Young Mens' Literary Assoc.

Committee Minutes, 9-6-1865 - 13-6-1867
St. Paul's Office June 9, 1856.

Which day the Committee met and was constituted by Pastor in the absence of the President. Present: M. B., Bevis, C. M., Mortley, Hawton, Atwell, and others.

After some general conversation as to how the society should proceed to attract the public favor, the following resolution was proposed: "That the President of the society of all denominations be invited." On the motion being put, it was voted for and one against it. It was accordingly carried.

The following resolution was then put and carried unanimously:

That the society invite the Infant and Orphans' asylum at the public expense, and that the Bishop of Christ Church and the Bishop of St. Andrews be invited to assist in the support.

It was then resolved to invite the following gentlemen to the present:

Spriginton. 6th of January, 1874.

The following resolution was also put to the Meeting:

"That Mr. Morley & Mr. Sherratt be appointed a Committee to confer with Mr. Bilbrow & learn if the services of the Musical Society can be obtained for the occasion."

The following also was carried:

"That the Seating be arranged by letter, but that the Hon. the Superintendent be waited on personally by the Secretary."

"That Mr. Morley the appointed to deliver the invitations to all who reside in the County Districts."

A long discussion then ensued regarding the price to be charged for tickets. It was ultimately resolved:

"That 2/- be charged with the understanding that any member may obtain, if all, any dozen beyond that amount."

The following resolutions were then carried:

"That if by next meeting of Committee Mr. Morley obtain the names of a sufficient number of ladies willing to give ladies the Society agree to request those ladies to do so."

"That the Secretary call upon Mr. Williams, Secretary of the Town Hall Committee, and ascertain at what charge the Hall may be obtained."

"That the same be held on the 29th day of June next."

The Committee then adjourned till Tuesday 13th at 5 o'clock.

Chas. A. Williams
Chairman

An Musters Office, June 1874.

Which day the Committee met and was constituted by Pastors of the Church. Present Messrs. Biggs, Davies, Morley, West & Nairn & Guthrie.

The Minutes of last Meeting having been read and confirmed, the Secretary reported that the limitations to the town's finances were in the course of issue. He also reported that he had contacted the Hon. the Superintendent who had consulted the principal.
Mr. Morley, on behalf of the Sub-committee, reported that he had seen Mr. Bellows who had received their proposal favorably and had appointed a meeting with the Committee of the Musical Society. This had not taken place, but Mr. Morley was in a position to state that the help of the Musical Society would almost be declined upon.

Mr. Gathorne had seen Mr. John Hall and Archibald Jacobs; all of whom had consented to come. Mr. Gathorne reported that from what his honour had said, he thought that something in the form of a conversation would be more satisfactory. After a long discussion regarding the propriety of providing refreshments, it was agreed that Major Raynor Cornwall, as Secretary, be appointed a committee to see at what rate refreshments could be obtained with the power to negotiate at the extent of £15.

The meeting, with very few of the Committee who had been, was appointed to the following committee and learned of them could be willing to give the use of their pictures.

Carrie, for the evening. Vig.

Mr. & Mrs. McNeil, Mr. Barlow, Washing, globe, Thursday at 7.30.

Mr. Morley & Gathorne were appointed to see Mr. Bellows and make further arrangements with the Musical Society.

Mr. Morley reported that he had received authority from Mr. Bailey to take any tender that might be submitted. Mr. Morley was appointed here in the arrangements can be made in his department.

The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Foster and carried:

"That the Committee report to the Society on Thursday next that the question of removing the place of meeting has been brought under their notice, having considered it they recommend the Society to give them full powers to act. The Secretary was also ordered to obtain a minute book at the price of 2/6.

The Committee then adjourned till Thursday at 6.30.

Charles Foster"
Dr. Coles Office June 15/65.

The Committee met at 5 o'clock p.m. Dr. Yate in the Chair.

Present Messrs. Baynors, Davis, Daniel, Spalding.

The Minutes of last meeting having been
read and confirmed, the Sub-
Committee reported that they had seen
Mr. Richie regarding refreshments. They
reported that Mr. Richie was willing
to provide refreshments, at the rate of
9d. per head, or at the rate of 1½
per head. The Committee appointed
a Committee to conclude a bargain with him at 9½
per head.

The Committee appointed half after the
Music had nothing definite to report.

The name of Mr. O'Boyle was added
to the Committee.

The Secretary was authorized to send letters
The Committee was adjourned.

Head and Concluded on the
day of June 1865.

Ch. J. Troth.

Chairman.

Congregational Church
June 22/65.

The Committee met at 6.30 p.m. Dr.
Yate in the Chair.

Present Messrs. Baynors, Coe, Morley, Winsel
and Guthrie.

The Minutes of last meeting having been
read and confirmed, a report was
made that a Contract had been
invited with Mr. Richie to supply
the meeting with refreshments at the
rate of 9½d. per head.

It was agreed that Mr. Baynors be
requested to call upon my gentlemen
Waters and Saunderson and ask for a
written subscription.

The Music Committee reported that
nothing definite had been settled
with the musical Society.

Head and Concluded on the
27th day of June 1865.

Ch. J. Troth.

Chairman.
Congregational Church
of Westfield

July 27th 1865

Which day the Committee met at 6 o'clock, present: Mr. Bingham, reported that 150 tickets were sold, the total amount was $100, and the balance of $150 was deposited.

It was agreed to allow Mr. Howard to give the old town hall. Mr. Gathorne appointed three Peggall to get him to buy the pictures. It was then unanimously resolved that Mr. Gravas be requested to move the delegates to proceed.

Read and confirmed on the 6th day of July, 1865.
Chairman

The Committee met at 6:30 p.m. Dr. Foster in the chair.
Present: Mr. Howard, Bingham, Cox, Guthrie, P. Carroll, M. Mon, Cap.

The minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed. It was then moved and carried that the Committee recommend that a vote of thanks be given to his honor the Governor, the various societies, and contributors, to the Members of the Musical Society. And that it be advertised in all the local papers.

The Treasurer presented a rough estimate of the receipts and expenditure in connection with the Cranstonians.

Read and confirmed on the 6th day of July, 1865.
Chairman
Dr. Pasteur's Office July 10th.

The Committee met at 5 o'clock Dr. Pasteur in the Chair.

Present: Major Baynes, Mr. Sos, Mr. Newton, Mr. Javis of Bournemouth.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.

The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Symington, Chairman of the Chamber of Commerce, and learn at what rate the Chamber of Commerce hears of all advertisements could be obtained, and what arrangements could be regarding lighting.

It was also resolved that the Council continue to be Mr. Byles and R. Poucher, meeting them for the use of the Town Hall at 7 o'clock.

It was unanimously resolved that the Council recommend the consideration of the Society the following resolutions:

"That all subjects of discussion shall be put into the General Committee who shall arrange the same at their discretion.

"That a book be provided setting forth the Constitution of the Society, which every member shall subscribe to, giving at the same time his address in full.

"That the signatory of the above be a condition of membership.

"That no member be allowed to speak or vote unless his subscriptions are all paid (except by the Committee of the Chair).

"That Members abstaining themselves for four weeks consecutively shall cease to be members of the Society and shall forfeit all honors according to membership unless such absences be satisfactorily explained to the Chairman and Secretary.

The Committee agreed to allow Mr. Walker to bring forward the "Permease Bill" on Thursday in the ordinary way.

Mr. Poucher's Bill of £7 was presented. It was resolved that Mr. Poucher be instructed to pay only £15-0-0.

It was also resolved to pay Mr. Drew £5-5-0.

Read and confirmed and July 25th.

[Signature]
Dr. Parke's Office
July 25, 65

The Committee met at the usual hour, Mr. Al. Newton in the Chair.

The minutes of the previous meeting having been read and confirmed, the Committee proceeded to arrange the programme. The Secretary was ordered to print the programme. It was then unanimously resolved that the Committee recommend the following resolution to the Society:

"That all members be admitted by a show of hands unless notice shall be given to the Chairman or Secretary in writing that a ballot is required any time prior to the time of voting."

Read confirmed on the 10th day of August 1865.

Chairman

Congregational Church
Aug. 3, 65

The Committee met after the usual reading of the Society by Dr. Bates in the Chair.

The Secretary stated that he understood that the lease of the Chamber of Commerce could not be obtained.

The Committee therefore instructed the Secretary of the Society to rent the upper room of the Mechanics Institute at the rate of Twelve pounds per annum for two years. They were also instructed to obtain chairs of necessary.

The Secretary was instructed to advertise the change of place of meeting.

Read confirmed on the 10th day of August 1865.

Sgd. Al. Newton

Chairman
The Committee met in Dr. Foster's Office at five o'clock, - Dr. Foster in the Chair.
Present: Beynon at Newton Longville.
The sub-committee had before the Society the plans on arrangement by which the Secretary was authorized to get a copy printed.
Moved and seconded that Dr. Foster, Major Beynon, and others of the committee at what rate a dinner can be provided by Messrs. Brook - White, Coxe - Morten - Wharton -
Moved and carried "That Mr. Beynon draw up a programme."
It was also agreed to have the dinner on Thursday 2nd. February
Read & confirmed on the 22nd day of March 1866.

Chas. A. Foster
Chairman
Mechanics Institute
June 21, 1866
Committee met at 7 o'clock. Mr. T. Foster in the chair—four members present except Mr. Wheeler. Minutes of last meeting were read and confirmed.
Mr. Foster stated that he had written to the Hon. the Superintendent, but no answer had been received.
After some discussion it was unanimously agreed that the committee should advise the Society to set aside a room for more than one night in the week.
It was also agreed that it would not be advisable to send to Australia for a copy of the Encyclopaedia Britannica.
By a majority of 5 (four) to 3 (three), it was agreed to propose to the Society the need to form a library.
Reid confirmed on the 16th day of August 1866
Chairman

Mechanics Institute
Aug 16, 1866
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
The Society then brought forward the programme for the coming season, which was moved by me and seconded by—orders being joined as the programme should be printed.
Mr. Secretary stated that the Encyclopaedia Britannica had arrived, and Christchurch, when he was appointed to give notice by the Secretary that the Society should not otherwise attempt to form a library.
Read and confirmed on the 15th day of August 1866
Chairman

Mechanics Institute
Aug 25, 1866
The minutes of the last meeting were read and confirmed.
confirmed. The following resolutions were put and after some discussion were carried:
That tickets of membership be printed & given to each member upon his paying his quarterly subscription.
That the library of Britannica be placed in the library of the Mechanics Institute as a work of reference subject to the following conditions:
1st. That the society shall have power to remove it at any time.
2nd. That members of this society, upon presenting their tickets, shall be allowed, during the ordinary library hours, to have out one volume at a time and to read the same in the reading room of the Mechanics Institute or in the reading room of this society during the debate.
3rd. That members of the Mechanics Institute shall be granted a like privilege in their reading room, unless the work be required by any member of this society.
The President then adjourned.
The Committee then adjourned.
Read and confirmed in the 25 day Sept.

Dr. Locken Chambers, 25th. Oct. 1884
Present: Mr. Healthcare Wheeler, Justice (Chairman) & Mr. Montgomery & Mr. Newton.
After some discussion the minutes of the last meeting having been read and confirmed the following resolution was agreed to: That each member of the committee of management be requested to canvass a certain number of the members present on the role of the society and ask them for their names and ascertain their intentions as to renewing on the society's books and that those who decline to pay their annual or forever, the necessary notice send them by the Secretary and be struck off the roll.
Read and confirmed Oct 1st. 1884
Alexander Montgomery
Chairman

Mechanics Institute. 10th. Oct. 1884
The minutes of the present meeting having been read and confirmed. By the President and Mr. Justice pronounced the resolution "That the word to conclude will be the singing of a short hymn to strike out of the rules 12" Carried.
Read and confirmed. Oct. 11th. 1884
Chairman
Mechanics Institute
Nov. 15th 1867.

Present: Mr. Montgomery (Chairman) 

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed. 

The committee went through the list of members owing arrears of subscriptions, who had been notified by the secretary in accordance with the resolution of the previous meeting held on Oct 27th last. Members whose names had been received to pay and divided

The remainder among themselves in order to call upon them personally in accordance with the same resolution.

Read and confirmed. Nov. 14th 1867.

Chairman

Dr. Foster's Office. Nov. 14th 1867.

Present: Dr. Foster (Chairman) Mr. Stoughman.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and confirmed.

Mr. A.C. Neaton proposed and Dr. For Stoughman seconded that "it was advisable that the society should have a recess until the 1st Thursday in March." The meeting then adjourned.

Read and confirmed. Nov. 15th 1867.

A. Montgomery.

Dr. Foster's Office. Nov. 14th 1867.

Present: Mr. Neaton, B. Wheelan, Capt. A.C. Neaton, S. Neaton, A. Montgomery, and Mr. Foster.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and confirmed.

The report was drawn up and agreed to - congratulating the society upon their success in getting in the amount of subscriptions - recommending monthly instead of weekly meetings. The report proposed being the 2nd Thursday in each month - also recommending that an estimate of free subscriptions shall be made charged.

Read and confirmed. Nov. 15th 1867.

Chairman.
Mechanics Institute
June 13th, 1869

The Committee met at 7.00. Present: Reader, Dr. E. Newton, R. Newton, G. Place, W. E. Wheeler.

After some animated discussion, the following resolution proposed by Mr. E. Newton and seconded by Mr. W. Newton was carried:

That the Committee shall give notice this evening to the general meeting that they will next month propose that the Society adopt some scheme for securing their books in the hands of Trustees or the Mechanics Institute as at present on similar conditions - depositing their money with the Bank of New England in the hands of the said Trustees - present members remaining free without paying any subscription. The Trustees to call a meeting upon resignation of five members. The said Trustees to be appointed by the Society.

Read and confirmed.

Chairman.