Council decided unanimously that all Branches should receive both Executive Council and Sub-Committee Minutes.

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NEXT MEETING

16th August at St. Andrews

The meeting closed at 4.40 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

James Jaehol
10/8/88

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
HELD IN UNIVERSITY HALL, ST. ANDREWS, ON
SATURDAY, 16TH AUGUST, 1980, AT 2.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr. J. Taylor (in the Chair), Mrs. M. G. Parker, Mr. D. Macleod, Mrs. N. Dunn, Mr. R.H. Mackay, Miss A.B.W. Mann, Mrs. L. Barclay, Miss I.C. Paton, Mr. H. Barnes, Miss F.I. Galway, Mr. B. Frazer, Mr. D.A. Gray, Mrs. A. Murphy, Mrs. A. MacDougall, Mrs. J.O. Thomson, Mr. T. Leslie, Mr. R. Hunn, Mr. A. Boode, Mr. M.P. Stacey, Miss E.M.C. Ferguson, Mr. J.D.L. Gregor, Mrs. I. Cruickshanks, Miss M. Clark, Miss A.W. Miller, Mrs. H.T. Lisk, Mr. J.B. Keddie, Mrs. C.L.A. Brodie, Mrs. M. Campbell, Miss M.M. Ross, Mrs. W.J. Wadsworth, Mr. D.C. Evans, Miss C. Wyper, Mrs. R. Needham, Mr. G. Mechan, Mrs. M.I. Linklater-Shirras, Miss A. Allan, Miss N.J. Arnott, Mrs. J. Hamilton, Gp.Capt. J.D.S. Huxley, Miss D.A. Hollinsworth, Mr. J. Laurie, Mrs. J.H. Sandilands, Miss H. Winton, Dr. R. Hambleton, Mrs. D.R. Warburton, Mrs. J. Docherty, Mr. J.C. Douglas, Mr. W. Clement, Miss I. Mundie, Miss B.A. Nairn, Mrs. J. Balfour, Mrs. M.C. Gudger, Miss H. Hargrave, Mrs. M. Harris, Miss I. Redford, Mrs. Fowler, Mr. J. Hutton, Mr. C. S. Hilton, Mr. W.A. Gray, Miss J.C.G. Bowie, Miss F. Martin, Mr. G. Burnett, Mrs. G.D. Muir, Mrs. M. Murray, Miss M.Y.K. Cunningham, Miss M. H. Anderson

ATTENDING: Miss M. M. Gibson (Secretary)

EC80/36 APOLOGIES

Mrs. M. Corson, Miss I. Elliot, Miss L.C. Martin, Mrs. F. Inglis, Miss MacCormick, Mrs. Gaul, Mr. Galley, Mr. Greenyer, Miss Gardiner-Jones, Mrs. Wass, Miss D.M. Vaughan.

EC80/37 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting on 10th May, 1980 were approved.

EC80/38 BUSINESS ARISING

EC80/5(b): The Chairman reported that the Christmas Cards were now available and that the posters were in process of being printed. The Children's badges were also available now.

EC80/39 MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(a) Examinations Committee

The Minutes of the Meeting on 17th May were approved. In reply to a query from Mr. Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne) it was confirmed that no spectators should be present during an examination.

(b) Finance Committee

The Minutes of the Meeting on 2nd August, 1980 were approved.

F80/34 - The David Finlay Trophy: The representative from Dundee Branch confirmed that the Branch was accepting the rose bowl and intended to use it as a trophy for children's festivals.

EC80/40 BRANCH CONSTITUTIONS

Amendments to the Constitutions of the following Branches were approved:-

- (a) New Zealand
- (b) Washington
- (c) Western Australia

EC80/41 APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION

The following applications for affiliation were approved:

- (a) FAO Scottish Dancing Group, Rome
- (b) Sidcup & District Caledonian Association, Kent
- (c) Shene Scottish Country Dance Group, London
- (d) Cape Town Caledonian Society (South Africa)
- (e) Augusta S.C.D. Group, Georgia
- (f) Isle of Thanet S.C. Dancers (Kent)
- (g) Polycarp Dancers (Denmark)
- (h) Braemar S.C. Dance Club, New Zealand
- (i) Rochester S.C. Dancers (N.Y. State) (subject to receipt of supporting letter from Buffalo Branch)

EC80/42 OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Mr. Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne) suggested that the range of accessories should include shoe bags with a space for the owner's name. The Chairman said that the matter was already in hand and enquiries were being made regarding this matter.
- (b) The Chairman recorded his own and the Society's appreciation of the excellent work done by Mr. Macleod as Director of Summer School and said that another very successful School had been concluded.
- (c) Mr. Leslie (Croydon Branch) said the tapes prepared for the Preliminary Examination dances were unsatisfactory. Mr. Macleod said that he had used the tape with satisfactory results; it was not intended as a professional effort which would have been uneconomic but in view of the complaint from Croydon Branch which had been received some time ago, the tape had gone to a professional studio to see if a better tape could be produced.
- (d) The Chairman was asked to convey to Miss Vaughan, the Treasurer, the greetings and good wishes of the Council, when he visited her in hospital next week.
- (e) Mrs. Brodie intimated Edinburgh Branch's appreciation of the support given by the Executive Council in respect of the reception for Miss Allie Anderson.
- (f) Mr. Boode (Delft) suggested that a tape should be produced for ladies' step dancing but Mr. Macleod felt this would not be feasible since teachers often produced their own dances and it would be difficult to produce economically a sufficient variety of suitable tapes.

EC80/43 NEXT MEETING

15th November, 1980.

The meeting closed at 2.45 p.m.

James Taylor

*15/11/80.
Chairman*

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
HELD AT 33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH, ON
SATURDAY, 15TH NOVEMBER, 1980, AT 2.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr J Taylor (in the Chair), Mrs M G Parker (Vice-Chairman)
Mr A S Aitkenhead, Mrs N Dunn, Miss I Elliot, Mr W J Ireland
Mr R Mackay, Miss L C Martin, Mrs L Barclay, Mr I G R Zobel,
Miss I Paton, Dr L R Currie, Mrs J Bain, Miss F I Galway, Mr B Frazer,
Miss A C Lee, Mr L Galley, Mr D A Gray, Mrs A MacDougall, Mrs B Wass,
Mrs J O Thomson, Mr T Leslie, Mr R Hunn, Mr A Boode, Miss E M C Ferguson,
Mrs M C McIntosh, Mrs I C Cruickshanks, Miss M Clark, Miss A N Miller,
Mr T L Thomson, Mr G C Bell, Miss F MacCormick, Miss M M Ross,
Mrs W J Wadsworth, Mr D C Evans, Miss K Andersson, Miss G Wyper,
Mrs L Gaul, Mr G Mechan, Mrs F Inglis, Mrs M Linklater Shirras,
Miss A Allan, Miss N J Arnott, Mrs J Hamilton, Mrs E Stoddart,
Gp. Capt. J D S Huxley, Mrs J M Taylor, Mr J Laurie, Mrs J Sandilands,
Mr R Warburton, Mr J C Douglas, Mr W Clement, Miss I Mundie,
Miss B A Nairn, Mrs S Porter, Mr B Campbell, Mrs J Balfour, Mr A G Lee,
Mrs M C Gudger, Mrs J Hewart, Mr J Soahill, Miss I Redford, Mr C S Hilton,
Mr W A Gray, Miss J C G Bowie, Miss P Martin, Mr T Steele, Mrs G Muir,
Miss M Y K Cunningham, Mrs M Corson, Mr M Brown, Mr D Macleod,
Mr H Thompson.

ATTENDING: Miss M M Gibson (Secretary)

Before starting the meeting the Chairman asked that no tape recordings should be made of the proceedings.

EC/80/44 APOLOGIES

Miss M H Anderson, Miss H Gardiner-Jones, Mr A Greenyer, Dr I Hall,
Mr W Hamilton, Miss D A Hollingworth, Mr T G Leggat, Mrs H T Lisk,
Mrs A Murphy, Mrs M Stacey, Mr H van Zon, Miss D M Vaughan (Treasurer)

EC80/45 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting on 16th August were approved.

EC80/46 BUSINESS ARISING

EC80/38: The Chairman announced that the posters were now available and that a sample copy had gone to every Branch.

EC80/47 MINUTES OF SUB COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(a) Summer School Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 23rd August.

Referring to Minute SS80/5 the Chairman said that the 50th Summer School in 1981 will not be celebrated as a Jubilee as we are having a disturbed year in so far as residences are concerned; as we would have our 50th Year in St Andrews in 1982 a jubilee would be celebrated then.

The Minutes were approved.

(b) Publications and Research Committee

Minutes of the Meeting on 20th September, 1980.

- I The Chairman reminded members that the Film Ball was being held on 21st November and Mr Macleod said that to date 190 tickets had been taken up.
- II Mr Taylor said that the Committee were still looking for dances suitable for children and urged members who knew of suitable dances to send them in.

III /

III Mr Frazer (Berks, Hants, Surrey Border Branch), welcoming the Society's decision to publish modern devised dances from time to time, asked what criteria were used in selection. Mr Macleod said that dances which had already been published by other organisations were not generally acceptable and that the Committee in selecting dances were guided by the social acceptability; it was difficult to be more specific. On occasions a dance might be accepted for demonstration purposes. The Committee had to estimate whether or not a dance will be successful.

IV Mr Clement (Northern Virginia) commented on the proposed mixture of new and traditional dances in the Children's Book.

V Mr Boode (Delft Branch) asked if it was planned to produce a record for the leaflet dances. The Chairman said it was not the intention to make records for the leaflet dances but the Publications Committee might like to consider making a record for the most popular and asked that Committee to note the comment.

VI Replying to Mr Mechan (Hawaii Branch) the Chairman said he was endeavouring to keep down the cost of the film and that it was hoped to have copies for sale. Answering Miss Martin (Elected Member) Mr Macleod (Convener Publications Committee) said that the original intention was that it should be a teaching film but it was now a combination of teaching and historical information.

VII In reply to Mr Brown (York and North Humberside Branch) Mr Macleod said the last filming would take place on 21st November and the film would be completed as soon as possible after that date.

The Minutes were approved.

(c) The Examinations Committee

Minutes of the Meeting on 20th September, 1980.

(i) The Chairman informed the meeting that the tapes for the examination dances had been recorded on 4th November and should be available shortly.

(ii) Mrs Gudger (Rochdale Branch) asked what the Committee's policy was regarding sending examiners overseas. Since the Convener, Miss Anderson, was not present, the Chairman explained that selections were made by majority decisions of the Committee.

(iii) Mr Brown (York and North Humberside) asked how many examiners the Society had; the Chairman thought around 36. (This has since been confirmed as 30.)

The Chairman thanked those examiners who had been overseas recently - Miss Arnott, Mr Aitkenhead and Miss Martin.

The Minutes were approved.

(d) General Purposes Committee

Minutes of the Meeting on 25th October, 1980.

(i) The Chairman drew attention to Minute GP80/27 where it was stated that the AGM would not now be held in Elgin in 1982. Three Branches had offered to host the A.G.M. then - Dundee (instead of in 1985), Dumbartonshire West and Stirling. Voting was to have the A.G.M. in 1982 in Dundee and the Dumbartonshire West representative was asked to ascertain if her Branch would host the A.G.M. in 1985 now that Dundee had transferred to 1982.

Mrs Barclay (Aberdeen Branch) referring to GP80/28 asked what advice would be given to Branches hosting A.G.Ms. The Chairman said he was having an informal meeting on 13th December with some Branch officials to discuss the problems inherent in hosting AGMs including the distribution of tickets for social events.

(ii) /

- (ii) Council considered Minute GP80/30 and accepted the recommendations from the General Purposes Committee regarding economies in meetings with the proviso that if a Convener felt that it was necessary to have further sub committee meetings he/she could so arrange.
- (iii) Dr Currie moved and it was duly seconded that Council give powers to the General Purposes Committee to approve Group affiliations, Branch Constitutions and amendments thereto, and Branch Formations, on the understanding that if there were any dubiety about any of these matters the Committee would not give approval or would remit the matter to the Executive Council for decision. The motion was approved.
- (iv) Mr Boode (Delft Branch) said his Branch knew nothing of a Teachers' Association in Europe mentioned at GP80/29. The Chairman said that the matter would lie on the table pending further information and further discussion by the General Purposes Committee.

The Minutes were approved.

(e) Finance Committee

Minutes of the Meeting on 25th October, 1980.

- (i) The Chairman drew the attention of the meeting to the acquisition by the Society of 300 Jim MacLeod records made for the Society's Jubilee. These were now available from Headquarters.
- (ii) Mrs Linklater-Shirras (Inverness Branch) asked if anything further had been ascertained regarding insurance of contents of halls; Mr Taylor said the insurance representative had not yet called at Headquarters.
- (iii) Replying to Mr J Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne Branch) the Chairman confirmed that the insurance company had settled the burglary claim to our satisfaction.
- (iv) Mr Boode asked what the general rule was regarding demonstrations undertaken by a Branch; Mr Taylor said that a Branch applying for financial aid should do so before the event.
- (v) A suggestion was made that Day Schools should be organised for the smaller and less active Branches. Mr Taylor said this had been done in the case of Lochaber with disappointing results but Mrs Taylor (Lochaber Branch) felt that the day course had done good and that they were hoping to do better from now on.

The Minutes were approved.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 1980/81

Before starting elections the Chairman informed representatives of additions to the list already in their hands of Branch Representatives for 1980/81, viz:

- Bournemouth Mr D A Gray Herefordshire... Mrs F Inglis
- Castle Douglas.. Mrs B Wass York and North
- Detroit Mr W Hamilton Humberside Mr M Brown

(a) Finance Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

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- Miss J G Bowie (Stirlingshire)
- Miss M Clark (Dunfermline)
- Miss F I Galway (Belfast)
- Gp Capt J D S Huxley (Leamington Spa)
- Miss A W Miller (Duns & District)
- Miss B A Nairn (Perth & Perthshire)
- Miss M M Ross (Forres)

Mr J Taylor was duly elected Convener

(b) General Purposes Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman and Convener), Mrs M G Parkor (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mr G Bell (Edinburgh)
- Mrs M Corson (Winnipeg)
- Mr J Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne)
- Mrs N Dunn (Elected Member)
- Mrs L Gaul (Hamilton Ontario)
- Mr W A Gray (South Wales)
- Mr J Laurie (London)
- Mrs A Murphy (Carlisle & Border)
- Miss I Redford (St Andrews)
- Mrs J Thomson (Clackmannanshire)

(c) Examinations Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss M H Anderson (T.A.C.)
- Miss N J Arnott (Kirkcaldy)
- Miss L C Martin (Elected Member)
- Mr G Meehan (Hawaii)
- Mrs W Wadsworth (Gatehouse of Fleet)

Miss M H Anderson was duly elected Convener

(d) Publications and Research Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mr W Clement (Northern Virginia)
- Miss I Elliot (Glasgow)
- Mrs M C Gudger (Rochdale)
- Mr R Mackay (Edinburgh) *Elected Member*
- Mr D Macleod (Director of Summer School)

Mr Macleod was duly elected Convener

(e) Summer School Committee

Mr D Macleod (Director of Summer School and Convener), Mr J Taylor (Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Vice Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mr A S Aitkenhead (Elected Member)
- Mrs L Barclay (Aberdeen)
- Mr W J Ireland (Elected Member)
- Miss I Redford (St Andrews)

EX80/49 TIMETABLE FOR MEETINGS (1981 unless otherwise stated).

Dates and times for Committee Meetings were decided as follows:

(a) Executive Council : At 2 p.m.

30th May (Edinburgh)
28th November (Edinburgh)

(b) Finance Committee : At 2 p.m.

17th January (Edinburgh)
25th April (Edinburgh)
1st August (St Andrews)
24th October (Edinburgh)

(c) General Purposes Committee : At 11 a.m.

17th January (Edinburgh)
25th April (Edinburgh)
24th October (Edinburgh)

(d) Examinations Committee : At 10.30 a.m.

7th March (Edinburgh)
30th May (Edinburgh)

(e) Publications & Research Committee : At 10.30 a.m.

29th November 1980 (Edinburgh)
7th March (Edinburgh) - At 2 p.m.
16th May (Edinburgh)
19th September (Edinburgh)

(f) Summer School Committee : At 5 p.m.

15th November 1980 (Edinburgh)

(g) Annual General Meeting : At 2.30 p.m.

14th November (Dumfries)

EX80/50 BRANCH CONSTITUTIONS

The following Branch Constitutions were approved:

- (a) Gothenburg
- (b) San Francisco (amendments)
- (c) TAC (amendments)

EX80/51 BRANCH FORMATIONS

Applications by the following groups for permission to form a Branch were approved:

- Sacramento S.C. Dance Society Sacramento Branch
- Phoenix S.C. Dancers Phoenix Branch

EX80/52 APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION

The following applications for affiliation were approved:

- (a) Tri City Scottish Country Dance Group (Tempe Arizona)
- (b) Beckermat Scottish Country Dance Club (Carlisle)
- (c) London C.H.A. Club S.C. Dancing Group (London)
- (d) Langholm Country Dance Class (Dumfriesshire)
- (e) Woods Hole S.C. Dance Society (Mass. U.S.A.)

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Mrs J. G. Boyle
Miss M. Dick
Miss V. I. Galloway
Mr. Capt. J. D. Haining
Miss A. W. Miller
Miss H. A. Payne
Miss N. R. Ross

Mr J Taylor was duly elected Governor

(b) General Purposes Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman and Governor), Mrs H. D. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been proposed and seconded:

Mr D Bell
Mrs M. Gordon
Mr J. Hocking
Mrs B. Gunn
Mrs J. Galt
Mr W. A. Gray
Mr J. Haining
Mrs J. Haining
Miss I. Haining
Mrs J. Haining

(c) Examinations Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman), Mrs H. D. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been proposed and seconded:

Miss M. J. Anderson
Miss H. J. Anderson
Miss J. D. Anderson
Mr B. Anderson
Mrs J. Anderson

Miss H. W. Anderson was duly elected Governor

(d) Publications and Research Committee

Mr J Taylor (Chairman), Mrs H. D. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been proposed and seconded:

Mr M. Anderson
Miss I. Anderson
Mrs H. D. Anderson
Mr B. Anderson
Mrs J. Anderson

Mr J Taylor was duly elected Governor

(e) Summer School Committee

Mr B. Anderson (Chairman), Mrs H. D. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been proposed and seconded:

Mr J. Anderson
Mrs J. Anderson
Mrs H. D. Anderson
Mr B. Anderson
Mrs J. Anderson

EX80/53 OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Mr Ireland (Elected Member) suggested that the Constitution should be re-written. The Chairman said that he hoped we could keep the Constitution without further amendments for at least two years and the general feeling of the meeting was that it should be left for the time being.
- (b) Mr Mechan (Hawaii) recommended that where there were two examiners in an overseas country they should be authorised to take examinations.
- (c) Mrs Wase (Castle Douglas) suggested that representatives should wear name badges at Executive Meetings; Miss Galway (Belfast) thought it would be useful for Executive Council representatives to wear name badges at the A.G.M. and Mr Frazor (Berks, Hants, Surrey Border Branch) suggested that at the first meeting of a new Executive representatives might stand up and identify themselves.
- (d) Dr Currie (Ayrshire N.W.) suggested that it might be a good idea at the beginning of next season to have advertisements put on STV, Borders and Grampian Television and it might even be possible to have the new film used on these channels which would be good publicity for the Society.
- (e) Mr Ireland (Elected Member) suggested reintroducing 'Any other Business' at the A.G.M. to give members an opportunity of exchange of views. Mrs Parker (Vice Chairman) said that for a long time there had been an open forum but it had not proved a success and she doubted if it should be revived.
- (f) Mrs Linklater Shirras (Inverness) suggested that it would be useful for members if the opening hours of HQ could be included in the Bulletin. The Secretary noted the request.

EX80/54 NEXT MEETING

30th May in Edinburgh

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Chair, at 4.30 p.m.

James Taylor
 Chairman
 25/5/81.

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL
HELD IN THE NEW ATHOLL RESTAURANT, EDINBURGH, ON
SATURDAY, 30TH MAY, 1981, AT 2.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr. J. Taylor (in the Chair), Mrs. N. Dunn, Miss I. Elliott, Mr. W.J. Ireland, Miss L.C. Martin, Mrs. L. Barclay, Mr. I.G.R. Zobel, Miss I. Paton, Mrs. J. Bain, Miss F.I. Galway, Miss A.C. Lee, Mr. I. Galley, Mr. D.A. Gray, Mrs. J. Burnie, Mrs. A. Murphy, Mrs. A. MacDougall, Mrs. J.O. Thomson, Mr. T. Leslie, Mr. R. Hunn, Mr. A. Boode, Mrs. J. L. Muir, Miss E.M.C. Ferguson, Mrs. M.C. McIntosh, Mrs. I.C. Cruickshanks, Miss M. Clark, Miss A.W. Miller, Mrs. H.T. Lisk, Mr. T.L. Thomson, Mr. Graham C. Bell, Mrs. M. S. Baikie, Miss M.M. Ross, Mrs. W.J. Wadsworth, Mr. D.C. Evans, Miss G. Wyper, Mrs. L. Gaul, Mr. G. Mechan, Mrs. F. Inglis, Mrs. M. Linklater-Shirras, Miss A. Allan, Miss N. J. Arnott, Mrs. J. Hamilton, Mrs. E. Stoddart, Gp. Capt. J.D.S. Huxley, Miss A. Hollingworth, Mrs. J.M. Taylor, Mr. J. Laurie, Mrs. J. Sandilands, Dr. I.M. Hall, Mrs. H. Warburton, Mr. J.C. Hair, Mr. J.C. Douglas, Mr. W. Clement, Miss I. Mundie, Miss B.A. Nairn, Mr. B. Campbell, Mrs. J. Balfour, Mr. R. Turnbull, Mrs. M.C. Gudger, Mrs. J. Hewat, Mr. J. Scahill, Mrs. I. Bennett, Mr. C.S. Hilton, Miss J.C.G. Bowie, Miss F. Martin, Mr. H. Thompson, Mr. G. Burnett, Mr. T. Steele, Mrs. G. Muir, Miss M.Y.K. Cunningham, Mrs. M. Corson, Miss M. Whitaker, Miss M.H. Anderson

ATTENDING: Miss M. M. Gibson (Secretary).

EC81/1 APOLOGIES

Mrs. Parker, Mr. Aitkenhead, Dr. Currie, Mr. Frazer, Mr. W.A. Gray, Mr. Greenyer, Mr. Hamilton, Mr. Leggat, Mr. Macleod, Mr. Mackay, Mrs. Moore, Mr. Gillam, Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Wass, Mr. Van Zon.

EC81/2 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting on 15th November, 1980, were approved.

EC81/3 BUSINESS ARISING

- (a) EC80/47(b)(v): The Chairman announced that a record had been produced with music for the leaflet dances published last year and those published this year.
- (b) EC80/47(c)(i): Tapes of music for the examination dances were now available and Mr. Taylor said the recording had been made by Robert Mackay (Pianist).
- (c) EC80/47(d)(i): Dunbartonshire West Branch had intimated their willingness to host the 1985 A.G.M. This offer was accepted by Council with pleasure.

The Chairman also intimated that a meeting had been held of members from Branches which had had experience of hosting the A.G.M. after which advice for host Branches had been drafted and approved by the General Purposes Committee. Branches hosting A.G.Ms would have the information sent to them and Branches who might be considering whether to host or not could obtain a copy of the advice from H.Q.

EC81/4 MINUTES OF SUB-COMMITTEES

(a) Summer School Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 15th November, 1980.

The Chairman drew attention to the decision to advise members attending Summer School to make their own arrangements for insurance against cancellation. He also said that while we had not yet succeeded in having the courses starting on a Saturday, he hoped to have further talks with the University authorities during Summer School this year. Mr. D.A. Gray (Bournemouth), referring to SS80/15, second paragraph, asked if it was intended to retain demonstrations of Men's Highland Dancing in the Younger Hall programmes; the Chairman said that this was a matter for the Director of Summer School. The Minutes were approved unanimously.

(b) Finance Committee

(1) Minutes of Meeting on 17th January, 1981.

The Minutes had already been approved in sub-committee and Council now accepted them. Commenting on the Minutes, the Chairman informed Council that the thieves responsible for the two burglaries had been apprehended; a burglar alarm was being installed which would satisfy the Insurance Company. The rent for the basement had been increased by £200 p.a. As the Bulletin was very expensive to produce, a slightly smaller size would be adopted to effect economy.

Mr. Taylor drew attention to the availability of shoebags, produced in plastic as those made from cloth would have been prohibitive in price; he also said that a cookery book, compiled for the Society by Mrs. Stoker would be on sale in the summer; to enable the purchase of a quantity sufficient to keep the price below £1, London Branch had undertaken to take 500 (with a special discount).

Referring to the buffet lunch prior to the meeting, the Chairman said that it was hoped to hold this function annually before the first Council meeting after the A.G.M. in order that newly appointed representatives could become acquainted with everyone else.

Mrs. Dunn (Elected Member) asked why it had been decided to drop diaries from the list of accessories; the Secretary said that during the two years they had been available, large stocks were left unsold and as they were dated, had to be thrown out. It was therefore uneconomic to continue with diaries.

Mr. Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne and District) asked if the percentage discount on accessories could be reviewed with a view to increasing it. The Chairman said this would be remitted to the Finance Committee but pointed out that any increase in discount would increase the retail price to members.

Mr. Boode (Delft) asked if the suggestion at F81/14(b)(i) had yet been considered (i.e. 5 year membership). The Chairman said it had not yet been discussed but would be before the next Finance Committee meeting.

Mr. Zobel (Atlanta) asked if the Society's charitable status would apply to Branches so far as being absolved from Bank Charges were concerned. The Chairman said that it should.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 25th April, 1981.

The Minutes were approved. The Chairman pointed out that a great deal of work had gone into a revision of the insurance for the building, contents and stock. He asked that the amount for which the building was insured should not be confused with the value of the building; the figure covered by insurance was the cost of replacing the building should it be destroyed by fire, etc.

Mr. Taylor also drew attention to the increased allowances for travel, etc. for representatives and committee members, effective from 1st July, and said the rates would be periodically reviewed.

(c) General Purposes Committee

(i) Minutes of the Meeting on 17th January, 1981.

The Minutes had been approved in sub-committee and were now accepted by Council.

Council noted that approval had been given to the following affiliations:

- Bergen Scottish Dancing Club (Norway)
 - Scotsraig Scottish Country Dance Group, Melbourne
 - Paisley Monday Class, Renfrewshire
- and that approval had been given to the Halifax-Dartmouth Group to endeavour to form a Branch. The Secretary confirmed that the Branch had been formed.

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EC81/4 (c) General Purposes Committee (contd)

(ii) Minutes of the Meeting on 25th April, 1981.

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Council noted that affiliations had been approved for the following groups:

- Glasgow University Scottish Country Dance Club
- Chicago Country Dancers
- Grimsby and District Caledonian Dance Class
- Swindon Scottish Country Dance Class (Wilts)
- Oslo Scottish Country Dance Group
- Godmersham Reel Club
- Basingstoke S.C.D. Club

and that approval had been given to endeavour to form Branches in the case of the following:

- Medicine Hat S.C.D. Group
- Central Kentucky S.C.D. Society
- Peterborough and District Group

The Secretary confirmed that Peterborough and District Branch had been formed.

(d) Examinations Committee

(i) Minutes of the Meeting on 7th March, 1981.

Referring to the draft of the syllabuses for the examinations, Mr. Thompson (San Francisco) said that a consequence of HQ sending out results of examinations to overseas candidates, was that results did not arrive at the same time and he proposed that the North American individual results be sent to the Branch Secretaries (as formerly) for onward transmission to those concerned. This was agreed.

Mr. Boode (Delft) was concerned that candidates at Summer School should have their 30 hours of training clearly defined in the timetable. The Chairman said this would be drawn to the attention of the Director of Summer School.

The drafts of the qualifications and conditions of entry and syllabuses for the Society's two examinations were approved by an overwhelming majority.

Miss Anderson (Convener of the Examinations Committee) expressed her thanks to examiners for their scrutiny of the drafts and for their suggestions.

The Minutes had been approved in sub-committee and were now accepted by Council.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 2nd May, 1981.

The Chairman drew attention to Minute EX81/12 in respect of adjudicators; he would ask the Finance Committee to consider paying paying travel expenses of potential adjudicators attending the proposed course. Council decided that the Adjudicators' Course should take place in March or April, 1982.

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Mr. Thompson (San Francisco) asked if thought had been given to provision for overseas potential examiners and their attendance at Summer School. The Chairman said the matter had been considered some three years ago and he had been given to understand by the TAC that North America wished to have examiners from Scotland.

The Minutes were approved.

(b) Finance Committee

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(e) Publications and Research Committee

- (i) Minutes of Meeting on 29th November, 1980.
The Minutes having been approved in sub-committee, were accepted by Council.
- (ii) Minutes of Meeting on 31st January, 1981.
Mrs. Wadsworth (Gatehouse of Fleet), referring to PR81/5(f) considered that the Publications Committee should not devote time to producing rulings such as that set out in the Minute. Miss Anderson (TAC) and Mr. Burnett (Toronto) agreed that the TAC wanted to have dances taught in the correct way and if they applied to HQ advice had to be given. Mr. Thompson (San Francisco) said that the point at issue was to what part of the Society such questions should be directed. The Chairman stated that the matter correctly went to the Publications Committee. The Minutes, approved in sub-committee, were accepted.
- (iii) Minutes of Meeting on 21st February, 1981
The Minutes, approved in sub-committee, were accepted.
- (iv) Minutes of Meeting on 7th March, 1981
The Minutes approved in sub-committee were accepted.
- (v) Minutes of Meeting on 16th May, 1981.

The Chairman said that he understood that the film being produced at Jordanhill College for the Society would be available at Summer School.

Mr. Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne) suggested that the Children's Book should be included in the alternative subscription copies available for multiple member households. This was agreed.

Referring to PR81/29 Miss Anderson (TAC) asked that any advice or information given by Mr. Macleod to Mr. Douglas of Ontario regarding the Buchan Eightsome should be made known for the benefit of teachers generally.

Mr. Laurie (London) pointed out that the Society was being inconsistent in using the tune 'Johnnie McGill' for one of the dances in the Children's Book, when it had already been used for previously published dances. Miss Martin (Elected Member) supported his objection and Council agreed that this should be remitted back to the Publications Committee to select another tune.

Referring to PR81/26, Mr. Boode (Delft) moved that the Society should make one record per book, though not necessarily in numerical order. He was seconded by Mr. Hunn (Delaware Valley) and Council agreed to this but left the choice of book to the Publications Committee.

The Minutes were approved with Council having altered decisions as above.

EC81/5 APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION.

Applications for affiliation were approved from the following groups:

- The Birch Scottish Country Dance Society (Hereford)
- Bradford Reel Club
- Tallahassee S.C. Dancers (Florida)
- Budlet Folk Dance Club (Hong Kong)

EC81/6 OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Miss Galway (Belfast) had great objections to the way Strip the Willow was recorded on RSCDS 6 but other members favoured it.
- (b) Mr. Zobel (Atlanta) considered that the Constitution of the Society made insufficient provision of juniors who in many cases were taught outwith the Society. He asked that the matter be discussed at the next Council meeting. It appeared that conditions varied from area to area with local authorities being helpful in some cases (e.g. Lochaber) and not in others (e.g. Lorn, Argyll) Branched had different methods of approach also. The Chairman said that we must

(a) General Purposes Committee

(i) Minutes of the Meeting on 29th Nov, 1980.

The Minutes were approved with the alteration of 'Branch' in PR81/10(a), last year.

Council noted that applications had been approved for the following groups:

- Glasgow University Scottish Country Dance Club
- Chicago Country Dancers
- Grimsby and Districts Delishian Dance Club
- Swindon Scottish Country Dance Club (Miss)
- Oslo Scottish Country Dance Group
- Godmerham Reel Club
- Bainbridge S.C.D. Club

and that approval had been given to continue to form branches in the case of the following:

- Hedden Hill S.C.D. Group
- Central Norfolk S.C.D. Society
- Peterborough and District Group

The Secretary confirmed that Peterborough and District Branch had been formed.

(ii) Publications Committee

(1) Minutes of the Meeting on 7th March, 1981.

Referring to the draft of the minutes for the committee, Mr. Thompson (San Francisco) said that a comparison of the minutes of the committee in previous years had shown that the minutes did not arrive at the time they had to be sent to the Council. Mr. Thompson suggested that the minutes should be sent to the Council as soon as possible. The Chairman agreed to this suggestion.

Mr. Boode (Delft) was thanked for his contribution to the minutes. He suggested that the minutes should be sent to the Council as soon as possible. The Chairman agreed to this suggestion.

The draft of the minutes and the committee's recommendations were approved by an overwhelming majority.

Miss Anderson (TAC) moved that the minutes be sent to the Council as soon as possible. The Chairman agreed to this suggestion.

The minutes had been approved by the committee and accepted by Council.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 29th Nov, 1980.

The Chairman drew attention to the fact that the minutes of the committee had not been sent to the Council as soon as possible. He suggested that the minutes should be sent to the Council as soon as possible. The Chairman agreed to this suggestion.

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The Minutes were approved.

remember that we are an adult Society but agreed to put the matter to the General Purposes Committee for consideration. Mr. Zobel was asked to put forward his suggestions for the Committee's information and the Chairman invited any other interested members to do likewise.

(c) Mr. Taylor welcomed home Miss Arnott (Kirkcaldy) from the examination tour of North America. Miss Arnott then gave a brief account of the intensive tour undertaken by herself and Miss Margaret McLaren. On behalf of the Council Mr. Taylor thanked Miss Arnott and Miss McLaren and congratulated them on a successful trip.

(d) A.G.M. - The Chairman reminded representatives that items for the A.G.M. Agenda must reach Headquarters by 30th June.

He also reminded representatives that if a Branch wished to have something discussed by the Executive Council they should inform the Secretary not less than four weeks prior to the date of the meeting.

EC81/9 NEXT MEETING

28th November, 1981.

In closing the meeting Mr. Taylor thanked the representatives for 1980/81 for the work they had put in on behalf of the Society.

The meeting closed at 4.21 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

James Taylor
28/11/81

(v) Publications and Research Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 20th November, 1981

The Minutes having been approved in sub-committee, were approved by Council.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 21st January, 1982

Mrs. Wainwright (Chairman of Sub-Committee), returning to the Committee considered that the Publications Committee should not devote time to producing things such as that set out in the Minutes. Miss Anderson (YAG) and Mr. Barrett (Toronto) agreed that they would have to have a meeting in the coming year and if they applied to the Council for advice and to be given. Mr. Thompson (Edinburgh) said that the point at issue was in what way of the Society such questions should be directed. The Chairman said that the matter was for the Publications Committee. The Minutes, approved in sub-committee, were accepted.

(iii) Minutes of Meeting on 21st February, 1982

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(iv) Minutes of Meeting on 7th March, 1982

The Minutes approved in sub-committee were accepted.

(v) Minutes of Meeting on 18th May, 1982

The Chairman said that he understood that the film being produced at Edinburgh College for the Society would be available at Easter 1982.

Mr. Douglas (Secretary) suggested that the Chairman's book should be included in the literature advertisement available for multiple member purchases. This was agreed.

Referring to Mrs. Anderson's (YAG) letter that any information given by her, related to Mr. Douglas of Glasgow regarding the British Signpost should be sent to the benefit of the Society generally.

Mr. Laurie (London) pointed out that the Society was being inconsistent in using the name 'Journal Club' for one of its functions in the Chairman's book, when it had already been previously published elsewhere. Miss Harris (London) supported his objection and Council agreed that this should be returned back to the Publications Committee to consider. Referring to Mrs. Anderson's (YAG) letter that the book should make one record per book, though not necessarily in numerical order. It was agreed by Mr. Thompson (Edinburgh) and Council agreed to this but left the matter at least to the Publications Committee.

The Minutes were approved with Council agreed to amend the Minutes as above.

APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION

Applications for affiliation were approved from the following groups:

- The Birch Scottish Country Dance Society (London)
- Bradford Gael Club
- Taliskanner S.C. (London, Epsom)
- British Folk Dance Club (Hong Kong)

OTHER MATTERS

(a) Mrs. Galway's letter in objection to the way that the Minutes are recorded on pages 5 and 6 but other matters referred to.

(b) Mr. Zobel (Atlanta) explained that the Constitution of the Society and insufficient provision of members who in any case were not outside the Society. He asked that the matter be discussed at the next Council meeting. It appeared that sufficient notice had been given to Mrs. Galway's letter in case of a meeting. The Chairman said that we were different words of approach. The Chairman said that we were

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SATURDAY, 28TH NOVEMBER, 1981, AT 2.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr. J. Taylor (in the Chair), Mrs. M.G. Parker (Vice-Chairman),
Mr. D. Macleod, Mr. J. Drewry, Miss F.H. Adams, Mr. A.S. Aitkenhead,
Miss A.B.W. Mann, Mr. W.J. Ireland, Miss G.E. McDonald, Mrs. E. Lindsay,
Mr. I.G.R. Zobel, Miss I.C. Paton, Mrs. D. Johnstone, Mrs. J. Bain,
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Mrs. A. Murphy, Mrs. A. McDougall, Mrs. B. Wass, Mrs. J.O. Thomson,
Mr. T.J. Leslie, Mr. J. Hutton, Mr. A. Boode, Mr. W. Hamilton,
Mrs. M.P. Stacey, Miss E.M.C. Ferguson, Mrs. M.C. McIntosh,
Mrs. I.C. Cruickshanks, Miss M. Clark, Miss A.W. Miller, Mr. L. Thomson,
Miss M. Brown, Mrs. M.S. Baikie, Miss M.M. Ross, Mrs. W.J. Wadsworth,
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Mrs. E. Stoddart, Gp. Capt. D.S. Huxley, Mr. Kendall, Mrs. J. Taylor,
Mrs. H.H. Sandilands, Dr. I.M. Hall, Mr. D.R. Warburton, Mr. J.C. Douglas,
Dr. Frew, Mr. W. Clement, Miss I. Mundie, Mr. G. Davie, Miss B.A. Nairn,
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Miss I. Bennett, Mr. J. Fyfe, Mr. C.S. Hilton, Mr. W.A. Gray, Miss J.C.G.
Bowie, Miss F. Martin, Mr. R.C. Sutherland, Mr. G. Burnett, Mr. T. Steele,
Miss A.M. Duffield, Mrs. M. Corson, Mrs. M. Morgan, Miss M.H. Anderson (81)

ATTENDING: Miss M. M. Gibson (Secretary)

Before starting the meeting the Chairman welcomed the new members to the Executive Council and hoped that they would find the work interesting. He also thanked Miss Ferguson, Chairman of Dumfries Branch, for the very efficient way the organisation of the AGM weekend was carried out and asked her to take back to the Branch the Executive Council's appreciation.

EC81/10 APOLOGIES

Mrs. F. Chew, Mr. D.A. Gray, Mr. A.S. Greenyer, Mr. A. Harrison,
Mr. T.G. Loggat, Mrs. H. Lisk, Mr. J. Laurie, Mr. C. Mackay,
Mr. R.H. Mackay, Miss N. Rintoul.

EC81/11 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting on 30th May were approved.

EC81/12 BUSINESS ARISING

- (a) EC81/41(c)(ii) Council noted that Medicine Hat and Central Kentucky Branches had been formed.
- (b) EC81/4(d)(i) Examination Results: The Secretary reported on discussions with the Tour Organiser for the examinations in North America and Council agreed that results should be sent not only to Branch Secretaries (as agreed in the Minute quoted) but also to the individuals and the teachers concerned. (This keeps the procedure in line with that in UK).
- (c) EC81/4(e)(v) Mr. Macleod said he had met the producer, Mr. Lavender, three or four weeks earlier and the film should be ready in December. If it required to be amended it would be ready not later than January.
- (d) EC81/4(e)(v) Mr. Macleod reported on his conversation with Mr. George Douglas of Canada in respect of the Buchan Eightsome. Mr. Douglas had queried the instructions regarding the hands to be used. Mr. Macleod had told him that the instructions were correct and the Buchan Eightsome should be danced as it appeared in Book 21.

881/13 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(a) Summer School Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 8th August, 1981

Miss Anderson (TAC) referring to SS81/5 second paragraph, and seconded by Mr. W. Hamilton (Detroit) moved that members of the Certificate Classes should not be used to M.C. social dancing, and Council unanimously so resolved.

Mr. Taylor reported that the Buchanan Theatre in St. Andrews had been reserved for a concert on 30th July and he hoped we would have a very fine programme to celebrate our 50th year in St. Andrews.

Mr. W.A. Gray (South Wales) requested more information regarding the one class for Highland Dancing. Mr. Macleod (Director Summer School) said that his own opinion was that two sessions would be sufficient to cover basic steps in a joint class and that they should take place in the afternoon and not cut into the morning. Mr. Clement (Northern Virginia) agreed with Mr. Macleod and he did not think a joint class was entirely satisfactory; Mr. Hutton (Delaware Valley) preferred the situation as it had been in the past.

The Minutes, with the alteration resulting from Miss Anderson's resolution, were unanimously ratified.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 31st October, 1981

Miss Martin (Stirlingshire East) referring to SS81/14 said the Society appeared to be forming another hierarchy and that the Director of Summer School had traditionally taught a class. She queried this departure from tradition. It was explained that with no classes the Director would be enabled to visit all classes at Summer School.

Mr. Zobel (Atlanta) suggested that a lecture on physiology might be included with advantage in the School curriculum.

In reply to Mrs. Corson (Winnipeg) Mr. Macleod confirmed that provision would be made to brief teachers who had to teach the new dances though he foresaw problems with questions from the floor during lessons.

The Minutes were approved.

(b) Publications and Research Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 19th September, 1981

Council noted in PR81/36(b) that "Miss J. Rose's Reel" had been substituted for "Come Under My Plaidie" and that under PR81/35(e) an addition had been made, viz. "vii Jean and Geoff (Hornpipe)" and under PR81/35(f) "ix" had been deleted and "(viii)" inserted.

The Chairman reported that it had not been possible to use the Hamefarers for the record for Book 2 (PR81/39). Mr. Ron Gonella had also been considered but the Committee had finally asked Bobby Crowe to record the music. Mr. Hamilton (Detroit) suggested that the Publications Committee might consider Mr. Ian Holmes for a future record.

Mr. Frazer (Berks, Hants, Surrey Border) suggested that the Publications Committee might like to publish errata to all the books where amendments were necessary. The Chairman said the matter would go to the Committee for consideration.

Miss Anderson (TAC) asked that when books were reissued with alterations the Examinations Committee be notified so that examiners could be informed of the changes.

Mrs. Taylor (Lochaber) wanted more background information about new dances when they were published; it was explained that it was Society policy to do so whenever possible but sometimes there was no information available.

The Minutes were ratified.

EC81/13 (b) Publications and Research Committee (contd)

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 31st October, 1981.

The Chairman drew attention to PR81/44 which listed the dances in the subscription copy for 1982. The Children's Book which would also be published in 1982 would not be the subscription copy; as decided previously by Council it would be available to multiple member households as an alternative choice.

Council noted in PR81/46 that it was expected to have Dr. Milligan's biography published for 1983.

The Minutes were approved.

(c) General Purposes Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 24th October, 1981

With the addition of the word "scroll" after "special in line 2 of GP81/29, the Minutes were approved.

Referring to the items under GP81/27, the Chairman said that owing to the delay in transit of films and cost of postage, etc. the Committee had decided to make copies of the new film available for use in Africa, Australasia, Europe and North America. It had also been decided to use the Memorial Fund interest to send a teacher to Ireland and to provide three scholarships for Affiliated Groups who would thus be assisted towards Branch status.

Replying to Mr. Campbell (Portrush) who said his Branch was very pleased to see a visit was imminent, the Chairman said:

- No Branch or Group in Ireland had requested the visit; it had been decided by the General Purposes Committee on his suggestion.
- Branches and Groups would be consulted as regards timing and he noted Mr. Campbell's suggestion that the start of the season in September might be appropriate.
- He noted that only Belfast had a pianist available.

Mr. Taylor also said that it was envisaged that a tour of the Far East might be financed from the Fund in 1983.

(d) Finance Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 1st August, 1981.

The Chairman informed Council that the cassette of music for the Children's Book was now available though the Book itself would not be ready till after the New Year.

Council was asked to note that potential adjudicators attending the course would be required themselves to pay travelling expenses (F81/41).

Mr. Boode (Delft) raised the question of the appropriation of £5,000 for publications, records and films, which, he felt, were self financing. The Chairman said the appropriation was necessary to give flexibility in the provision of these items.

The Minutes were ratified.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 24th October, 1981.

The Chairman, referring to £81/46(d) said that though the idea of a non-contributory pension scheme had been dropped our employees would be provided for by the Staff Fund.

Referring to F81/51, Mr. Taylor said that the increase in Summer School fees was again occasioned by the rise in catering costs. Mr. Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne) asked why Branch accounts listed under F81/46(b) were still outstanding. None of these had as yet sent them in but Mr. Mechan (Hawaii) said he had been in touch with the Branch by telephone and their accounts would be submitted shortly; he confirmed that the Branch was in a sound position.

The Minutes were approved.

EC81/14 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 1981/82.

Before starting elections the Chairman informed representatives of amendments to the list already in their hands of Branch representatives for 1981/82, viz:

- Carnoustie: Insert 'Mrs. A. MacDougall'
- Hamilton (Ontario): Delete Miss V. Harris; insert 'Mrs. L. Gaul'
- Milton Keynes: Delete 'Mrs'; insert 'Mr.'
- Montreal: Insert 'Mr. J. B. Dickson'
- Add: Director of Summer School - Mr. D. Macleod; Six Elected Members: Mr. Aitkenhead, Miss Adams, Mr. Drewry, Mr. Ireland, Mr. R.H.Mackay, Miss Mann.

(a) Finance Committee

Mr. J. Taylor (Chairman), Mrs. M.G. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

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| Mr. J.C. Douglas | (Newcastle upon Tyne) |
| Mr. D.C. Evans | (Glasgow) |
| Miss F.I. Galway | (Belfast) |
| Gp.Capt.J.D.S. Huxley | (Leamington Spa) |
| Miss A.W. Miller | (Duns & District) |
| Miss B.A. Nairn | (Perth & Perthshire) |
| Miss M.M. Ross | (Forres) |

Mr. J. Taylor was duly elected Convener.

(b) General Purposes Committee

Mr. J. Taylor (Chairman and Convener), Mrs. M.G. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

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| Miss I. Bennett | (St. Andrews) |
| Miss M. Brown | (Edinburgh) |
| Mrs. M. Corson | (Winnipeg) |
| Miss A. M. Duffield | (West Lothian) |
| Mr. W. A. Gray | (South Wales) |
| Mr. J. Laurie | (London) |
| Mrs. A. Murphy | (Carlisle & Border) |
| Mr. T. Steele | (Twin Cities) |
| Mrs. J.O. Thomson | (Clackmannanshire) |
| Mr. I.G.R. Zobel | (Atlanta) |

(c) Examinations Committee

Mr. J. Taylor (Chairman), Mrs. M.G. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

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| Miss F.H. Adams | (Elected Member) |
| Miss M.H. Anderson | (TAC) |
| Miss N.J. Arnott | (Kirkcaldy) |
| Mrs. M.C. Gudger | (Rochdale) |
| Mrs. W. Wadsworth | (Gatehouse of Fleet) |

Miss M.H. Anderson was duly elected Convener.

(d) Publications and Research Committee

Mr. J. Taylor (Chairman), Mrs. M.G. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

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| Mr. W. Clement | (Northern Virginia) |
| Mr. J. Drewry | (Elected Member) |
| Mr. W. Hamilton | (Detroit) |
| Mr. R.H. Mackay | (Elected Member) |
| Mr. D. Macleod | (Director Summer School) |

Mr. D. Macleod was duly elected Convener

(e) Summer School Committee

Mr.D. Macleod (Director of Summer School and Convener), Mr. J. Taylor (Chairman), Mrs.M.G.Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

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| Mr. A.S. Aitkenhead | (Elected Member) |
| Mrs. L. Gaul | (Hamilton (Ontario)) |
| Mr. W.J. Ireland | (Elected Member) |
| Miss A.B.W. Mann | (Elected Member) |

EC81/15 TIMETABLE FOR MEETINGS (1982 unless otherwise stated)

Dates and times for Committee Meetings were decided as follows:

- (a) Executive Council : At 2 p.m.
 - 15th May (Edinburgh)
 - 13th November (Edinburgh)
- (b) Finance Committee: At 2 p.m.
 - 16th January (Edinburgh)
 - 24th April (Edinburgh)
 - 31st July (St. Andrews)
 - 23rd October (Edinburgh)
- (c) General Purposes Committee : At 11 a.m.
 - 16th January (Edinburgh)
 - 24th April (Edinburgh)
 - 23rd October (Edinburgh)
- (d) Examinations Committee
 - 6th February (Edinburgh) : At 2 p.m.
 - 17th April (Edinburgh) : At 10.30 a.m.
- (e) Publications & Research Committee: At 10.30 a.m.
 - 10th February (Edinburgh)
 - thereafter as necessary
- (f) Summer School Committee
 - 28th November, 1981 : (Edinburgh) At 5 p.m.
 - 7th August (St. Andrews) At 2.30 p.m.
- (g) Annual General Meeting : At 2.30 p.m.
 - 13th November (Dundee)
 - 30th October

EC81/16 AFFILIATIONS

Applications for affiliation were approved from the following groups:

- (a) Dovercourt S.C.D. Club (Harwich)
- (b) Glendaruel S.C.D. Club (Argyll)
- (c) Whitehorse S.C.D. Society (Yukon Territory, Canada)
- (d) Chapel Hill S.C.D. Society (No. Carolina, US.A)

EC81/27 CONSTITUTION

An amendment submitted to the Mornington Peninsula Branch Constitution was not approved. The Secretary was instructed to inform the Branch with the reasons and to ask for a re-submission.

EC81/18 TEACHING TOUR - AFRICA

At the Chairman's invitation Miss Anderson reported on the tour of Africa by Mrs. Holden and herself. She spoke of the enthusiasm of the Branches and Groups in South Africa and Kenya and of the great kindness and hospitality with which they had been received. She outlined the classes which had been taken and said there was a high standard of dancing and great keenness; the visit had been greatly appreciated. The Chairman congratulated Miss Anderson and Mrs. Holden on their very successful trip.

EC81/19 NEXT MEETING

15th May, 1982.

The meeting closed at 4.15 p.m.

James Jaeslax
 Chairman
 15/5/82.

REPRESENTATIVE OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR 1982

Chairman: James Jaeslax
 Secretary: James Jaeslax
 Treasurer: James Jaeslax
 Director of Summer School: James Jaeslax
 Director of Examinations: James Jaeslax
 Director of Publications & Research: James Jaeslax
 Director of Finance: James Jaeslax

(a) Finance Committee
 Mr. J. Taylor (Chairman), Mrs. H.G. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly approved and re-elected:

- Mr. J.C. Douglas
- Mr. D.C. Evans
- Mrs. F.L. Gilroy
- Mr. G.A. D.S. Hodge
- Mrs. A.W. Miller
- Mrs. S.M. Ross
- Mrs. M.M. Ross

(b) General Purposes Committee
 Mr. J. Taylor (Chairman and Secretary), Mrs. H.G. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly approved and re-elected:

- Mrs. J. Bennett
- Mrs. M. Brown
- Mrs. M. Gordon
- Mrs. M. H. H. H. H.
- Mrs. M. A. Day
- Mrs. J. Lewis
- Mrs. A. Murray
- Mrs. F. Steele
- Mrs. J. O. Thomson
- Mrs. I. G. R. Wood

(c) Examinations Committee
 Mr. J. Taylor (Chairman), Mrs. H.G. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly approved and re-elected:

- Mrs. V. E. A. A.
- Mrs. M. E. A. A.
- Mrs. M. A. A. A.
- Mrs. M. A. A. A.
- Mrs. M. A. A. A.

(d) Publications and Research Committee
 Mr. J. Taylor (Chairman), Mrs. H.G. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly approved and re-elected:

- Mrs. M. A. A. A.
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(e) Summer School Committee
 Mr. J. Taylor (Chairman), Mrs. H.G. Parker (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly approved and re-elected:

- Mrs. M. A. A. A.
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- Mrs. M. A. A. A.

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING HELD
AT 33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH, ON SATURDAY,
15TH MAY, 1982 AT 2.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mr J Taylor (in the Chair), Mrs M G Parker, Mr D Macleod, Mr J Drewry, Miss F H Adams, Mr A S Aitkenhead, Miss A B W Mann, Mr W J Ireland, Mr I G R Zobel, Miss I C Paton, Mrs D Johnstone, Mrs J Bain, Mr E A Boyd, Miss F I Galway, Mr B Frazer, Mrs J Birnie, Mrs A Murphy, Mrs A McDougall, Mr C Mackay, Mrs J O Thomson, Mr J Hutton, Mr A Boode, Mr W Hamilton, Mrs M P Stacey, Miss E M C Ferguson, Mrs M C McIntosh, Mrs I C Cruickshanks, Mrs H T Lisk, Mr L Thomson, Miss M Brown, Mrs M S Baikie, Mrs D Buchanan, Mrs W J Wadsworth, Mr D C Evans, Miss G Wyper, Mrs L Gaul, Mr G Mechan, Mrs F C Inglis, Mrs M Linklater-Shirras, Miss A Allan, Miss N J Arnott, Mrs D Christie, Mrs E Stoddart, Mr A Harrison, Mr T G Leggat, Mrs J Taylor, Miss J Greene, Mrs H H Sandilands, Miss M Brander, Mr D R Warburton, Mrs N Rintoul, Mr J B Dickson, Mr J C Douglas, Mr W Clement, Mr G Davie, Miss B A Nairn, Mr N F Bird, Mrs S Porter, Mr B Campbell, Mrs J Balfour, Mr R Turnbull, Mrs M C Gudger, Mrs J Hewat, Mr J Scahill, Miss I Bennett, Mr H Thompson, Mr C S Hilton, Mr W A Gray, Miss J C G Bowie, Miss F Martin, Mr R C Sutherland, Mr T Steele, Miss A M Duffield, Mrs M Corson, Miss M H Anderson (75)

ATTENDING: Miss M M Gibson (Secretary)

EX82/1 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

- (a) Mr Taylor tendered the Executive Council's congratulations to Mrs K Gill (member of staff) on her recent marriage.
- (b) The Chairman said he had two very sad pieces of news - one the death of Mr Kemp, joint Secretary of Teesside Branch and the other the death of Mrs McWatters in Islay. Both had been staunch members of the Society. A letter of condolence had already been sent to Mrs Kemp and the Secretary was now asked to write to Mr McWatters.

EX82/2 APOLOGIES

Mrs F Chew, Mr D A Gray, Mr R E Green, Mr A Greenyer, Gp. Capt. J D S Huxley, Mr J Laurie, Miss A C Lee, Mr T Leslie, Miss G E McDonald, Mr R Mackay, Miss A W Miller, Miss M M Ross, Miss I Mundie, Mrs B Wass, Mr H Van Zon and Miss D M Vaughan (Treasurer).

EX82/3 MINUTES

The Chairman asked members to amend Minute EX81/15(g) by substituting 30th October for 13th November as the date of the 1982 A.G.M. With this amendment the Minutes were approved.

EX82/4 BUSINESS ARISING

EX81/12(c) FILM: Mr Taylor announced that the film was now available. The cost would be £180 for Branches who wished to purchase a copy and for those who wished to borrow it only there would be a charge of £5 (towards maintenance) in addition to insurance and postage both ways.

EX82/5 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(a) Summer School Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 28th November, 1981

The Chairman drew attention to the new assembly and departure dates for Summer School (Sundays and Saturdays respectively)

He also intimated that Depute Directors of Summer School had been appointed - Mrs Anna Holden (for the first course) and Mr Bill Ireland for the second.

Mr Ireland (Elected Member) asked that the next meeting of the Summer School Committee be shown as 7 August 1982 (not 1981). With that amendment the Minutes were approved.

(b) Publications and Research Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 20th February, 1982

The Minutes were approved.

The Chairman said that it was hoped to have Dr Milligan's biography ready in the Spring of 1983; the publication would be of good quality with hard covers and well illustrated.

With regard to the Reel of the Royal Scots, the Regiment was to choose from two dances put forward by the Society, which would be demonstrated by Edinburgh Branch on 18th May. The Regimental Pipe Major had produced music.

Referring to Minute PR82/10(b) The Chairman said that a copy of 'Harp and Claymore' had been acquired for the Archives.

Mr Boode (Delft Branch) said he would like to see dances and their music bearing the same title; where there was no original tune the title of the dance or of the music might be altered. He also suggested that the Society should purchase another copy of "Scotland Dances" for lending to branches. While the Secretary had been told that this was not possible, Mr Clement (Northern Virginia) said he thought copies could still be purchased through Mr Gray of Kirkintilloch.

Miss Brown (Edinburgh Branch) asked that the Publications Committee consider publishing leaflets with instructions and music simultaneously visible instead of having music printed on the back.

Miss Galway (Belfast Branch) referring to Minute PR82/8(c) objected to the advice not to distribute the subscription copies before the commencement of autumn classes. Mr Hamilton (Detroit) said that the intention had been not to have dances taught until after Summer School. The Secretary confirmed that books would be despatched in June provided Branches sent in their requests on time.

(c) Examinations Committee

Minutes of the Meeting on 6th February, 1982.

The Minutes were approved.

Referring to Minute 82/6 the Chairman said that Miss Miller had accepted the invitation to teach in Ireland and would be accompanied by Mr Mackay (as pianist). Dr MacFadyen had accepted the invitation to undertake a teaching tour of the Far East and Australasia.

As a result of the Adjudicator's Course (EX82/7) four new adjudicators had been added to the Society's list, viz. Mr G Lawson (Glasgow), Mr W A Gray (South Wales), Mrs J Scott (East Lothian), and Miss M G Fraser (Inverness). In reply to Mr Zobel (Atlanta Branch) the Chairman said that while there were no immediate plans for another course no doubt there would be one in the future.

Mr Mechan (Hawaii Branch) expressed concern in respect of tours that we were not concentrating sufficiently on the situation in Scotland; the Chairman said that the General Purposes Committee had this matter in hand.

(d) General Purposes Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 16th January

The Minutes were approved.

At the Chairman's suggestion, Council agreed that a telegram be sent to Their Royal Highnesses, the Prince and Princess of Wales on the birth of the expected baby.

Mrs Parker (Vice-Chairman) outlined arrangements being made for the AGM in 1983. It would be held in Troon and as an alternative to classes in the morning there will be a Burns Tour. Council asked that the date of the 1983 AGM be notified to Branches when sending out the provisional agenda for the 1982 AGM.

(e) Finance Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 16th January.

The Minutes were approved.

The Chairman drew attention to the new accessories now available and to the art pewter silver items in particular.

With reference to F82/11 cassettes would now be available alongside the records for the dance books.

EX82/6 AFFILIATION

The affiliation was approved of St Andrews Scottish Country Dancers, DUNEDIN, Florida.

EX82/7 TREASURER

The Chairman had received notice of resignation as from the next AGM from Miss D M Vaughan, Treasurer. As motions for the A.G.M. had to be lodged by 30th June, he had to put to Council now a proposal regarding a new Treasurer. After careful thought he considered that the Society should remain with Miss Vaughan's office where Mrs Jeffcoat, her partner, was carrying on and where Mr Wishart had a very good knowledge of the Society. Having a Treasurer near at hand to HQ had obvious advantages. He therefore proposed that the Executive Council should nominate Mrs M Jeffcoat of D M Vaughan Accountants as Treasurer. Miss Galway (Belfast Branch) seconded the motion.

EX82/8 OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Mr Thompason (San Francisco) suggested that meetings should be arranged so that all the Committee minutes of meetings held in the Spring could be available for the May Council meeting.
 - (b) Mrs Taylor (Lochaber Branch) asked if courses were being considered for young pianists. The Chairman said that the Summer School Committee were considering this as a possibility at St Andrews.
 - (c) Mr Hilton (Southport Branch) raised the question of performing rights and the Secretary undertook to send him some information on this subject. He said that his Branch felt it would increase interest if the Society used a variety of bands for their recordings. The Chairman said that we must be very careful to achieve the necessary quality of music, tempo, etc. and that Bobby Crowe was very good in this respect; however, the Publications Committee would note point made.
- Mr Hilton also asked that full length dances be recorded even if it meant using two records to one book and filling space with leaflet dances. Mr Macleod, Convener of Publications Committee, said the aim was to have a record for each book in the numbered series and to get all the dances on a record it had been necessary to reduce the number of times through, especially with Strathspeys. With later books having a lesser number of dances the problem did not arise.

EX82/9 NEXT MEETING

13th November, 1982.

Mr Taylor said it was a sad day for him as it was the last time he would chair the Council Meeting since his term of office would finish at the AGM in October. Over the years a considerable number of changes had taken place but these had been introduced gradually.

Mrs Parker (Vice-Chairman) said she would be sorry to see Mr Taylor go; appreciation of his services would be voiced on a more appropriate occasion but in the interim she thanked him for all he had done for the Society.

The meeting closed at 3.33 p.m.

Chairman Margaret J. Parker

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(d) General Purposes Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 16th January

The Minutes were approved.

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Mrs Parker (Vice-Chairman) outlined arrangements being made for the AGM in 1983. It would be held in Troon and as an alternative to classes in the morning there will be a Burns Tour. Council asked that the date of the 1983 AGM be notified to Branches when sending out the provisional agenda for the 1982 AGM.

(e) Finance Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 16th January.

The Minutes were approved.

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With reference to F82/11 cassettes would now be available alongside the records for the dance books.

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EXB2/7 TREASURER

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EXB2/8 OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Mr Thompson (San Francisco) suggested that meetings should be arranged so that all the Committee minutes of meetings held in the Spring could be available for the May Council meeting.
- (b) Mrs Taylor (Lochaber Branch) asked if courses were being considered for young pianists. The Chairman said that the Summer School Committee were considering this as a possibility at St Andrews.
- (c) Mr Hilton (Southport Branch) raised the question of performing rights and the Secretary undertook to send him some information on this subject. He said that his Branch felt it would increase interest if the Society used a variety of bands for their recordings. The Chairman said that we must be very careful to achieve the necessary quality of music, tempo, etc. and that Bobby Crowe was very good in this respect; however, the Publications Committee would note point made. Mr Hilton also asked that full length dances be recorded even if it meant using two records to one book and filling space with leaflet dances. Mr Macleod, Convener of Publications Committee, said the aim was to have a record for each book in the numbered series and to get all the dances on a record it had been necessary to reduce the number of times through, especially with Strathspeys. With later books having a lesser number of dances the problem did not arise.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT 33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH, ON SATURDAY, 13TH NOVEMBER, 1982 AT 2.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mrs M G Parker (in the Chair), Mr J Taylor, Dr A MacFadyen, Mr D Macleod, Miss F H Adams, Mr J Drewry, Mrs N Dunn, Mrs A Holden, Miss D Leurs, Miss A Mann, Miss G E McDonald, Mr I Zobel, Miss I Paton, Mrs D Johnstone, Mrs J Bain, Mr A Boyd, Miss F I Galway, Mr B Frazer, Miss A C Lee, Mr R E Green, Mr K Warman, Mrs S Nedderman, Mr J Murphy, Mrs A MacDougall, Mrs J O Thomson, Mr J Hutton, Mr A L M Boode, Mr W Hamilton, Mrs M P Stacey, Mr K Sharp, Miss A W Miller, Mrs H Lisk, Mr L Thomson, Miss M M Brown, Miss M M Ross, Mrs W J Wadsworth, Mr D C Evans, Miss G Wyper, Mrs L Gaul, Mr G Mechan, Mrs Linklater-Shirras, Mr D Campbell, Miss N J Arnott, Mrs D E Christie, Gp. Capt. J D S Huxley, Mr A Harrison, Mrs P A Moore, Mrs J M Taylor, Mr J Laurie, Mrs J Sandilands, Miss M Brander, Mr J McKercher, Mr D R Warburton, Mr N Bird, Mr B C Campbell, Mr S McMillan, Mr R Turnbull, Mrs J Hewat, Miss I Bennett, Mr H Thompson, Mr W A Gray, Miss J C G Bowie, Miss F Martin, Mr R C Sutherland, Mr T Steele, Mrs G Muir, Mrs M Moir, Mrs M Corson, Dr G Crosbie, Miss M H Anderson, Miss N Rintoul, Mr J C Douglas, Mr W Clement, Miss I Mundie, Miss B A Nairn (75)

ATTENDING: Miss M M Gibson (Secretary) and Mrs M Jeffcoat (Treasurer).

EX82/10 APOLOGIES

Mr H Van Zon, Mr T Leslie, Mrs S M Barnes, Mrs M C Gudger, Mr C S Hilton, Mr I Birnie, Mr T J Leggat, Mrs F C Inglis, Mr J Scahill, Mrs B Wass, Mr G Davie, Mr G Burnett, Miss E M C Ferguson, Mrs S Forman, Miss W Logan, Mrs I C Cruickshanks, Miss A Allan, Mrs E Vandegrift.

EX82/11 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed members and hoped they would enjoy the work of the Council. She reminded members that Branches could put forward items for discussion by the Council and advised that they be forwarded at least six weeks before a meeting so that they could be included in the printed Agenda going out to all Branches and representatives.

EX82/12 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting on 15th May, 1982 were approved.

EX82/13 BUSINESS ARISING

- (a) EX81/12(c) Film: The Chairman announced that the cost of the film was now £250 and might yet rise in future.
- (b) EX82/5(a). Mrs Parker said that some members wanted the Monday start to Summer School restored while others preferred the Sunday start. As a guide for the Summer School Committee, though without prejudice to any decision they might take, she asked Council members to indicate their preference regarding the starting day.

Voting was 23 for Sunday Start
34 for Monday start

Mr Douglas suggested that the Summer School Committee should consider whether, if the one week courses were unequal, the fees should be adjusted accordingly.

- (c) EX82/5(b) The Secretary reported that Mr Gray of Kirkintilloch had been contacted and only a second hand copy of the film "SCOTLAND DANCES" might possibly have been available.
- (d) EX82/5(c) The Chairman said that the teaching tour in Ireland undertaken by Miss Miller with Robert Mackay (pianist) had been very successful. No less successful was the tour undertaken by Miss Anderson and Miss Inglis (pianist) in the Cowal peninsula of Argyll and she thanked both Miss Miller and Miss Anderson and the two pianists for their efforts on behalf of the Society and said it was the intention to carry on with this work.

EX82/14 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(a) Examination Committee

Minutes of the Meeting on 17th April, 1982.

Miss Arnott (Kirkcaldy) considered the Minutes were inaccurate and moved that her name be included in the sub-committee appointed at Minute EX82/15 (last sentence). There being no seconder her motion fell.

Mrs Wadsworth (Gatehouse-of-Fleet) proposed that the Minute was a correct record and was seconded by Miss Adams (Elected Member). The Minutes were then approved and ratified.

(b) Publications and Research Committee

(i) Minutes of the Meeting on 2nd May, 1982.
The Minutes were ratified.

In reply to Mr Frazer, Mr Macleod confirmed that a letter from Berks/Hants/Surrey Border Branch had been received and noted at this meeting.

(ii) Minutes of the Meeting on 5th June, 1982
The Minutes were ratified.

(iii) Minutes of the Meeting 19th June, 1982
The Minutes were approved and ratified.

(iv) Minutes of the Meeting on 2nd October, 1982
The Minutes were ratified.

Dr Crosbie (York and North Humberside) proposed that the Committee should reconsider the decision at PR82/38(a) regarding the reels in 'Cadgers in the Canongate'. Miss Adams seconded the motion.

Mr Macleod (Director of Summer School) moved that the ruling in the Minute be retained. Mrs H Lisk (East Angus Branch) seconded Mr Macleod's motion.

Voting: Dr Crosbie's motion 22
Mr Macleod's motion 37

The ruling in the Minute would therefore stand.

Mr Douglas (Newcastle-on-Tyne) suggested that included in the ruling it should be stated that the right shoulder is given to start. Mr Macleod said this amendment could be included by the Publications Committee in preparing the item for publication in the Bulletin.

(c) General Purposes Committee

(i) Minutes of the Meeting on 24th April, 1982
The Minutes were ratified.

Mr Mechan (Hawaii) suggested that the 'Japan and East Tokyo' Branch should be renamed to avoid confusion.

(Secretary's note: The actual designation of the Branch is Tokyo and East Japan).

(ii) Minutes of the Meeting on 23rd October, 1982
The Minutes were approved and ratified.

Mr Mechan (Hawaii) asked that the Minutes should show more detailed information regarding the location of affiliated groups.

Mr Evans (Glasgow) referring to Minute GP82/30(b) proposed that Branches be invited to contribute to a presentation for Miss Vaughan, the retiring Treasurer, in addition to the presentation made at the AGM. Dr MacFadyen (Vice Chairman) seconded the proposal.

Mr Taylor seconded by Mrs Thompson (Clackmannan) moved that no further action should be taken.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING HELD
AT 33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH, ON SATURDAY,
13TH NOVEMBER, 1982 AT 2.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mrs M G Parker (in the Chair), Mr J Taylor, Dr A MacFadyen, Mr D Macleod, Miss F H Adams, Mr J Drewry, Mrs N Dunn, Mrs A Holden, Miss D Leurs, Miss A Mann, Miss G E McDonald, Mr I Zobel, Miss I Paton, Mrs D Johnston, Mrs J Bain, Mr A Boyd, Miss F I Galway, Mr B Frazer, Miss A C Lee, Mr R E Green, Mr K Warman, Mrs S Nedderman, Mr J Murphy, Mrs A MacDougall, Mrs J O Thomson, Mr J Hutton, Mr A L M Boode, Mr W Hamilton, Mrs M P Stacey, Mr K Sharp, Miss A W Miller, Mrs H Lisk, Mr L Thomson, Miss M M Brown, Miss M M Ross, Mrs W J Wadsworth, Mr D C Evans, Miss G Wyper, Mrs L Gail, Mr G Mechan, Mrs Linklater-Shirras, Mr D Campbell, Miss N J Arnott, Mrs D E Christie, Gp. Capt. J D S Huxley, Mr A Harrison, Mrs P A Moore, Mrs J M Taylor, Mr J Laurie, Mrs J Sandilands, Miss M Brander, Mr J McKercher, Mr D R Warburton, Mr N Bird, Mr B C Campbell, Mr S McMillan, Mr R Turnbull, Mrs J Hewat, Miss I Bennett, Mr H Thompson, Mr W A Gray, Miss J C G Bowie, Miss F Martin, Mr R C Sutherland, Mr T Steele, Mrs G Muir, Mrs M Moir, Mrs M Corson, Dr G Crosbie, Miss M H Anderson, Miss N Rintoul, Mr J C Douglas, Mr W Clement, Miss I Mundie, Miss B A Nairn (75)

ATTENDING: Miss M M Gibson (Secretary) and Mrs M Jeffcoat (Treasurer).

EX82/10 APOLOGIES

Mr H Van Zon, Mr T Leslie, Mrs S M Barnes, Mrs M C Gudger, Mr C S Hilton, Mr I Birnie, Mr T J Leggat, Mrs F C Inglis, Mr J Scahill, Mrs B Wass, Mr G Davie, Mr G Burnett, Miss E M C Ferguson, Mrs S Forman, Miss W Logan, Mrs I C Cruickshanks, Miss A Allan, Mrs E Vandegrift.

EX82/11 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed members and hoped they would enjoy the work of the Council. She reminded members that Branches could put forward items for discussion by the Council and advised that they be forwarded at least six weeks before a meeting so that they could be included in the printed Agenda going out to all Branches and representatives.

EX82/12 MINUTES

The Minutes of the Meeting on 15th May, 1982 were approved.

EX82/13 BUSINESS ARISING

(a) EX81/12(c) Film: The Chairman announced that the cost of the film was now £250 and might yet rise in future.

(b) EX82/5(a). Mrs Parker said that some members wanted the Monday start to Summer School restored while others preferred the Sunday start. As a guide for the Summer School Committee, though without prejudice to any decision they might take, she asked Council members to indicate their preference regarding the starting day.

Voting was 23 for Sunday Start
3/4 for Monday start

Mr Douglas suggested that the Summer School Committee should consider whether, if the one week courses were unequal, the fees should be adjusted accordingly.

(c) EX82/5(b) The Secretary reported that Mr Gray of Kirkintilloch had been contacted and only a second hand copy of the film "SCOTLAND DANCES" might possibly have been available.

(d) EX82/5(c) The Chairman said that the teaching tour in Ireland undertaken by Miss Miller with Robert Mackay (pianist) had been very successful. No less successful was the tour undertaken by Miss Anderson and Miss Inglis (pianist) in the Cowal peninsula of Argyll and she thanked both Miss Miller and Miss Anderson and the two pianists for their efforts on behalf of the Society and said it was the intention to carry on with this work.

Mr Taylor's motion was carried by an overwhelming majority.

Miss Galway, seconded by Mr Mechan, proposed that a Scroll should be presented to Miss Vaughan. Mr Taylor explained that the General Purposes Committee had already considered this and rejected it in favour of the presentation already made and the matter was dropped.

Mrs Linklater-Shirras (Inverness) suggested a Scroll should be on display at the next Executive Council meeting for the information of all members.

Mr Thompson (San Francisco) said his Branch supported the suggestion regarding some memorial to the late C Stewart Smith and he would be asking them for suggestions as to what form this should take.

(d) Finance Committee

(i) Minutes of the Meeting on 24th April, 1982

The Minutes were ratified.

Mr B C Campbell (Portrush) queried the ruling at F82/23 as he thought all Branches should be allowed to use the Society motif. Council agreed that the Motif could be used freely on stationery and such like items and that the requirement for permission to be sought first should apply to items for sale only.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 7th August 1982

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(iii) Minutes of Meeting on 23rd October, 1982.

The Minutes were approved and ratified.

(e) Summer School Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 7th August.

The Minutes were approved and ratified.

Mr Frazer (Berks/Hants/Surrey Border) strongly supported the recommendation at Minute SS82/4(d) second paragraph wherein it was suggested that more care should be taken to exclude non dancers from residence; he also suggested that some rotation might be necessary for those who presently attend every year.

Mr Macleod (Director of Summer School) said that the Summer School Committee would be discussing these matters later in the day.

EC82/15 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

Mr Hamilton proposed that the Immediate Past Chairman (who was ex officio a member of the Standing Committees) should be additional to the number of members allotted to the various Committees in the Constitution. Mr Macleod seconded the motion which was unanimously adopted.

Before starting the elections the Chairman asked the Secretary to announce the additions to the list of members of Council. These were: Dr A MacFadyen (Vice Chairman), Miss Adams, Mr Drewry, Mrs Dunn, Mrs Holden, Miss Leurs, Miss Mann (Elected Members and the following Branch representatives: Berwick on Tweed: Miss A C Lee; Bournemouth: Mr David Gray; Detroit: Mr W Hamilton; Peterborough & District: Mr N Bird; Peterhead: Mrs S Forman (instead of Mrs S Porter); Roxburgh, Selkirk & Peebles: Mrs J Hewat; San Francisco: Mr H Thompson; Seattle: Mrs E Vandegrift; Vancouver: Mrs G Muir; Winnipeg: Mrs M Corson.

(a) Finance Committee

Mrs M G Parker (Chairman), Dr A MacFadyen (Vice Chairman) Mr J Taylor (Imm. Past Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mr J C Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne)
- Miss F I Galway (Belfast)
- Gp. Capt. J D S Huxley (Leamington Spa)
- Miss W A Miller (Dumfries & District)
- Miss B A Nairn (Perth & Perthshire)
- Miss M M Ross (Forres)
- Mr R Turnbull (Richmond, N. Yorks)

Mr J Taylor was duly elected Convener

(b) General Purposes Committee

Mrs M G Parker (Chairman) and Convener, Dr A MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman), Mr J Taylor (Imm. Past Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss I Bennett (St Andrews)
- Miss M Giffield (West Lothian)
- Mrs N Dunn (Elected Member)
- Mr B Frazer (Berks, Hants, Surrey Border)
- Mr W A Gray (South Wales)
- Mr J Laurie (London)
- Miss D Lewis (Elected Member)
- Mrs A Murphy (Carlisle & Border)
- Mr I Zobel (Atlanta)

(c) Examinations Committee

Mrs M G Parker (Chairman), Dr A MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman), Mr J Taylor (Imm. Past Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss M H Anderson (TAC)
- Miss N J Arnott (Kirkcaldy)
- Mrs A Holden (Elected Member)
- Mrs M Corson (Winnipeg)
- Mrs W Wadsworth (Gatehouse of Fleet)

Miss M H Anderson was duly elected Convener.

(d) Publications and Research Committee

Mrs M G Parker (Chairman), Dr A MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman), Mr J Taylor (Imm. Past Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss M Brown (Edinburgh)
- Mr W Clement (No. Virginia)
- Mr J Dewry (Aberdeen) *Elected Member*
- Mr W Hamilton (Detroit)
- Mr D Macleod (Director, Summer School)

Mr D Macleod was duly elected Convener

(e) Summer School Committee

Mr D Macleod (Director of Summer School and Convener), Mrs M G Parker (Chairman), Dr A MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman), Mr J Taylor (Imm. Past Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mr D C Evans (Glasgow)
- Mrs L Gaul (Hamilton-Ontario)
- Miss A Mann (Elected Member)
- Mr G Mechan (Hawaii)

EC82/16 TIMETABLE FOR MEETINGS (1983 unless otherwise stated).

Dates and times for Committee Meetings were decided as follows:-

- (a) Executive Council: At 2 p.m.
 - 14th May (Edinburgh)
 - 19th November (Edinburgh)

(b) /

- (b) Finance Committee: At 2 p.m.
 - 15th January (Edinburgh)
 - 16th April (Edinburgh)
 - 6th August (St Andrews)
 - 22nd October (Edinburgh)
- (c) General Purposes Committee: At 11.00 a.m.
 - 15th January (Edinburgh)
 - 16th April (Edinburgh)
 - 22nd October (Edinburgh)
- (d) Examinations Committee: At 10.30 a.m.
 - 11th December, 1982 (Edinburgh)
 - 21st May (Edinburgh) This date is subject to alteration.
- (e) Publications & Research Committee: At 10.30 a.m.
 - 4th December, 1982 (Edinburgh)
 - 22nd January (Edinburgh)
 - 19th February (Edinburgh)
- (f) Summer School Committee: At 5 p.m.
 - 13th November, 1982 (Edinburgh)
 - 6th August (St Andrews)
- (g) Annual General Meeting: At 2.30 p.m.
 - 5th November (Troon, Ayrshire)

EC82/17 BRANCH FORMATION

Application by the Lochgilphead S.C.D. Club for permission to form a Branch was approved, the Branch to be designated the Mid Argyll Branch.

EC82/18 AFFILIATION

The following applications to affiliate were approved:

- (a) Calvin College Scottish Dancers, Michigan
- (b) Uttoxeter Reel Club, Staffordshire (subject to there being no objection from Wolverhampton Branch).

EC82/19 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING - Voting for Elected Members.

Miss Adams (Elected Member) seconded by Mrs Dunn (Elected Member) proposed that figures for the voting for elected members at Annual General Meetings should not be announced and should not be stated in the Minutes. The proposal was carried unanimously.

EC82/20 OTHER BUSINESS

The Conveners of the appropriate Committees were asked to take cognisance of the following suggestions:

- that the National Anthem should be played after the Ball and Dance at the A.G.Ms. (Mr Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne))
- that Aberdeen Branch considered a more attractive illustration than that on the Children's Book should be found for future publications. (Miss MacDonald (Aberdeen Branch))
- that the Society should publish two records per year since the recorded music for so many dances was unavailable. (Mr Boode - Delft Branch)
- that finance should be allotted to help Branches start beginners classes. (Mr Mechan - Hawaii)
- that some 24 bar dances be included in a future record. (Mrs Corson - Winnipeg Branch).
- that when celebrating a Society anniversary there should be a tangible souvenir available. (Miss Galway - Belfast)

EC82/21 NEXT MEETING

14th May, 1982 in Edinburgh.

The meeting closed at 4.40 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chairman.

Margaret G. Parkes

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD
AT 33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH, ON SATURDAY,
14TH MAY, 1983 AT 2.00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mrs M G Parker (in the Chair), Mr J Taylor, Dr A MacFadyen, Mr D Macleod, Miss F H Adams, Mr J Drewry, Mrs N Dunn, Mrs A H T Holden, Miss D Leurs, Miss A B W Mann, Miss G E McDonald, Mr I Zobel, Miss I Paton, Mr Colin McDougall, Mrs J Bain, Mr A Boyd, Miss F I Galway, Mr B Frazer, Miss Angela Johnston, Mr D Gray, Mr I M Birnie, Mrs S Nedderman, Mrs A Murphy, Mrs A MacDougall, Mrs B Wass, Mrs J O Thomson, Mr J Hutton, Mr A L M Boode, Mr W Hamilton, Mr K Stacey, Miss E M C Ferguson, Mr K Sharp, Mrs I C Cruickshanks, Mrs Alice Cooper, Miss A W Miller, Mrs H Lisk, Mr L Thomson, Miss M M Brown, Mrs M Baikie, Miss M M Ross, Mrs W J Wadsworth, Mr D C Evans, Miss G Wyper, Mrs L Gaul, Mr G Mechan, Mrs F C Inglis, Mrs Linklater-Shirras, Mr D Campbell, Miss A Allan, Miss N J Arnott, Mrs D E Christie, Mrs E Stoddart, Gp. Capt. J D S Huxley, Mr A Harrison, Miss H Shaw, Mrs P A Moore, Mrs J M Taylor, Mr J Laurie, Mrs J Sandilands, Miss M Brander, Dr I M Hall, Mrs M Killeen, Mr D R Warburton, Miss N Rintoul, Mr J B Dickson, Mr J C Douglas, Mr W Clement, Miss I Mundie, Mr G Davie, Miss B A Nairn, Mr N Bird, Mr B C Campbell, Mr S McMillan, Mr R Turnbull, Mrs M C Gudger, Mrs J Hewat, Mr J Scahill, Miss I Bennett, Mr H Thompson, Mrs E Vandegrift, Mrs Madalene Lee, Mr C S Hilton, Miss J C G Bowie, Miss F Martin, Mrs S M Barnes, Mr G Burnett, Mr T Steele, Miss M Duffield, Mrs C B Greenyer, Dr G Crosbie, Miss M H Anderson. (91)

ATTENDING: Miss M M Gibson (Secretary) Mrs M A Jeffcoat (Treasurer)

EC83/1 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed Branch representatives and said she was especially pleased to see the representatives from the two newest Branches in Argyll.

Mrs Parker then spoke of the Society's recent losses by the deaths of -

Mrs Dorothy Johnstone, founder member of NW Ayrshire Branch and perhaps best known as pianist at Branch, Festivals and Summer School.

Mr George Sharp who had given excellent service to the Society in the '60s. as Chairman.

Dr Dileas Short - a great enthusiast and regular visitor to Summer School.

Mrs Margaret McNab who had been a well-known and popular pianist at Summer School.

The Executive Council recorded their regret and their sympathy with the relatives of the deceased members.

EC83/2 APOLOGIES

Miss A C Lee, Mr R C Sutherland, Mr A Gray, Mr E Green, Mr A S Greenyer
Mr H. Van Zon

EC83/3 MINUTES

The Secretary said that Mr Steel's name did not appear under the list of members of the General Purposes Committee in the Minutes of the Meeting on 13th November, 1982, as his name had been read out then in error. At Minute EC82/15(d) Publications Committee, Mr Drewry should be shown as Elected Member and not as Aberdeen Branch representative. With that amendment the Minutes of the Meeting on 13th November, 1982, were approved unanimously.

EC83/4 BUSINESS ARISING

EC82/14(c)(ii) - The Scroll was displayed at the meeting, as requested, for members to see.

EC83/5/

(a) Publications and Research Committee

- (i) Minutes of the Meeting on 13th November, 1982 were ratified unanimously.
- (ii) Minutes of the Meeting on 4th December, 1982, were ratified unanimously.
- (iii) Minutes of the Meeting on 22nd January, 1983, were ratified unanimously.

Referring to PR83/6 the Chairman said that it was anticipated that the biography of Dr Jean Milligan would be available in mid-June.

- (iv) Minutes of Meeting on 19th February, 1983.

The Minutes were approved.

It was decided that Dr MacFadyen could include Book 31 dances in his teaching tour of the Far East and Australasia.

Mr Booth (Delft) noting that two records had been produced this year asked if it had been decided in principle to make two records annually as he had advocated. The Chairman said that while the aim would be two records per year this could not be mandatory and would have to be decided in the light of circumstances each year.

Miss Galway (Belfast) suggested that the three Golden Jubilee dances be recorded and the Convener of the Publications Committee was asked to note the suggestion.

(b) Examinations Committee

- (i) Minutes of the meeting on 11th December, 1982

Mr Clement (Northern Virginia) in regard to EX82/24 ^{suggested} proposed that a letter should be sent to ~~Miss Margaret McLaren~~ ^{both examiners} (examiner) to say:

- (1) on receiving the complaints in respect of the two examiners in 1981 the procedure followed was as stated by Miss Anderson at the last Executive Meeting (i.e. as decided in 1980).
- (2) Changes had been made as set out in EX82/24
- (3) and to express the Council's regret at the distress caused to the examiners by the handling of the complaint in the former manner.

Mr Thompson (San Francisco) seconded by Mrs Murphy (Carlisle & Border) proposed that the relevant section of the Minute (EX82/24) be sent to all examiners for their information. This was unanimously agreed.

Gp. Capt. Huxley (Leamington Spa) seconded by Mr Brian Campbell (Portrush) proposed that the letter suggested by Mr Clement should go to ~~Miss McLaren~~ ^{both examiners} from the Executive Council. This was agreed.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

- (ii) Minutes of the meeting on 26th March, 1983.

The Minutes were approved.

Mr Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne) sought clarification about the new examination dances and asked if candidates would require to do more than one setting step in the Glasgow Highlanders or should they do the setting step as stated in 'Won't You Join The Dance?'. Miss Anderson (as Convener of the Examinations Committee) said she considered only one step was necessary and the Chairman suggested it be as described in 'Won't You Join The Dance?'.
At this juncture the Chairman drew the Council's attention to the fact that Miss Anderson and Mr Macleod had just arrived back from their examination tour in North America at 10 o'clock that morning and had come straight to the meeting. At the Chairman's invitation Mr Macleod gave a very brief report.

He said that the tour lasted seven weeks exactly during which time they examined at 14 centres throughout North America and saw some some 130 candidates for the Teacher's Certificate or the Preliminary Test, presented by various Branches and Affiliated Groups.

The examination arrangements were made by Mrs Finlay of the T.A.C. and he congratulated the Teacher's Association, and Mrs Finlay in particular, on a job very well done. The organisation for the entire tour was without exception first class.

Thanks were due also to all the hosts who met Miss Anderson and himself at airports transporting them to the various examination halls and providing meals and accommodation and making them feel very much at home.

All the teachers - many of whom were presenting candidates for the first time - should also be congratulated on the preparation of candidates.

Mr Macleod thanked the Examinations Committee for giving him the opportunity of going on the North American Examinations Tour.

Miss Anderson concurred with these remarks and said she had found the tour very interesting and most enjoyable and thanked the Society for asking her to undertake it.

The Executive Council recorded their thanks to the two examiners for carrying out the examinations tour so efficiently and cheerfully on behalf of the Society.

(c) Finance Committee

(i) Minute of Meeting on 15th January, 1983.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 16th April, 1983

The Chairman drew attention to Minute F83/23 and asked that anyone with ideas regarding publicity should send them into Headquarters.

Mr Taylor (Immediate Past Chairman), seconded by Mr Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne) moved that the motion at Minute F83/24 should be put by the Executive Council to the Annual General Meeting i.e.

"that with effect from 1st July, 1984, the Annual Subscription be raised to £3, the subscription, as at present, being divided in proportion of 50 per cent to be retained by the Branch and 50 per cent to be forwarded to Headquarters. Where a Branch starts its financial year prior to, or later than, 1st July, the increased subscription will be operative from the start of the Branch financial year in 1984."

Mr Taylor said we were relying too heavily on sales and that the membership subscription in itself did not cover the administration necessary to service members and provide the annual Book and Bulletin.

Mr Hamilton (Detroit), looking further ahead, proposed that the annual membership subscription should be raised to £5 now; Mr Burnett (Toronto) seconded the motion.

On a vote being taken an overwhelming majority voted for the original motion (to increase the annual subscription to £3) to go to the Annual General Meeting.

The Chairman asked representatives to draw the attention of their Branches to Minute F83/34 regarding Long Term Membership subscriptions and the necessity to spread the income therefrom over the period of the membership.

The Executive Council expressed their regret at Mrs Gill's resignation from Headquarters staff and recorded their appreciation of her services.

(d) /

(d) General Purposes Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 15th January, 1983

Mr Sharp (West Dunbartonshire) seconded by Mrs Gaul (Hamilton (Ontario)) proposed that Branches who at this date had distinctive Branch badges should send one to Headquarters for registration. It would then be clear which Branches would be required to adopt the Society motif (see GP83/8(d)). This was agreed.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 16th April, 1983.

The Chairman drew the attention of the meeting to Minute GP83/13 and it was agreed unanimously that the Society's Scroll for recognition of outstanding service to the Society should be awarded to:

- Mrs Florence D Lesslie - New Zealand Branch
- Miss Ina Nairn - Forfar Branch
- Mrs Helen Walker - Castle Douglas Branch
- Professor John Wevers - Teacher's Association (Canada)
- Miss Phyllis Wood - Birmingham Branch
- Miss D M Vaughan - ex-Treasurer of the Society

At the Chairman's invitation the Secretary reported on affiliations and Branch formations.

- (a) Toorak Uniting S.C.D. Group had not been granted affiliation (GP83/14(b)).
Comber SCD Club had been supported by Belfast Branch and was now affiliated.

The General Purposes Committee had met briefly prior to the Council Meeting and had made the following decisions in addition to those included in the Minutes before Council:

Affiliations:

- (b) Southwick S.C.D. Club, Brighton, West Sussex - Approved
- Cardiff St Andrews Society S.C.D. Group do.
- Gosford S.C.D. Club, Gosford, Australia do.
- College St. S.C. Dance Club, New Zealand - Approved subject to their being no objection by New Zealand Branch.

(c) Branch formations:

It had been confirmed that Cincinnati (GP83/15(b)) had now two fully qualified teachers and one with a Preliminary Test Pass and they were given approval to form a Branch.

As further representations had been received from the Wirral group (GP83/15(d)) and as the Committee had now received Liverpool Branch's support for the application, approval had been given for Branch formation.

Miss Brown (Edinburgh) referring to GP83/17 said that she had been instructed by her Branch to abstain in the vote for the Director of Summer School, as her Branch considered the period of 5 years too long, and that the General Purposes Committee should have considered this before voting took place for a new Director.

Mr Evans (Glasgow) seconded by Miss Adams (Elected Member) ^{proposed} that the General Purposes Committee should also review the tenure and conditions of the Society's Honorary Archivist when reviewing the conditions of appointment of Director of Summer School (Minute GP83/17). It was unanimously agreed to remit this matter to the General Purposes Committee.

The Minutes were approved and ratified.

Voting for Director of Summer School.

Miss Anderson having withdrawn her name, the candidates for election were Mr A S Aitkenhead and Mr D Macleod. Council decided that the number of votes cast for each candidate should not be announced.

The result of the voting was that Mr Duncan Macleod was appointed Director for the next five years (1984-88 inclusive).

(e) Summer School Committee

The Minutes of the meeting on 13th November, 1982, were duly approved and ratified.

EC83/6 OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Mrs Holden (Elected Member) suggested that the Publications Committee should look at 'Won't You Join The Dance?' in respect of the Glasgow Highlanders' setting step. This was remitted to the Publications Committee.
- (b) Mr Boode (Delft) said he had recently returned from Canada where he had found delight expressed at the way in which the examinations had been conducted. However, there was a feeling that the actual Certificate was not sufficiently impressive and looked old-fashioned. It was remitted to the Publications Committee to see if the Certificate could be made more attractive.
- (c) Mr Mechan (Hawaii) suggested that the Examinations Committee should look at the situation regarding examiners overseas. His suggestion was noted.

The meeting closed at 4.30 p.m.

Margaret G. Parket

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING HELD AT
33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH, ON SATURDAY,
19TH NOVEMBER, 1983, AT 2 P.M.

PRESENT: Mrs. M. G. Parker, (in the Chair), Dr. A. MacFadyen, Mr. D. Macleod,
Mr. A. S. Aitkenhead, Mr. J. Drewry, Mrs. N. Dunn, Mrs. A. Holden,
Miss D. Leurs, Miss D. A. Paterson, Miss G. E. McDonald, Mr. I. G. R.
Zobel, Mr. C. McDougall, Mrs. J. Bain, Dr. Paterson, Miss F. I. Galway,
Mr. B. Frazer, Mr. R. E. Green, Mr. I. M. Birnie, Mr. S. Grant,
Mrs. S. Nedderman, Mrs. A. Murphy, Mrs. A. MacDougall, Mrs. B. Wass,
Mr. C. Mackay, Mrs. M. Hopkins, Mr. T. J. Leslie, Mr. J. Hutton,
Mr. A. L. M. Boode, Mr. W. Hamilton, Mr. K. Stacey, Miss E. M. C. Ferguson,
Mr. K. Sharp, Mrs. I. C. Cruickshanks, Mrs. A. Coupar, Miss A. W. Miller,
Mr. L. Thomson, Miss M. M. Brown, Miss M. M. Ross, Mrs. W. J. Wadsworth,
Mr. T. W. Steele, Miss G. Wyper, Mrs. L. Gaul, Mr. G. Mechan, Mrs. F. C.
Inglis, Mrs. M. Linklater-Shirras, Miss A. Allan, Mrs. M. J. Boode,
Miss N. J. Arnott, Mrs. D. E. Christie, Mrs. E. Stoddart, Gp. Capt.
J. D. S. Huxley, Mr. A. Harrison, Mrs. A. Green, Mrs. J. M. Taylor,
Mr. J. Laurie, Mrs. J. H. Sandilands, Miss M. Brander, Dr. I. M. Hall,
Mrs. M. Killeen, Mr. D. R. Warburton, Miss N. Rintoul, Mr. J. B. Dickson,
Mr. J. Wilson, Mr. J. C. Douglas, Mr. W. Clement, Miss I. Mundie,
Miss B. A. Nairn, Mr. N. Bird, Miss E. Downie, Mr. B. C. Campbell,
Mr. S. McMillan, Mr. R. Turnbull, Mrs. M. C. Gudger, Mrs. J. Hewat,
Mr. J. Soahill, Mr. H. Thompson, Mr. C. S. Hilton, Mr. W. A. Gray,
Mr. J. Taylor, Miss F. Martin, Mr. R. Sutherland, Mr. W. J. McC. Thomson,
Mr. G. Burnett, Mr. D. Ross, Miss A. M. Duffield, Mrs. M. Corson,
Mr. W. Bishop, Miss M. H. Anderson (89)

ATTENDING: Miss M. M. Gibson (Secretary), Mrs. M. A. Jeffcoat (Treasurer)

EC83/7 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed representatives to the Executive Council and especially those who were attending Council for the first time. She was sure members would find the work interesting and reminded them that they were the policy-makers for the Society.

Mrs. Parker made reference to Miss Gairns Bowie who had been Secretary of Stirlingshire Branch for 30 years and a member of the Society for 50 years. She had died three months ago and the Chairman said that the large attendance of Society members at her funeral was a great tribute to the loyal service she had given the Society; she asked Mr. Taylor (Stirlingshire Branch) to pass on the Executive Council's condolences to Miss Bowie's relatives.

EC83/8 APOLOGIES

Miss Bennett, Mrs. Baikie, Mr. D. Campbell, Mr. D. A. Gray, Mr. Greenyer, Miss M. Lee, Mrs. Lisk, Mrs. Monk, Mr. McCann, Miss Paton, Miss Shaw, Mr. van Zon.

EC83/9 MINUTES

The Secretary intimated two corrections to the Minutes:

- (a) Mr. H. Van Zon's name was to be added to the apologies
- (b) EC83/5(b)(i): In the first line 'proposed' was to be deleted and 'suggested' substituted; in the second line 'Miss Margaret McLaren (examiner)' was to be deleted and 'both examiners' substituted.

Gp. Capt. Huxley moved a further correction and it was agreed *nom. con.* that in the second last line of his motion 'Miss McLaren' be deleted and 'both examiners' substituted.

The Secretary reported that, in fact, a letter had been sent to Miss Arnott and Council agreed that no further action was necessary in this matter.

Mrs. Linklater-Shirras (Inverness-shire) seconded by Miss Miller (Duns) moved that, with these amendments, the Minutes be approved and Council agreed unanimously.

EC83/10 BUSINESS ARISING

- (a) EC83/5(a)(iv) The Chairman informed Council that it was the intention to produce two records in 1984.
- (b) EC83/5(o)(ii) The Chairman announced that no one had sent in any ideas regarding publicity.

EC83/11 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

(a) Examinations Committee

- (i) Minutes of Meeting on 11th June, 1983
The Minutes, already approved, were ratified unanimously.
- (ii) Minutes of Meeting on 24th September, 1983.
The Minutes were approved and duly ratified.

(b) Summer School Committee

The Minutes of the meeting on 6th August, 1983, were approved and ratified.

but see also GP 83/33

(c) Publications and Research Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 8th October, 1983.
Mr. Hamilton's name was added to those present and the last two items were renumbered PR83/22 and PR83/23.
With those amendments the Minutes were approved.

Miss Galway (Belfast) asked that at some time in the future the Reel of the Royal Scots be recorded by a Band.

Dr. Paterson (Bath) asked that the Committee consider putting the present leaflets into a book.

It was agreed that these comments would be passed to the Publications Committee for their consideration.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(d) Finance Committee

- (i) Minutes of Meeting on 6th August, 1983 (already approved)
Miss Brown (Edinburgh) referring to Item F83/40 urged that accessories should be produced in this country as far as possible as visitors wished to take back mementos of their visit to Scotland. The Convener of the Finance Committee said this policy would be kept before the Committee but explained that there were difficulties.
The Minutes were duly ratified.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 22nd October, 1983.

The Minutes were approved.
Referring to Minute F83/50 Mr. W. A. Gray (South Wales) moved that the alternative choices for 1984 be from Books with Music 6-31 and all pocket editions. Dr. I. Hall (Manchester) seconded the motion which was carried by a large majority.
With this amendment the Minutes were ratified.

(e) General Purposes Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 22nd October, 1983.
Dr. A. MacFadyen (Vice Chairman) requested that under GP83/32(a) there should be added "He felt that the standards of dancing did reflect the standards maintained by the resident examiners in New Zealand and Australia over the past years". Council agreed to this addition.

Mrs. Linklater-Shirras (Inverness and District) asked that under GP83/27(a) "Inverness-shire" be added after "Argyll". This was agreed.

With these amendments the Minutes were approved.

Referring to Minute GP83/33 Mr. J. Taylor (Stirlingshire) moved that the Director of Summer School be appointed by the Executive Council and not by the A.G.M. This motion was seconded by Group Capt. Huxley and carried by an overwhelming majority.

Mrs. Holden (Elected Member) referring to the appointment of Director Designate (SS83/5) in the year prior to taking over as Director at Summer School, asked if the Summer School Committee would consider involving the Deputy Directors to a greater extent in the preparation for Summer School. It was agreed to pass this to the Summer School Committee for consideration.

Mr. T. Steele (Glasgow Branch) referring to GP83/34, and seconded by Mrs. L. Gaul (Hamilton (Ontario)) moved that the Honorary Archivist be appointed to the Executive Council. This was carried by an overwhelming majority.

The Minutes of the General Purposes Committee were ratified as presented with the exception that the Director of Summer School and the Honorary Archivist would be appointed by the Executive Council.

EC83/12

TIMETABLE FOR MEETINGS (1984 unless otherwise stated)

Dates and times for Committee Meetings were decided as follows:

(a) Executive Council

12th May	(Edinburgh)	at 2 p.m.
17th November	do.	at 1.30 p.m.

(b) Finance Committee

14th January	(Edinburgh)	at 2 p.m.
14th April	do.	do.
4th August	(St. Andrews)	do.
13th October	(Edinburgh)	do.

(c) General Purposes Committee

14th January	(Edinburgh)	at 10.30 a.m.
14th April	do.	do.
13th October	do.	do.

(d) Examinations Committee

10th December, 1983	(Edinburgh)	at 10.30 a.m.
19th May	do.	do.

(e) Publications and Research Committee

4th December, 1983	(Edinburgh)	at 10.30 a.m.
7th January	do.	do.
4th February	do.	do.
10th March	do.	do.
7th April	do.	do.
15th September	do.	do.
20th October	do.	do.

(f) Summer School Committee

19th November, 1983	(Edinburgh)	at 5 p.m.
4th August	(St. Andrews)	do.

It was agreed that there would be another meeting and it was left to the committee to arrange the date. (This has since been decided as 25th March at 2 p.m.)

(g) Annual General Meeting

3rd November (Glasgow) at 2.30 p.m.

EC83/13 APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

(a) Finance Committee

Mrs. M. G. Parker (Chairman), Dr. A. MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mr. J. C. Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne & Dist.)
- Miss F. I. Galway (Belfast)
- Gp. Capt. J.D.S. Huxley (Loamington Spa)
- Miss A. W. Miller (Duns & District)
- Miss D. A. Paterson (Elected Member)
- Miss M. M. Ross (Forres)
- Mr. J. Taylor (Stirlingshire)

Mr. Taylor was duly elected Convener

(b) General Purposes Committee

Mrs. M. G. Parker (Chairman and Convener), Dr. A. MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman), Mr. J. Taylor (Finance Convener) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss A. M. Duffield (West Lothian)
- Mrs. N. Dunn (Elected Member)
- Mr. B. Frazer (Berks, Hants, Surrey Border)
- Mr. W. A. Gray (South Wales)
- Mr. J. Laurie (London)
- Miss D. Lours (Elected Member)
- Mrs. A. Murphy (Carlisle & Border)
- Miss B. A. Nairn (Porth & Perthshire)
- Mr. T. Steele (Glasgow)

(c) Examinations Committee

Mrs. M. G. Parker (Chairman), Dr. A. MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss M. H. Anderson (TAC)
- Mrs. M. Corson (Winnipeg)
- Mrs. A. Holden (Elected Member)
- Miss G. E. McDonald (Aberdeen)
- Mr. G. Mochan (Hawaii)

Miss M. H. Anderson was duly elected Convener

(d) Publications & Research Committee

Mrs. M. G. Parker (Chairman), Dr. A. MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman), and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss M. Brown (Edinburgh)
- Mr. W. Clement (No. Virginia)
- Mr. J. Drewry (Elected Member)
- Mr. W. Hamilton (Detroit)
- Mr. D. Macleod (Director, Summer School)

Mr. D. Macleod was duly elected Convener

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(e) Summer School Committee

Mrs. M. G. Parker (Chairman), Dr. A. MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman), and Mr. D. Macleod (Director of Summer School and Convener) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mr. A. S. Aitkenhead (Elected Member)
- Miss N. J. Arnott (Kirkcaldy)
- Mrs. L. Gaul (Hamilton - Ont.)
- Mr. I. G. R. Zobel (Atlanta)

EC83/14 AFFILIATIONS

The following applications to affiliate were approved:

- Edmonton Scottish Society, Alberta, Canada
- Kilmorack S.C.D. Class, Beaulieu
- Fortrose S.C.D. Club, Ross-shire
- Fordingbridge S. Dancing Club, Hants.

EC83/15 REPRESENTATION TO OTHER ORGANISATIONS

(a) Mr. Clement had intimated his resignation as the Society's representative to the Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing. Mr. Clement, seconded by Mr. Hutton, proposed that Mr. R. Watson be invited to take Mr. Clement's place.

Mr. Aitkenhead seconded by Dr. Hall proposed Neil Grant.

Voting: For Mr. R. Watson 42 votes
 For Mr. N. Grant 36 votes

Mr. Watson would therefore be invited to represent the Society at SOBHD meetings.

(b) The Society had at the moment no representative to the Scottish Sports Council. Proposed by Mr. Hamilton and seconded by Mr. Taylor, it was unanimously agreed that Mr. Macleod should undertake this responsibility.

EC83/16 OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Miss Galway suggested that those nominated as Elected Members should be seated together at the A.G.M. at a point where they could be seen by all delegates. It was agreed that the Secretary should include appropriate instructions to host branches and inform candidates for election.

(b) Mr. S. Grant (Bristol) raised the following queries:

- (i) His Branch felt the contents of the Bulletin to be of dubious value and would like to see hints to teachers which might be of more use than the information content of the Bulletin at present.
- (ii) He asked if the Bulletin could contain a list of bands available to travel around the country and as far afield as Bristol.
- (iii) He also asked was there any means whereby the income arising from the Life and Long Term Members be made available to Branches.

(Secretary's note: Half of Life and Long Term Membership has been retained by Branches who will already have the income derived from investing that sum)

As Mr. Grant had to leave before these points could be discussed it was agreed to put them to the Editor of the Bulletin and the appropriate Committees (Publications and Finance).

- (o) Mrs. Holden (Elected Member) suggested that recipients of Scrolls should receive an invitation to attend the A.G.M. direct from Headquarters with information regarding seating arrangements for them. This will be put to the General Purposes Committee; the Secretary will include appropriate instructions regarding seating to host branches.
- (d) Mr. Harrison (Leeds) asked that the Publications Committee consider the possibility of printing the music larger in the books to help pianists see it more clearly.
- (e) Mr. Sharp (Dumbartonshire West) seconded by Miss Ross (Forres) moved that the November meeting of the Executive Council start at 1.30 p.m. This was agreed. (Secretary's Note: The time has been adjusted in Minute EC83/12(a))
- (f) Miss Martin (Stirlingshire East) suggested that a public address system should be used at the Executive Council meetings. It was agreed that the feasibility of this suggestion would be investigated.
- (g) Mr. Mechan suggested that at Annual General Meetings something in the nature of a buffet supper should be considered rather than a set meal. He also suggested having an Open Forum at A.G.Ms. These suggestions would go to the General Purposes Committee for consideration.
- (h) Miss Brown (Edinburgh) proposed that the General Purposes Committee should look at alternative ways of electing members to Committees. This motion was seconded by Miss Paterson who suggested it might also be discussed in Branches. It was agreed to remit consideration of this matter to the General Purposes Committee.
- (i) Mr. Sharp (Dumbartonshire West) proposed that nominations for the various Committees be taken in a different order each year and was seconded by Mrs. MacDougall (Carnoustie). Miss Brown opposed the motion and suggested that it be left to the General Purposes Committee and Mr. Sharp accepted her suggestion.
- (j) Mr. Zobel (Atlanta Branch) moved a vote of thanks to Duns and District Branch who, as a Diamond Jubilee project, had provided an excellent lunch for the Executive Council representatives before the meeting; this was heartily endorsed by the meeting.

The meeting closed at 5 p.m. with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

(a) General Purposes Committee
 Mrs. J. Holden (Elected Member)
 Mr. J. Harrison (Leeds)
 Mr. J. Mechan (Dumbartonshire West)
 Mr. J. Sharp (Dumbartonshire West)
 Miss J. Ross (Forres)
 Miss J. Martin (Stirlingshire East)
 Miss J. Brown (Edinburgh)
 Miss J. Paterson (Edinburgh)
 Mrs. J. MacDougall (Carnoustie)
 Mr. J. Zobel (Atlanta Branch)

The following resolutions were proposed and carried:
 1. That the General Purposes Committee be requested to consider the possibility of printing the music larger in the books to help pianists see it more clearly.
 2. That the November meeting of the Executive Council start at 1.30 p.m.
 3. That a public address system should be used at the Executive Council meetings.
 4. That the General Purposes Committee should look at alternative ways of electing members to Committees.
 5. That nominations for the various Committees be taken in a different order each year.
 6. That a vote of thanks be passed to Duns and District Branch for providing an excellent lunch for the Executive Council representatives before the meeting.

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING HELD
AT 33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH, ON SATURDAY,
12TH MAY, 1984, AT 2 P.M.

PRESENT: Mrs. M.G. Parker (in the Chair), Mr. J. Drewry, Mrs. N. Dunn,
Miss G.E. McDonald, Mr. I. McDiarmid, Mr. I.G.R. Zobel, Miss J.
Galloway, Mr. C. McDougall, Mrs. J. Bain, Dr. Paterson,
Miss F.I. Galway, Mr. B. Frazer, Miss B. Fawdry, Mr. D. Gray,
Mrs. S. Nedderman, Mrs. A. Murphy, Mrs. A. MacDougall, Mrs. B. Wass,
Mrs. M.H. Hopkins, Mr. J. Hutton, Mr. W. Hamilton, Miss E.M.C. Ferguson,
Mr. K. Sharp, Mrs. I.C. Cruickshanks, Mrs. A. Coupar, Miss A.W. Miller,
Mr. L. Thomson, Miss M.M. Brown, Mrs. M.S. Baikie, Mr. A. Grant,
Mrs. W.J. Wadsworth, Mr. T.W. Steele, Miss G. Wyper, Mrs. L. Gaul,
Mr. G. Mechan, Mrs. F.C. Inglis, Mrs. M. Linklater-Shirras, Miss A.
Allan, Miss N.J. Arnott, Mrs. D.E. Christie, Gp. Capt. J.D.S. Huxley,
Mr. A. Harrison, Mrs. H. Wilson, Mrs. A. Greene, Mrs. J.M. Taylor,
Mr. J. Laurie, Mrs. J.H. Sandilands, Miss M. Brander, Dr. I.M. Hall,
Mrs. M. Killeen, Mr. D.R. Warburton, Miss N. Rintoul, Mr. J.B. Dickson,
Mr. J. Wilson, Mr. J.C. Douglas, Miss K. McLauchlan, Mr. W. Clement,
Mr. G. Davie, Miss B.A. Nairn, Mr. N. Bird, Mr. B.C. Campbell,
Mr. S. McMillan, Mr. R. Turnbull, Mrs. M.C. Gudger, Mr. J. Hewat,
Mr. J. Scahill, Mr. H. Thompson, Miss E. Miller, Mr. C.S. Hilton,
Mr. W.A. Gray, Mr. J. Taylor, Miss F. Martin, Mr. R. Sutherland,
Mr. W.J.M. Thomson, Mr. D. Ross, Miss A.M. Duffield, Mrs. M. Corson,
Mr. M. Brown, Miss M.H. Anderson, (79)

ATTENDING: Miss M.M. Gibson (Secretary) Mrs. M.A. Jeffcoat (Treasurer)

EC84/1 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed members and said she was pleased to report that our President, the Earl of Mansfield, was making good progress towards complete recovery and that Mr. James Taylor, Finance Convener, was present and now in very good health after his illness. Mr. Macleod (Director of Summer School) and Mrs. Holden (Elected Member) were both unable to attend the meeting owing to illness and the Secretary was requested to send to both Council's good wishes for a speedy recovery.

On a sadder note, the Chairman reported that she had attended the funeral of Miss Isobel Elliott, a former Chairman of Glasgow Branch. Her untimely death had deprived the Society of her good services and she would be greatly missed.

EC84/2 APOLOGIES

Mr. A.S. Aitkenhead, Miss I. Bennett, Mr. I.M. Birnie, Mrs. M.J. Boode,
Mr. A. Boode, Miss E. Downie, Mr. A. Greenyer, Mrs. A.H. Holden,
Miss D. Leurs, Mrs. H.T. Lisk, Mr. T.P. McCann, Dr. A. MacFadyen,
Mr. D. Macleod, Mrs. D. Monk, Miss I. Mundie, Mr. D. Campbell,
Mr. C. Mackay, Miss D.A. Paterson

EC84/3 MINUTES

With the addition of Mr. Davie (Oxford Branch) to the list of those present and on page 3, fifth paragraph, line 3, the deletion of 'to' and substitution of 'by' the Minutes were approved.

EC84/4 BUSINESS ARISING

There was no business arising which was not already included in the Agenda.

EC84/5 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(a) Summer School Committee

- (i) Minutes of Meeting on 19th November, 1983
The Minutes (already approved) were duly ratified.
- (ii) Minutes of Meeting on 25th March, 1984.

The Minutes were approved.
Dr. Paterson (Bath Branch) referring to SS84/6(a) suggested that consideration be given to instruction in music for teachers of Scottish Country Dancing.
The Minutes were duly ratified.

EC84/5 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS (Contd)

(b) Examinations Committee

The Minutes of the meeting on 10th December, 1983, were approved.

Minute EX83/30, second paragraph, was considered to be ambiguous and Mr. Sharp (Dunbartonshire West Branch) suggested that when included in the Examiners' Seminar Agenda it should be made clear that the discussion related to restricting individual comments to one point in time in the examinations.

Mr. Mechan suggested that it was unnecessary to have any more examiners added to the present list. It was agreed that this would be discussed at the next meeting of the Examinations Committee of which Mr. Mechan was a member.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(c) Finance Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 14th January, 1984

Dr. Paterson (Bath) considered that the offer made to Paterson's Publications in respect of breaking the existing agreements with them, was too generous. Mr. Thomson (Sutton Coldfield Branch) thought that, in the circumstances the sum of £2,000 offered was reasonable. The Secretary informed the meeting that pending a satisfactory settlement in respect of royalties the Society had withdrawn the offer of £2,000 for the transfer of the Society of publishing rights for 'Won't You Join The Dance?' and Books 1-5. Dr. Paterson was assured by Mr. Taylor (Finance Convener) that any further progress in the negotiations with Paterson's Publications would be reported in the Finance Committee Minutes.

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The Minutes (already approved) were duly ratified.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 14th April, 1984

The Minutes were approved.

Mr. Taylor drew the attention of representatives to the increases for travel expenses authorised from 1st July, 1984 (F84/28)

Referring to Minute F84/29 Mr. Brown (York and North Humberside Branch) suggested that Branches should be given details of any rulings/regulations from the Performing Rights Society. This was generally agreed and information would be given once the Secretary had a clear understanding of the situation from the PRS and other organisations involved. She was presently in correspondence with the P.R.S.

The Finance Convener drew members' attention to the availability for sale of a Music Centre (F84/27).

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(d) General Purposes Committee

(i) Minutes of the Meeting on 14th January, 1984.

GP84/4(e) The Council, noting that the Constitution for the Co-ordinating Committee for Northern Ireland had been approved, gave approval for the appointment of the undernoted members to the Co-ordinating Committee:

- Mrs. B. Smith and Miss M. Beattie Belfast Branch
- Mr. N. Brown and Mr. J. Thompson Whitehead Branch
- Miss L. Carson and Miss M. Rooney Portrush Branch

GP84/4(f) - The Model Branch Constitution was discussed.

Mr. Thompson (San Francisco Branch) was concerned about Branches in the U.S.A. and considered that certain sections of the model constitution might be too narrowly drawn. On his proposal it was unanimously agreed that 'specified modifications to the Model Constitution would be accepted to meet local circumstances where there were explicit legal requirements - applications for modification to be supported by evidence to that effect.'

Miss Galway (Belfast Branch), seconded by Mr. Hamilton (Detroit Branch) moved that in Clause II(c) of the Model Constitution 'Dances' should be deleted and 'Dancing and Music' be substituted. This was agreed.

Mr. Gray (South Wales Branch) seconded by Mr. Brown (York and North Humberside Branch) referring to Clause IV 'Office Bearers', moved that any limitation of the Chairman's period of office should be included within the Constitution and the asterisked note so amended.

Mr. Laurie (London Branch) seconded by Mrs. Wass (Castle Douglas Branch) moved that the asterisked note should remain unaltered. Mr. Gray's motion was defeated by an overwhelming majority.

Dr. Paterson (Bath Branch) seconded by Mr. Brown (York and North Humberside Branch) moved that in Clause II(a) "of merit" be deleted. Mrs. Gaul (Hamilton Ontario) seconded by Mr. Mechan (Hawaii) opposed the amendment.

Dr. Paterson's amendment was defeated by an obvious majority.

At this stage Mrs. Murphy (Carlisle and Border Branch) moved that 'the question be now put'; this was agreed and Council approved the Model Constitution as amended at Clause II(c).

The following motion was approved by Council for inclusion in the agenda of the Annual General Meeting in November, 1984:

"that the Constitution and Rules, 1980, be amended as follows:

- (a) Amendment to the Constitution and Rules 1980
 - VI Executive Council (1) Membership, page 5, line 3
 - After 'School' insert 'and the Honorary Archivist'.
 - Line 4 - at end delete 'a'
 - Line 5 - delete 'member' insert 'members'
- (b) VI(4)(d) Publications and Research Committee
 - Delete first paragraph
 - Substitute "This Committee shall consist of eight members including the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Honorary Archivist."

The Minutes (already approved) were duly ratified.

(ii) Minutes of the Meeting on 14th April, 1984

The Minutes were approved.

Mrs. M.C. Gudger (Rochdale Branch) asked that her name be removed from the list of those nominated for the award of a Scroll. Council approved the nomination of the following members for the award of the Society's Scroll:

Miss Florence Adams	Parent Branch: Glasgow
Miss Nancy Arnott	Kirkcaldy
Mr. Robert Campbell	Toronto
Mrs. Ivy Finn	Manchester
Miss Helen Gardiner-Jones	Wolverhampton
Miss Lottie Kane	Belfast
Mrs. Win Nock	North West Craven
Mrs. Agnes McN. Smith	Capetown

In reply to a query by Mr. Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne Branch) the meeting was informed that the Annual General Meeting in 1986 would be held on 1st November in that year.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(c) Publications & Research Committee

(i) Minutes of meeting on 4th December, 1983

Mr. Frazer (Berks, Hants, Surrey Border Branch) suggested that whenever there was a new publication of dances there should be a recording of the music for the dances. The Publications and Research Committee would be asked to note the suggestion.

The Minutes (already approved) were ratified.

BC84/5 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS - Publications Committee (contd)

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 7th January, 1984.

Mr. Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne Branch) considered it wrong to issue a numbered book and not make it a subscription copy. Mr. Laurie (London Branch) supported the Publication Committee's decision to number the book of new dances.

Mr. Steele (Glasgow Branch) seconded by Mr. D.A. Gray (Bournemouth Branch) moved

"that the subscription copy of the Society be the main publication of the year and that when there is no new publication any Society book may be the subscription copy".

Voting: For Mr. Steele's motion - 32
Against 1
Abstentions 43

Mr. Steele's motion was carried.

Mr. Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne Branch) seconded by Mr. W.A. Gray (South Wales Branch) moved

"that there should never be published in the same year a book of new dances and a Pocket Edition."

The motion was carried unanimously.

After some discussion on the numbering of books and the number of dances in the books, it was agreed on Miss Anderson's (TAC) suggestion that the Publications Committee should give further consideration to these matters.

The Minutes were ratified.

(iii) Minutes of Meeting on 4th February, 1984

The Minutes (already approved) were ratified.

(iv) Minutes of the Meeting on 24/25th March, 1984

The Minutes (already approved) were ratified.

(v) Minutes of the Meeting on 7th April, 1984.

The Minutes were approved.

Mr. Taylor (Stirlingshire Branch) said that the dance 'Just for Fun' was already known and produced a typed copy; he suggested that it should not be included in the next book. The matter was remitted to the Publications and Research Committee for their consideration.

In this respect there appeared to be some doubt as to the criteria for acceptance of recently devised dances for publication by the Society; it was explained that, by and large, dances should be 'new' i.e. not widely, nor within a locality well, known and the copyright must be assigned to the Society.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

BC84/6 AFFILIATIONS

Approval was given for the affiliation of the following Groups:

- Borg International Folk Dance Club, Norway
- St. Andrew Ceilidh Dancers, Tallahassee, Florida
- Northallerton Caledonian Society, Yorkshire

BC84/7 CONSTITUTION

The Constitution of Adelaide Branch was approved.

BC84/8 OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Frazer (Berks, Hants, Surrey Border Branch) queried the lack of any literature or publication with guidance for organisers of festivals. The Chairman said that it was not for the Society to lay down rules for festivals organised by independent authorities.

BC84/9 NEXT MEETING

17th November, 1984.

The meeting closed at 4.45 p.m.

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT 33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH,
ON SATURDAY, 17TH NOVEMBER, 1984, AT
1.30 PM

PRESENT: Mrs M G Parker (in the Chair), Dr A MacFadyen, Mr D Macleod, Mr A S Aitkenhead, Miss I Bennett, Miss M Brown, Miss A B W Mann, Miss L C Martin, Miss D Paterson, Mr J Drowry, Mr I McDiarmid, Mr I Zobel, Miss I Paton, Mr C McDougall, Mrs J Bain, Dr A Paterson, Miss F I Galway, Mr B Frazer, Mrs S Nedderman, Mrs A Murphy, Mrs A MacDougall, Mrs M H Hopkins, Miss E Price, Mr J Hutton, Mr A L M Boode, Mr W Hamilton, Miss E M C Ferguson, Mr K Sharp, Mrs A Couper, Miss A W Miller, Mrs H T Lisk, Mr L Thomson, Mr A Smart, Mrs A Holden, Mrs M S Baikie, Miss M M Ross, Mr C P Wadsworth, Mr T W Steele, Miss G Wyper, Mrs L Gaul, Mr G Mechan, Mrs F C Inglis, Mrs M Linklater-Shirras, Mr D Campbell, Miss A Allan, Mrs M J Boode, Miss N J Arnott, Mrs D Christie, Mr A Craig, Mr D Kendall, Mrs H Wilson, Mrs A Green, Mrs J Taylor, Mr J Laurie, Mrs J Sandilands, Miss M Brander, Dr I M Hall, Mrs M Killeen, Mr D R Warburton, Mrs C Taylor, Miss N Rintoul, Mr J B Dickson, Mr J Wilson, Mr J C Douglas, Miss K McLauchlan, Mr W Clement, Mr G Davie, Mrs R Brodie, Mr B Campbell, Mr S McMillan, Mr R Turnbull, Mrs H Hewat, Mr J Seahill, Mrs A Gibb, Mr R Mackay, Miss T Millar, Mr C S Hilton, Mr W A Gray, Mr J Taylor, Miss F Martin, Mr R Sutherland, Mr W Thomson, Mrs E Kemp, Mr C Burnett, Mr D Ross, Miss M Duffield, Mrs M Corson, Mr R T Taylor, Mr M L Brown, Miss M H Anderson. (90)

ATTENDING: Miss M M Gibson (Secretary), Mrs M A Jeffcoat (Treasurer)

EC84/10 APOLOGIES

Miss S Downie, Mrs C Forsyth, Mr A Greenyer, Mrs M C Gudger, Miss J Yeats, Miss I Mundie, Miss B Fawdry, Mrs B Wass, Mr I Birnie, Mrs I Cruickshank, Mr D Gray.

EC84/11 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman welcomed representatives to the meeting and hoped that those who were new representatives would find the meetings enjoyable and fruitful and assured them that it was at Council meetings that the Society's administration was effected.

It was with the greatest regret and deepest sorrow that she informed the meeting of David Huxley's death on the 9th of November. He was a tower of a man both physically and in every other respect. He had been a very loyal member of the Society; he and his wife had attended Summer School for 26 years where their contribution had been notable. He had given great service to the Finance Committee over a long period and where his knowledge, particularly of electronics, had been invaluable.

He was a charming man and he would be very sadly missed by this Society.

The Executive Council recorded their condolences and asked that the gist of the minute be sent to Mrs Huxley. As the funeral had been private it was decided to send Mrs Huxley flowers at an opportune moment.

Mrs Parker then thanked Miss Margaret Brown who had been responsible for organising the buffet lunch for members of the Executive Council. She said it had been an excellent lunch and asked Miss Brown to accept the thanks of the Executive Council for herself and her helpers. Mrs Parker said it had been Group Captain Huxley's intention to provide the wine with the lunch and Miss Roz Huxley had intimated that Mrs Huxley wished his intention to be carried out and had requested that the account be sent to her.

EC84/12 MINUTES

An amendment was made on page 2 of the Minutes, EC84/5(c)(i) line 8 where "of the Society" was altered to "to the Society". With this amendment the Minutes were approved.

EC84/13 BUSINESS ARISING

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

EC84/14 MINUTES OF COMMITTEE MEETINGS

(a) General Purposes Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 13th October, 1984
The Minutes were approved.

Mr Sharp (Dunbartonshire West) suggested that for greater clarity "the" in line 3 of GP84/27(a) should be altered to "a" and this was agreed.

In discussing the method of election to Standing Committees GP84/33, Mr Aitkenhead (Elected Member) considered that the method outlined in the Minute should be tried.

Mr Mechan (Hawaii) moved against the adoption of the minute and said Council would lose the right to nominate members of committees. The Chairman pointed out that the General Purposes Committee had acted at the request of the Executive Council.

Dr Hall (Manchester) asked if voting would be confined to those members present at the Council meeting. The Chairman confirmed that this would be so and that there would be no postal votes.

In response to a query from Mr Douglas (Newcastle Upon Tyne) the Chairman confirmed that those nominated timeously would, in the event of a shortfall for a committee, be elected prior to taking nominations from the floor of the meeting.

Mr Zobel (Atlanta) asked if the Committee had given any thought, with continuity in mind, to the period to be served on committees. The Chairman said that all committees and the two office bearers had to be elected annually.

In reply to Mrs Linklater-Shirras (Inverness and District) the Chairman ruled that a member would express a preference only for one committee.

On a vote being taken 10 were against the system proposed in Minute GP84/33 while there was a very large majority for it. The new system would therefore be put into effect at the November, 1985 Executive Council meeting.

Centenary Celebration of Dr Milligan's Birth (GP84/34):
As the General Purposes Committee had not reached a decision regarding the venue the Chairman asked Dr MacFadyen (vice-Chairman) and Mr J Taylor (Stirlingshire) to speak to the two locations under consideration.

Dr MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman) spoke for Jordanhill College, Glasgow. While accommodation was limited to 170 residential places at the college, another 300 single bedrooms were available in the University Hostel, Queen Margaret Hall, only 5 minutes away from the College by car. It was a venue where Dr Milligan had worked, was near her family home, her School, and subsequent home. At 1985 prices the cost would work out at around £18 per head per day for board and residence. In reply to a question he said that this included VAT and that the greater the numbers, the more would be the discount. The weekend 11-13 was the weekend nearest to Dr Milligan's birthday.

Mr Taylor (Stirlingshire) said that Stirling University had beautiful grounds and could accommodate everyone, including families. The weekend available was 27-29 June. The cost from Friday evening, Saturday (with formal dinner) to Sunday lunch would cost approximately £48 plus VAT.

The meeting went on to discuss the two proposals thoroughly including the proximity of the celebration to Summer School (though Dr MacFadyen considered it might let some overseas Summer School members take in the weekend also) and the possibility of places for non-residents.

Mr J Taylor (Stirlingshire) moved that there be a small sub-committee formed to consider the matter and make recommendations to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman regarding appropriate action. Mr Boode (Delft) seconding the proposal suggested the committee should consist of three members of Executive Council.

Dr Paterson (Bath) proposed that the meeting should decide the date and venue and moved the direct negative to Mr Taylor's motion. He was seconded by Mr W A Gray (South Wales).

On a vote being taken there was an overwhelming majority against a sub-committee being formed and only 8 for.

The question of the venue was therefore put to the meeting with

42 votes for Jordanhill College, Glasgow
and 40 votes for Stirling University.

Dr MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman), seconded by Miss Bennett (Elected Member) moved that the date be 11, 12, 13th July, 1986. This was agreed unanimously.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(b) Finance Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 4th August, 1984
The Minutes, already approved, were duly ratified.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 13th October, 1984
The Minutes were approved.

Referring to F84/49(d) Mr Taylor (Stirlingshire) said that the case regarding VAT was in London at the moment and a reply was awaited.

Discussion then ensued on Minute F84/48(e) with members obviously concerned regarding the cost of certificate classes. Mr Mechan (Hawaii) asked that consideration should be given to the problem and Mr Taylor assured him that the matter was still open for discussion by the Finance Committee.

Mr Zobel (Atlanta) suggested that telephone message pads might be added to the accessories list.

Mr Brown (York and North Humberside) considered that this year's Bulletin was the best the Society has ever produced.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(c) Publications and Research Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 30th June/1st July, 1984 (already approved).

Mr Kendall (Leeds) did not consider that the amendment to "Weidpath Castle" was clear (top of page 3 of the Minute); this view was not supported and the Chairman explained that owing to exhaustion of stocks the book concerned had had to be printed.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

- (ii) Minutes of Meeting on 20th October, 1984
The Minutes were approved.

Mrs Sandilands (Lorn) regretted the lack of explanatory notes to accompany the video for Book 32 dances. Mr Macleod (Director of Summer School) said there was no need for explanatory notes since the publication itself was clear and should be read in conjunction with the film.

Mr Frazer (Berks, Hant, Surrey Border) complimented the Committee on the work they had done to up-date and to standardise the publications.

Mrs Murphy (Carlisle and Border) asked if there were set criteria before bands were approached regarding recordings. Mr Macleod said that within the committee members put forward various recommendations for well known bands; the policy originally laid down was that the Society should try to spread the opportunity to record so that there was a variety of bands. In reply to Mr Mechan (Hawaii) the Chairman said that Branches could send in recommendations for recording bands to the Publications Committee for consideration. In this connection Mr Hamilton (Detroit) suggested that anyone recommending a band should send in a tape.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(d) Examinations Committee

- (i) Minutes of Meeting on 19th May, 1984 (already approved).

The Chairman drew attention to Minute EC84/3(b) and said that the teachers who had undertaken the teaching tours in Europe this year had proved excellent ambassadors for the Society. The Executive Council recorded their thanks and gratitude to the ladies concerned: Mrs J MacLean, Miss L C Martin, Mrs A H Holden and Mrs V Sim.

Mr Boode (Delft) on behalf of his Branch, thanked the Society for sending teachers to the Continent and Mrs Sim's visit to his Branch had been very much appreciated.

The Minutes were ratified.

- (ii) Minutes of Meeting on 18th August.
The Minutes were approved.

Mr Brown (York and North Humberside) asked if there was any comment on the Examiners' Seminar. Miss Anderson (TAC) said that the recommendations from the Examiners' Seminar had yet to go before the Examinations Committee and details would appear in the next Minutes.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(e) Summer School Committee

- Minutes of Meeting on 4th August, 1984
The Minutes were approved.

Mr Aitkenhead (Elected Member) considered that, in the interests of introducing new teachers at Summer School, the Director should be empowered to go out and see any teachers recommended as suitable. Mr Macleod (Director of Summer School) said he was now in a position to go round and see teachers. The Chairman drew the meeting's attention to SS84/12(f) where it was stated that any Branch who felt they had an outstanding teacher or musician could notify the Secretary at Headquarters.

Mr Aitkenhead (Elected Member) seconded by Mr Mechan (Hawaii) moved

"that in order that the Director of Summer School sees potential teachers he be given authority to visit where necessary to assess the contribution to be made by recommended teachers."

This was carried unanimously.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

EC84/15

TIMSTABLE OF MEETINGS (1985 unless otherwise stated)

Dates and times for Committee Meetings were decided as follows:

- (a) Executive Council

11th May	(Edinburgh)	at 1.30 pm
16th November	"	"
- (b) Finance Committee

19th January	(Edinburgh)	at 2 pm
20th April	"	"
3rd August	(St Andrews)	"
19th October	(Edinburgh)	"
- (c) General Purposes Committee

19th January	(Edinburgh)	at 10.30 am
20th April	"	"
19th October	"	"
- (d) Examinations Committee

23rd February	(Edinburgh)	at 10.30 am
18th May	"	"
- (e) Publications and Research Committee

12th January	(Edinburgh)	at 10.30 am
9th February	"	"
9th March	"	"
13th April	"	"
8th June	"	"
21st September	"	"
12th October	"	"
- (f) Summer School Committee

16th November	(Edinburgh)	at 5 pm
10th August	(St Andrews)	at 2 pm
- (g) Annual General Meeting

2nd November	(Helensburgh)	at 2.30 pm
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APPONTMENT OF COMMITTEES

(a) Finance Committee

Mrs M G Parker (Chairman), Dr A MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mr J C Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne & District)
- Miss A W Miller (Duns and District)
- Miss D A Paterson (Elected Member)
- Miss M M Ross (Forres)
- Mr J Taylor (Stirlingshire)
- Mr R Turnbull (Richmond)
- Mr C P Wadsworth (Gatehouse of Fleet)

Mr Taylor was duly elected Convener

(b) General Purposes Committee

Mrs M G Parker (Chairman and Convener), Dr A MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman), Mr J Taylor (Finance Convener) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss A M Duffield (West Lothian)
- Mr B Frazer (Berks, Hants, Surrey Border)
- Mr W A Gray (South Wales)
- Dr I M Hall (Manchester)
- Mr J Laurie (London)
- Mrs A Murphy (Carlisle and Border)
- Miss B A Nairn (Perth and Perthshire)
- Mr A Smart (Edinburgh)
- Mr T W Steele (Glasgow)

(c) Examinations Committee

Mrs M G Parker (Chairman, Dr A MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss M H Anderson (TAC)
- Mrs M Corson (Winnipeg)
- Mrs A H Holden (Florida)
- Miss L C Martin (Elected Member)
- Mr G Mechan (Hawaii)

Miss M H Anderson was duly elected Convener

(d) Publications and Research Committee

Mrs M G Parker (Chairman), Dr A MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss M Brander (Los Angeles)
- Miss M Brown (Elected Member)
- Mr W Clement (Northern Virginia)
- Mr J Drewry (Aberdeen)
- Mr W Hamilton (Detroit)
- Mr D Macleod (Director of Summer School)

Mr D Macleod was duly elected Convener

Mr. [Name] (Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

Mr. [Name] was duly elected Convener

(b) [Section Header]

Mrs. [Name] (Chairman and Convener) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss [Name] (West Lothian)
- Mr [Name] (Berks, Hants, Surrey Border)
- Mr [Name] (South Wales)
- Dr [Name] (Manchester)
- Mr [Name] (London)
- Mrs [Name] (Carlisle and Border)
- Miss [Name] (Perth and Perthshire)
- Mr [Name] (Edinburgh)
- Mr [Name] (Glasgow)

(c) [Section Header]

Mrs. [Name] (Chairman, Dr [Name] (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss [Name] (TAC)
- Mrs [Name] (Winnipeg)
- Mrs [Name] (Florida)
- Miss [Name] (Elected Member)
- Mr [Name] (Hawaii)

[Name] was duly elected Convener

(d) [Section Header]

Mrs. [Name] (Chairman), Dr [Name] (Vice-Chairman) and the following members who were elected having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Miss [Name] (Los Angeles)
- Miss [Name] (Elected Member)
- Mr [Name] (Northern Virginia)
- Mr [Name] (Aberdeen)
- Mr [Name] (Detroit)
- Mr [Name] (Director of Summer School)

[Name] was duly elected Convener

(e) Summer School Committee

Mrs M G Parker (Chairman), Dr A MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman), Mr D Macleod (Director of Summer School and Convener) and the following members who were elected, having been duly proposed and seconded:

- Mr A S Aitkenhead (Elected Member)
- Miss I Bennett (Elected Member)
- Mrs L Gaul (Hamilton-Ontario)
- Mr I G R Zobel (Atlanta)

EC84/17

BRANCH MOTIONS

(a) Mr W A Gray (South Wales) moved -

"that due to the fact that two books were published this year Book 32 will be offered as an alternative copy in 1985"

Mr Brown (York and North Humberside) seconded the motion.

It was generally agreed that "offered" should be deleted and "included" substituted and with that amendment the motion was unanimously carried.

(b) On behalf of Canberra Branch Mrs Hopkins (Clackmannanshire) seconded by Mr Burnett (Toronto) moved -

"that, in conducting examinations, it will be obligatory for examiners to provide candidates with written reports on their performances whether they pass or fail.

This would be of benefit not only to the candidates but to the teachers who prepare them for examinations."

It was intimated that Mornington Peninsula Branch had cabled their support for the motion.

Dr Paterson (Bath) moved that the motion be amended to read -

"that, in conducting examinations, each candidates should be given a short written comment on their performance whether they pass or fail"

Dr Hall (Manchester) seconded the motion.

On a vote being taken the amendment was carried by 51 votes FOR
5 AGAINST

After further discussion Miss Anderson (TAC) said that the Examinations Committee should have time to consider the matter and she accordingly moved that the motion be remitted to the Examinations Committee. Mrs Holden seconded the motion.

Voting: For the Remit to the Examinations Committee - 69
Against " " " " " - 11.

The motion would therefore go to the Examinations Committee and would be brought back to the next Executive Council Meeting with recommendations.

Dr I M Hall (Manchester) asked that when the motion was discussed at the Examinations Committee could the Committee look at the system at music examinations: he suggested a similar system might be used for RSCDS examinations.

Mr Gray (South Wales) cited the form used by the Highland Dancing examiners.

EC84/18

AFFILIATIONS

Approval was given for the affiliation of the following groups:

- (a) Tri-Cities Scottish Country Dancers (USA)
- (b) Mumbles Scottish Dancers (Wales)
- (c) Boggs Country Dance Club (Scotland)

EC84/19

CONSTITUTIONS

An amendment to Hunter Valley Branch Constitution was approved.

EC84/20

OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Pricing of publications: Mrs Linklater-Shirras (Inverness and District) asked if it was in order to reprice books with a new sticker. Mr Taylor (Stirlingshire) said it was generally accepted practice.
- (b) Mr Boode (Delft) said that with the present expansion of the Society and formation of new Branches in non-English speaking parts of the world it was imperative that the Society consider the difficulties which confront the non-English speaking members, for example - correspondence with Headquarters, Constitutions, teaching of foreign students and training of foreign teachers of Scottish Country Dancing who in many cases will teach their students in a foreign tongue, while the examiners sent by the Society will not understand the language used.

He considered the Society should formulate a policy with regard to these matters.

In view of examinations which are to take place in the Netherlands very shortly immediate attention should be given to the problem and he asked if some direction could be given by the Executive Council as if the matter were to be remitted to a committee ratification by Council would be too late for the examinations.

It was unanimously agreed that the problems outlined by Mr Boode could not immediately be solved and that the Examinations Committee should consider them in detail. In the meantime, so far as the forthcoming examinations in the Netherlands were concerned, it was hoped that the organisers could find an interpreter to attend.

- (c) Mr Sharp (Dunbartonshire West) pointed out that at the AGM candidates for "Elected Members" had not sat together as the Executive Council had demanded. The matter was noted for next year's AGM.
- (d) Miss Galway (Belfast) said that the affiliated groups in Northern Ireland did not wish to be listed under Ireland. (This matter was already being dealt with at Headquarters).

EC84/21

NEXT MEETING

11th May, 1985

Margaret J. Parker

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN
THE GROSVENOR HOTEL, GROSVENOR STREET, EDINBURGH
ON SATURDAY, 11TH MAY, 1985 AT 2.00 PM

Present: Mrs M G Parker (in the Chair), Dr A MacFadyen, Mr D Macleod,
Mr A S Aitkenhead, Miss M Brown, Miss A B W Mann, Miss L C Martin,
Mr J Drewry, Mr I McDiarmid, Mr I Zobel, Miss I Paton, Mr C McDougall,
Mrs J Bain, Dr A Paterson, Miss F I Galway, Mr B Frazer,
Miss A E Johnston, Miss B Fawdry, Mr D A Gray, Mrs S Nedderman,
Mrs A Murphy, Mrs A MacDougall, Mrs B Wass, Mr J Fyfe, Mrs M H Hopkins,
Miss E Price, Mr J Hutton, Mr W Hamilton, Mr K Stacey,
Miss E M C Ferguson, Mr K Sharp, Mrs I Cruikshanks, Mrs A Coupar,
Miss A W Miller, Mr L Thomson, Mrs R Brodie, Mrs A Holden,
Mrs M S Baikie, Mrs K Smith, Mr T W Steele, Miss G Wyper, Mrs L Gaul,
Mr G Mechan, Mrs F C Inglis, Mrs M Linklater-Shirras, Miss A Allan,
Mrs M J Boode, Mr G Stephens, Mrs D Christie, Mrs M Duffield,
Mr D Kendall, Mrs H Wilson, Mrs A Green, Mrs J Taylor, Mr J Laurie,
Miss M Brander, Mrs M Killeen, Mr D Warburton, Mrs C Taylor,
Mr J B Dickson, Mr J Wilson, Mr J C Douglas, Miss K McLauchlan,
Mr W Clement, Miss I Mundie, Miss J Yeats, Mr G Davie, Dr J Reinstein,
Mrs H Downie, Mr S McMillan, Mr R Turnbull, Mrs M C Gudger,
Mrs J Hewat, Mr J Scahill, Mr H S Thompson, Miss E Millar,
Mr C S Hilton, Mr W A Gray, Mr J Taylor, Miss F Martin, Mr R Sutherland,
Mr W Thomson, Mr G Burnett, Mr D Ross, Miss M Duffield, Mrs M Corson,
Mr R J Taylor, Mr M L Brown, Miss M H Anderson (89)

Attending: Miss M M Gibson (Secretary), Mrs M A Jeffcoat (Treasurer)

EC85/1 APOLOGIES

Miss I Bennett, Mr A Boode, Mr B Campbell, Mr D Campbell, Dr I Hall,
Miss M Menmuir, Miss B A Nairn, Miss D A Paterson, Mrs N Rintoul,
Mrs A Gibb.

EC85/2 OBITUARIES

The Chairman informed the meeting that earlier this year one of our
Honorary Vice-Presidents, Sir Iain Moncreiffe of that Ilk had died.
He had had a long interest in the Society and had participated in our
Golden Jubilee celebrations. The Secretary had already written to
Lady Moncreiffe and Council learned of his death with regret.

More recently, Mrs Parker said, Mr Peter Wadsworth had died on 3rd May.
He was a Life member of the Society and had been a member of the
Executive Council. Only last year he had been elected to the Finance
Committee whose members had looked forward to working with him and
gaining from his experience and advice. The Council recorded their
deep sorrow and asked that their condolences be passed to
Mrs Winnie Wadsworth.

EC85/3 MINUTES

The Minutes of the meeting on 17th November, 1984, were approved.

EC85/4 BUSINESS ARISING

EC84/20(b) Mrs Boode (Kingston, Ontario) thought that the General
Purposes Committee should consider the wider implications of Mr Boode's
(Delft) submission which had been more broadly based than it would
appear from the Minute. The Chairman suggested that Mr Boode might
bring the matter up again to cover those aspects not treated in the
Minutes.

Mr Brown (York and North Humberside) was assured by Miss Anderson (TAC), Examinations Committee Convener, that the recommendation was for a trial run only for one examination at Summer School and that the matter would be brought to Council again when a vote would be taken on the matter in the light of experience, financial factors, etc.

Mr Gray (South Wales) seconded by Mr Mechan (Hawaii) moved approval for the experiment at one examination at Summer School this year, and this was passed unanimously.

- (iv) EX85/9(b) The Executive Council unanimously decided that a candidate for the Preliminary Test should have four years Scottish Country Dancing experience before presenting themselves for the Preliminary Test.

The Chairman assured Dr Paterson (Bath) that there would be adequate time allowed for the alteration so that candidates presently training would not be adversely affected.

With the addition under 85/9(g), 4th line, of "or reel" after "jig" the Minutes were duly ratified.

(c) General Purposes Committee

- (i) Minutes of Meeting on 19th January, 1985

The Minutes had already been approved.

GP85/5 Mr Hamilton (Detroit) seconded by Mrs Duffield (Leamington Spa) moved that the Agenda Committee should continue as detailed in the Minute. This was agreed.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

- (ii) Minutes of the Meeting on 20th April, 1985

The Minutes were approved.

Dr MacFadyen (Vice-Chairman), speaking on the plans to celebrate the centenary of Dr Milligan's birth said that, at this stage, the Minutes contained merely the framework of the weekend. If Council approved, then the committee could go ahead with the detailed work. Speaking on commemorative items, he asked the assistance of anyone who might have, or know the whereabouts of, a first edition of the "Festival Booklet" which had been the first publication of Dr Milligan's writing. He had a copy of the booklet but wished assurance that it was the first edition.

In response to a query from Mrs Coupar (Dunfermline) he said each event of the Weekend would be priced separately and members might select those in which they wished to participate. In reply to Mrs Linklater-Shirras (Inverness and District) Dr MacFadyen said that the presentation to Jordanhill College would probably take the form of a picture to commemorate Dr Milligan's service in the College.

Referring to Minute GP85/16 Mr Stephens (Kirkcaldy) moved that all nominees for the award of the Society's Scroll should receive either the Scroll or a certificate supplied by Headquarters for a Branch award. There was no seconder and his motion fell.

The Executive Council approved the award of the Society's Scroll to:

- Miss Molly Clavering (Moffat Branch)
- Miss Mary Collie (Peterhead Branch)
- Mrs Elizabeth D Gilroy (East Lothian Branch)
- Miss Susan Inglis (Edinburgh Branch)
- Mrs M McAulay (Newcastle & District Branch)
- Mrs Olga Meyer (New York Branch)
- Miss Margaret Prentice (Glasgow Branch)

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(d) Finance Committee

- (i) Minutes of the Meeting on 19th January, 1985

The Minutes had already been approved.

The Chairman announced that, with Mr Wadsworth's death there was a vacancy on the Finance Committee. At the elections in November 1984 Miss Galway (Belfast) had been next in line and by general consent she was invited to fill the vacancy for the remainder of the year and agreed to do so.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

- (ii) Minutes of the Meeting on 20th April, 1985

The Minutes were approved.

Mr Taylor (Finance Convener) outlined the proposed alterations in Headquarters building and the necessity to take back into use the two rooms at present let - all of which was necessary to bring the building up to an acceptable standard and to accommodate the increased stock which the Society carried. He also drew attention to the rise in rates subsequent on the general revaluation of property throughout Scotland.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

(e) Publications and Research Committee

- (i) Minutes of the Meeting on 12th January, 1985

The Minutes, already approved, were duly ratified.

- (ii) Minutes of the Meeting on 9th February, 1985

The Minutes, already approved, were duly ratified.

- (iii) Minutes of the Meeting on 9th March, 1985

The Minutes had already been approved.

Mrs Holden (Floriday) asked if 'open fourth' was to be included in the diagrams for foot positions in "Won't You Join The Dance?". Mr Macleod (Convener of the Publications Committee) said the Committee had decided not to include it.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

- (iv) Minutes of the Meeting on 13th April, 1985

The Minutes were approved.

Referring to Minute PR85/39 and commenting on the Publications Committee's amendment to the Los Angeles Branch motion Dr Reinstein (Paris) said he considered it necessary to know when each dance was revised. Mr Macleod replied that dances were not revised singly and that when revision was effected it covered a whole book or leaflet.

The Minutes were duly ratified.

EC85/6

MOTIONS FOR THE AGM

The motion from the Los Angeles Branch carried over from the 1984 AGM for consideration by the Publications Committee would be included in the Agenda for this year's Annual General Meeting, viz:

- (i) 'that, due to the difference between various published editions of RSCDS dances, henceforth all RSCDS dance publications will have the date of current revisions on each page.
- (ii) that the name of the RSCDS editor be indicated on those pages where there are substantive changes in the score.
- (iii) That henceforth:
 - (a) if a dance is recognizably the same as its source, then its reference shall be in the usual form.
 - (b) if the dance has been edited by the RSCDS from, or is closely related to, its source, then its reference shall be in the form "with a difference" or some equivalent phrase.
 - (c) if the dance shares its name and less than half of its figures with its 'source', then its reference shall be 'inspired by' or some equivalent phrase.
 - (d) if the dance does not fit into one of the above categories then its reference shall be 'devised by the Publications Committee' or whomever is responsible.

It was decided that the following amendment should go forward from the Executive Council

para (i) - Delete: 'each page' and insert 'every book/leaflet'

Mrs Linklater-Shirras (Inverness and District) asked if the motion would be subdivided into three separate motions. Council decided that this was not necessary as Branches could send in amendments to delete any part of the motion with which they might disagree.

EC85/7

AFFILIATION

Approval was given for the affiliation of the Welkom Scottish Country Dance Club, South Africa.

EC85/8

CONSTITUTION

The Constitution and Rules of the Croydon & District Branch were approved.

EC85/9

OTHER BUSINESS

- (a) Mrs Boode (Kingston-Ontario) asked if teachers already holding a certificate could be issued with one of the new certificates. The Chairman ruled that this would not be permissible.
- (b) Mrs Holden suggested that the appropriate Committee might consider the production of a tape containing the history of the Society. A younger generation was growing up not knowing anything about it and it would be of value to groups overseas. She thought this might fall within the Archivist's remit. Dr MacFadyen said that efforts were being made to accumulate exhibition material and he had intended to raise the question of a tape-slide sequence.

- (c) Mr Dickson (Montreal) had been concerned for some time about the low proportion of men who attend our various functions. He suggested that the appropriate committee discuss this situation with a view to establishing what were the contributing factors to this sorry state of affairs so that the problem might be tackled. Mr Sharpe (Dunbartonshire West) thought that a 'couples' class was the best way to start off with ladies bringing their husbands; thereafter it was easier for the men to attend general classes.
- (d) Dr Reinstein (Paris) said he had come across a teaching tape produced by Mr Hamilton and Mr Mackay and thought it or a similar type would be a great help to teachers.
- (e) Mr Dickson (Montreal) raised the difficulty of identifying a dance on a tape unless one had a counter. Mr Fyfe (Cheshire) said that there were in this country several makes of machines with a search system.

EC85/10

NEXT MEETING

16th November, 1985, at 1.30 pm.

The Chairman thanked Council members, Conveners of the various Committees, Dr MacFadyen, as Vice-Chairman, and the Staff for their support during her term of office.

On behalf of the Executive Council Dr MacFadyen thanked Mrs Parker for her Chairmanship and the sense of humour she had brought to it.

The meeting closed at 4.40 pm.

Alastair MacFadyen
16/11/85.

THE ROYAL SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCE SOCIETY

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT 33 MELVILLE STREET, EDINBURGH ON
SATURDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 1985, AT 1.30 P.M.

PRESENT: Dr A MacFadyen (in the Chair), Mr A S Aitkenhead, Mrs M G Parker, Mr D Macleod, Miss I Bennett, Miss M M Brown, Mrs N Dunn, Miss A B W Mann, Miss L C Martin, Miss D Paterson, Mr J Drewry, Mr I Zobel, Miss I Paton, Mrs J Bain, Dr A Paterson, Miss F Galway, Mr B Frazer, Mrs N McLaren, Mr Warman, Mr I M Birnie, Mrs S Nedderman, Mrs A Murphy, Mrs A MacDougall, Mrs M H Hopkins, Miss E Price, Mr J Hutton, Mr J Fyfe, Mr A Boode, Mr W Hamilton, Miss E M C Ferguson, Mr K Sharp, Mrs I Cruickshanks, Mrs A Couper, Miss A W Miller, Miss C Menmuir, Mrs A Holden, Mrs M S Baikie, Miss M M Ross, Mrs W Wadsworth, Mr T W Steele, Miss G Wyper, Mrs L Gaul, Mr G Mechan, Mrs M Linklater-Shirras, Mr D Campbell, Miss A Allan, Mr G Stephens, Mrs D E Christie, Mrs M R Duffield, Mr D Kendall, Mrs H Wilson, Mrs Green, Mrs J Taylor, Mr J Laurie, Miss J Brown, Miss M Brander, Dr I M Hall, Mrs M Killeen, Mrs J Taylor, Miss N Rintoul, Mr J B Dickson, Mr J Wilson, Mr J C Douglas, Miss K McLauchlan, Mrs M Devlin, Mr G Davie, Dr J Reinstein, Miss B A Nairn, Mrs R Purcell, Miss L Carson, Mr S McMillan, Mr R Turnbull, Mrs M C Gudger, Mrs J Hewat, Mr J Scahill, Mr A Mair, Mrs C Mair, Mr W A Gray, Mr J Taylor, Miss F Martin, Mr R Sutherland, Mr W J Thomson, Mr D Ross, Miss M Duffield, Mrs M Corson, Mr R J Taylor, Miss J Yeats, Mr M L Brown, Mr L Thomson, Mr A Smart.

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ATTENDING: Miss M M Gibson (Secretary), Mrs M A Jeffcoat (Treasurer)

EC85/11 APOLOGIES

Mr G Burnett, Mr W Clement, Mr A E Dewdney, Miss E Downie, Miss B Fawdry, Mr A Goodyer, Mr D A Gray, Mrs F Inglis, Mrs E Kemp, Miss M McCartney, Mr C McDougall, Mr H van Zon.

EC85/12 CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman thanked Miss Elaine Greenslade and her several helpers to whom the members of Council were indebted for such a pleasant lunch prior to the meeting. He also expressed the Council's thanks to Mrs Parker who had so generously provided the accompanying wine.

Dr MacFadyen then welcomed representatives to the first meeting of the Executive Council in the year 1985-86, with a special welcome to those attending for the first time. He said that this Council was meeting for the first time without Miss Margaret Anderson. While Mrs Parker had paid tribute to Miss Anderson at the Annual General Meeting he felt it would be appropriate if the Executive Council recorded its own deep sense of sorrow and loss at her death. Quite apart from her many valuable contributions to the Society both at home and abroad there was no doubt that she was a dedicated and much respected member of the Council who would be greatly missed.

The Chairman next announced a further amendment to the ballot papers for Committees of Council with the withdrawal of Mr Lawson Thomson's name from the list of candidates for the General Purposes Committee. The voting papers were then collected for counting.

Dr MacFadyen, referring to the list of Council members, announced a number of additions which had been received late as well as the six members elected at the Annual General Meeting.

EC85/13 MINUTES

On a proposal by Mr Hamilton (Detroit Branch), seconded by Mr Turnbull (Richmond Branch), the Minutes of the meeting on 11 May 1985 were approved.

EC85/14 BUSINESS ARISING

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Minutes of Meeting on 26 October 1985

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On a motion by Mr Steele (Glasgow Branch), seconded by Dr Hall (Manchester Branch), the Minutes were ratified.

(b) Finance Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 3 August 1985

The Minutes had already been approved.

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In reply to a query from Mr Boode (Delft Branch) it was stated that Affiliated Groups were not eligible to receive financial help from the Society to run examination classes.

Replying to Miss M M Brown (Elected Member) Mr J Taylor (Finance Convener) said that the Board of Strathspey Sales Ltd consisted at present of himself as Chairman, Mr Douglas, Miss Miller, Miss Gibson (Secretary) and Mrs Jeffcoat (Treasurer).

With reference to Minute F85/38 -

(a) Dr Paterson (Bath Branch) moved

"that the matter of staffing appointments should be taken back to the Committee who should consider the way they deal with appointments".

The motion was seconded by Mr J Wilson (Nairobi Branch).

On a vote being taken the motion was defeated by a substantial majority.

(b) Miss D A Paterson (Elected Member) moved

"that the Finance Committee or the General Purposes Committee whichever is responsible for salaries and conditions of service, should advise the Executive Council of the proposed salary scales or increases which they propose should be given."

The motion was seconded by Mr M Brown (York and North Humberside Branch).

Voting: For Miss Paterson's motion5
Against - an overwhelming majority

The motion was therefore defeated.

Ratification of this Minute was carried forward pending consideration of the next Minute.

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 26 October 1985

On a motion by Miss Miller (Duns and District Branch), seconded by Miss F I Galway (Belfast Branch) the Minutes were approved.

Mr J Taylor (Stirlingshire Branch/Finance Convener) moved that Council should remit back to the Finance Committee Minute F85/48 as information had been received that required that the Committee should reconsider the matter; seconded by Miss Paterson (Elected Member) and agreed.

Mr Mechan (Hawaii Branch) suggested that Dundee College of Education might be approached regarding Summer School accommodation (F85/45).

Mr J Taylor said that the selling price of the video of the life of Dr Milligan would probably be around £15.

Mr Hamilton (Detroit Branch) moved

"that the Finance Committee investigate costs and possibility of providing the videos in formats suitable particularly for the overseas market."

The motion was seconded by Mr I Zobel (Atlanta Branch) and carried unanimously.

On a motion by Mr Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne & District Branch), seconded by Mr Turnbull (Richmond Branch), the Minutes of 3 August were duly ratified.

The Minutes of 26 October, with the exclusion of Minute F85/48 which was remitted back to the Finance Committee were ratified on a motion by Mr Smart (Edinburgh Branch), seconded by Miss Miller (Duns and District Branch).

(c) Publications and Research Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 8/9 June 1985

The Minutes, having already been approved, were now ratified on a motion by Mr Fyfe (Cheshire Branch), seconded by Mr Gray (South Wales Branch).

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 21 September 1985

The Minutes had already been approved.

Mr R Taylor (Wirral Branch) moved

"that the elapsed time for each dance be printed on the sleeve of Society records, in minutes and seconds."

The motion, seconded by Mrs A Murphy (Carlisle and Border Branch) was unanimously agreed.

On a motion by Miss Brander (Los Angeles Branch), seconded by Miss Brown (Elected Member) the Minutes were ratified.

(iii) Minutes of Meeting on 12 October 1985

On a motion by Mr Hamilton (Detroit Branch), seconded by Miss Brown (Elected Member) the Minutes were approved.

On a motion by Mr Hamilton (Detroit Branch), seconded by Mr Drewry (Aberdeen Branch) the Minutes were ratified.

(d) Examinations Committee

(i) Minutes of Meeting on 18 May 1985

The Minutes had already been approved. (The date at the end of EX85/13(a) was amended to 1986)

The Minutes were ratified on a motion by Dr Reinstein (Paris Branch), seconded by Mrs Corson (Winnipeg Branch).

(ii) Minutes of Meeting on 3 August 1985

The Minutes were approved on a motion by Mrs Holden (Florida), seconded by Mr Mechan (Hawaii).

The Chairman explained that at the meeting with the International Dance Teachers' Association the Society had been represented by himself, Miss Anderson, Dr I Hall and the Secretary. He had been impressed by the IDTA members and it was recommended that the Executive Council should approve cooperation with the IDTA.

On a motion by Mr Wilson (Nairobi Branch), seconded by Mrs A Murphy (Carlisle and Border Branch) the Minutes were ratified.

(e) Summer School Committee

Minutes of Meeting on 10 August 1985

On a motion by Miss Bennett (Elected Member), seconded by Mr Aitkenhead (Vice-Chairman) the Minutes were approved.

On a motion by Mrs Holden (Florida Branch), seconded by Mr Mechan (Hawaii Branch), the Minutes were ratified.

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TIMETABLE FOR MEETINGS (1986 unless otherwise stated).

Dates and times for Committee Meetings were decided as follows:

(a) Executive Council

10 May	(Edinburgh)	at 1.30 pm
15 November	"	"

(b) Finance Committee

18 January	(Edinburgh)	at 2.00 pm
12 April	"	"
2 August	(St Andrews)	"
18 October	(Edinburgh)	"

(c) General Purposes Committee

18 January	(Edinburgh)	at 10.30 am
12 April	"	"
18 October	"	"

(With sub-committee meetings as necessary for the Centenary Weekend and Scroll Awards).

(d) Examinations Committee

14 December 1985	(Edinburgh)	at 10.30 am
15 February	"	"

(e) Publications and Research Committee

8 February	(Edinburgh)	at 10.00 am
8 March	"	"
5 April	"	"
20 September	"	"
11 October	"	"

(With sub-committee meetings as necessary for recording sessions).

(f) Summer School Committee

16 November 1985	(Edinburgh)	at 5.00 pm
9 August	(St Andrews)	at 2.00 pm

(with sub-committee meeting as necessary for scholarship awards).

(g) Annual General Meeting

1 November (Dundee) at 2.30 pm

EC85/17

APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

Committees were appointed as follows:

(a) Finance Committee

Dr A MacFadyen (Chairman), Mr A S Aitkenhead (Vice-Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Immediate Past Chairman), and the following appointed members:

- Mr J C Douglas (Newcastle upon Tyne and District Branch)
- Miss F I Galway (Belfast Branch)
- Miss A W Miller (Duns and District Branch)
- Miss D A Paterson (Elected Member)
- Miss M M Ross (Forres Branch)
- Mr J Taylor (Stirlingshire Branch)
- Mr R Turnbull (Richmond Branch)

On a motion by Miss Martin (East Stirlingshire Branch), seconded by Miss Galway (Belfast Branch) Mr J Taylor was elected Convener.

(b) General Purposes Committee

Dr A MacFadyen (Chairman and Convener), Mr A S Aitkenhead (Vice-Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Immediate Past Chairman), Mr J Taylor (Finance Convener) and the following appointed members:

- Miss B Nairn (Perth & Perthshire Branch)
- Miss M Duffield (West Lothian Branch)
- Mrs N Dunn (Elected Member)
- Mr J Laurie (London Branch)
- Mrs A Murphy (Carlisle and Border Branch)
- Miss I Paton (Ayr Branch)
- Mr A Smart (Edinburgh Branch)
- Mr T W Steele (Glasgow Branch)
- Mr I Zobel (Atlanta Branch)

(c) Examinations Committee

Dr A MacFadyen (Chairman), Mr A S Aitkenhead (Vice-Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Immediate Past Chairman) and the following appointed members:

- Mrs M Corson (Winnipeg Branch)
- Mrs A Couper (Dunfermline Branch)
- Mrs A Holden (Florida Branch)
- Miss L Martin (Elected Member)
- Mr G Mechan (Hawaii Branch)

On a motion by Mrs Wadsworth (Gatehouse of Fleet Branch), seconded by Mrs A Murphy (Carlisle and Border Branch) Mrs A Holden was elected Convener.

(d) Publications and Research Committee

Dr A MacFadyen (Chairman), Mr A S Aitkenhead (Vice-Chairman), Mrs M G Parker (Immediate Past Chairman) and the following appointed members:

- Miss I Bennett (Elected Member)
- Miss M M Brown (Elected Member)
- Mr W Clement (Northern Virginia Branch)
- Mr J Drewry (Aberdeen Branch)
- Mr W Hamilton (Detroit Branch)
- Mr D Macleod (Director of Summer School)

On a motion by Mr Hamilton (Detroit Branch), seconded by Mr Warman (Bournemouth Branch) Mr D Macleod was elected Convener.

(e) Summer School Committee

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- Mrs L Gaul (Hamilton (Ontario) Branch)
- Mr W A Gray (South Wales Branch)
- Miss A B W Mann (Elected Member)
- Mrs S Nedderman (Cambridge and District Branch)

EC85/18 OTHER BUSINESS

Mr Birnie (Bramhall Branch) moved

"that the Finance Committee consider whether or not the fee at present charged for affiliation should be increased."

Mr R Taylor (Wirral Branch) seconded the motion.

Mr J Fyfe (Cheshire Branch) moved the Direct Negative.

The motion was carried by an obvious majority.

EC85/19 NEXT MEETING

10 May 1986

In closing the meeting the Chairman drew the attention of representatives to the General Purposes Committee Minutes where they had, in ratifying the Minutes, given their approval to a Tombola Stall at the Centenary Weekend at Jordanhill College. He urged members to bring Branch contributions with them to the May meeting of the Executive Council.

The meeting closed at 4.30 pm with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Attest Fyfe
10.5.86

