

THE INTERNATIONAL EDVARD GRIEG SOCIETY MINUTE BOOK FROM GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2017

The General Assembly for the International Edvard Grieg Society was held at
Edvard Grieg Museum Troidhaugen in Bergen Sunday 20 October 2017
at 11.00-12.30.

1. Opening of the meeting

The Vice President of IGS, Beryl Foster, opened the meeting and welcomed the delegates. There were no objections to the summons or place of the meeting. Beryl Foster was suggested as Chair for the meeting, and she presented a greeting to the General Assembly from the IGS President Sylvia Reynolds Eckes. Monica Jangaard was suggested to take Minutes. **Approved.**

2. Registration of the delegates

The following delegates were present (alphabetical order):

From institutions:

Einar Røttingen, The Grieg Academy - University of Bergen

Jorunn Eckhoff Færden, Bergen Public Library

Siv Klippen, Bergen College

From Grieg Societies:

Patrick Dinslage, Edvard-Grieg-Forschungsstelle Universität Leipzig in Kooperation mit der Grieg-Begegnungsstätte Leipzig e.V.

Patrick Dinslage, Grieg-Begegnungsstätte Leipzig e.V.

Rolf Erdahl, Edvard Grieg Society, Minneapolis

Beryl Foster, Grieg Society of Great Britain

Siebert Nix, Grieg Stichting Nederland

Einar Steen-Nøkleberg, Oslo Grieg Society

Liubov Syniak, The Ukrainian Grieg Society

Anders Aarheim, Friends of Troidhaugen

Individual members:

Erling Dahl jr.

Trine Kolderup Flaten

Remaining members of IGS Executive Committee:

Arnulf Mattes, Norway

Monica Jangaard, Norway

Other observers:

Sandra Mogensen, Danmark

Sonja Thompson, USA

Bjørn Øgaard, Norge

The following delegates had sent their apologies:

Edvard Grieg Society of America, Inc.

Edvard Grieg Society of the Great Lakes

Grieg Society of Japan

Northwest Edvard Grieg Society

Russian Grieg Society
The Edvard Grieg Society of the Dakotas

The following delegates were absent:

Belgian Grieg Society, Deutsche Edvard Grieg-Gesellschaft, The Italian Edvard Grieg Society, The Grieg Society of Japan, Grieg Society in Lithuania, Edvard Grieg Society N.Y., Inc., Rune Andersen (individual member), Øyvind Norheim (individual member), Arvid Vollsnes (individual member), Oslo Philharmonic Orchestra, Bergen Philharmonic Orchestra, Stavanger Symphony Orchestra, University of Oslo, NTNU – Department of Music, Norwegian Academy of Music, Norwegian Concert Institute, the Municipality of Bergen, Hordaland Regional Municipality and Norwegian Institute of Recorded Sound.

3. Election of two representatives to sign the Minute Book

Jorunn Eckhoff Færden and Arnulf Mattes were proposed.

Approved.

4. Annual reports 2015 and 2016

The annual reports and financial reports for 2015 and 2016 were presented by Beryl Foster. Einar Røttingen reported on the society and the present economy.

Approved, with a correction in the Annual report for 2016, English version, members of the Executive Committee: Asbjørn Ø. Eriksen will be replaced by Arnulf Mattes.

5. Treasurer's reports 2015 and 2016.

Treasurer's reports for 2015 and 2016 were available at the meeting.

Approved.

6. Reports from the Grieg Societies.

Partick Dinslage:

- Edvard-Grieg-Forschungsstelle Universität Leipzig in Kooperation mit der Grieg-Begegnungsstätte Leipzig e.V.
- Grieg-Begegnungsstätte Leipzig e.V.

Liubov Syniak:

- The Ukrainian Grieg Society

Sonja Thompson and Rolf Erdahl:

- Edvard Grieg Society, Minneapolis

Siebert Nix:

- Grieg Stichting Nederland

Einar Steen-Nøkleberg

- Oslo Grieg Society

Beryl Foster:

- Grieg Society of Great Britain

Beryl Foster also presented a report from Wojciech Stępień, Poland, about the Grieg Seminar in Katowice in 2015, the printed book and lectures on Grieg at the Karol Szymanowski Academy of Music in Katowice.

Sylvia Eckes:

- Edvard Grieg Society of America, was absent but sent a report about four American societies that was mistakenly omitted from the session. Report is available as a document on the IGS web site.

7. Strategy for the Society and choice of venue for the next meeting.

Einar Røttingen, Chair, informed about the IGS' work since last General Assembly Meeting, and about the plans for a Grieg seminar and workshop in Bergen in 2019 (after the model of earlier seminars), with the preliminary title «Beyond Grieg». The Executive Committee alternative members will be involved as a reference group for the Executive Committee. These members will consist of vital representatives from the international network of IGS. The Executive Committee will co-operate with KODE - Edvard Grieg Museum and Director Sigurd Sandmo to secure the annual organization of the Society. Next General Assembly Meeting will be in 2019, connected to the planned seminar. **Approved.**

8. Election

Monica Jangaard presented the following proposals from the Electoral Committee:

a) Election of Executive Committee and its Chair

Einar Røttingen (Chair)

Signe Bakke

Arnulf Mattes

Njål Sparbo

Sigurd Sandmo (Troidhaugen)

Alternatives

Wojciech Stępień

Markéta Štefková

Liubov Syniak

Siebert Nix

Sandra Mogensen

b) Election of Electoral Committee

Beryl Foster, Erling Dahl og Patrick Dinslage

c) Election of Auditor

Re-election

d) Election of President of the Council Assembly

Beryl Foster, Great Britain

e) Election of Deputy to the President

Sylvia Reynolds Eckes, USA

The candidates proposed by the Electoral Committee were unanimously elected.

9. Miscellaneous

No items were reported.

Bergen, 21 November 2017

Monica Jangaard

- Secretary -



Jorunn Eckhoff Færden



Arnulf Mattes