

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE HELD AT THE IRISH CENTRE
ON THE 14TH JUNE 1983

Present: Fr. Malone, D Egan, J Kennedy, Sr. Anne-Marie, D Ambrose,
M Moroney, D Quinn, P Judge, D Daly, M Kenny, F Ahern,
J Troy, T Dunne.

Apologies: Canon Woods, Fr. Fullam, Fr. Gordon.

Minutes Last Meeting:

An apology from T Dunne was omitted.

Mrs Daly said she and P Judge had brought the question of the security personnel to the attention of the Committee.

P Judge and J Troy said that the first paragraph of page 3. did not reflect their comments and the paragraph was deleted.

With the above amendments a motion proposed by M Moroney and seconded by D Daly the minutes be taken as read was carried.

Matters Arising:

The Bobby Sands meeting was held. Fr. Malone was happy with the general reaction.

P Judge proposed and T Dunne seconded that subject to clarification on the profits tax question, a license be sought on which the McNamara trading could be carried out to the Centre's best advantage. Carried.

Action: Fr. Malone

The ticket seller had not apologised to Mr Doyle and Mary Kenny.

Action: D Egan to follow up.

D Daly proposed and T Dunne seconded that future similar matters be dealt with by the Social Club Committee. Carried.

Regarding Security matters and on cost terms Fr. Malone requested that G B Security continued to be employed. They are £1.65 per hour cheaper than the competition.

T Dunne proposed, P Judge seconded that T Dunne seek the advice of a Security Professional known to him and that, in the interim, G B Security be retained. Carried.

Action: T Dunne/Fr. Malone

Election of Officers:

The following Officers were elected:

Chairman	D Egan	Proposed T Dunne, seconded D Quinn
Vice Chairman	T Dunne	Proposed M Moroney and seconded J Troy
Secretary	D Daly	Proposed P Judge, seconded T Dunne
Treasurer	Fr. Malone	Proposed T Dunne, seconded F Ahern

D Quinn agreed to take minutes.

Youth:

K Fitzsimons, ex committee member, wished to speak to the Committee on Youth matters.

Fr. Malone proposed and D Daly seconded that her mandate as Youth spokeswoman for the Committee remain and that she speak to Executive Members of the Committee.

Action: Fr. Malone/D Egan at 7.30 p.m. Thursday 16th June

Correspondence:

Lobbying continues re Local Authority grants and support.

Letter from the Solicitors re forming a Company Limited by Guarantee to run the Festival and protect the personal liability of the Festival Committee Members.

Discussion re protection for this year's Festival

Action: Fr. Malone to investigate and brief Festival Council Members at a meeting at 8.30p.m. on the 23rd June 1983.

Letter from T Devine thanking the Centre for honouring him and his wife during his year as Mayor of Camden.

Letter from Whitbread threatening to alter terms of their Loan if the turnover of their products does not increase within the next three months.

Fr. Malone wrote that he was putting ^{on} "Kickham" in Aherlow Hotel, Tipperary in aid of the Irish Centre.

Action: Fr. Malone to send Centre's wishes.

Finance Etc.:

Quarterly figures produced. Unhealthy position. Trading sluggish.

Fr. Malone raised the possibilities of a franchise with THF, Grand Met. etc.

The problem is to reconcile existing trading with the needs of franchisee.

J Kennedy proposed and P Judge and D Daly seconded that a sub-committee be set up to perform an immediate feasibility study.

Action: Fr. Malone, D Egan, D Daly, D Quinn to meet at 7.00 p.m. on 21st June 1983.

D Ambrose said the constitution was poorly drafted.

J Kennedy proposed and D Daly and T Durne seconded that the constitution be referred to Solicitors specifically to advise on the personal liability of committee members but that a sub-committee be first set up to consider the best approach.

Action: Fr. Malone, D Ambrose, M Moroney, T Durne to form a sub-committee and meet on Monday, 20th June at 1.00 p.m.

D Quinn proposed and D Daly seconded that a London Irish Centre Charity Welfare Account be opened to operate the business of community services.

Signatures: Two from Fr. Malone, Fr. Ryan, Sr. Joan

The motion was carried.

Other Business:

D Egan reported on his day spent investigating the management and cost control of the Centre's trading activities.

He found looseness in all cost areas and requested the committee's permission to record areas of deficiency and to instruct Management to correct them.

His object is, inter alia, to bring the Centre within the protection of employment legislation.

Motion proposed by Fr. Malone and seconded by J Kennedy. His request was approved.

The meeting concluded at 11.35 p.m.

Next Meeting:

The Irish Centre at 8.00 p.m. on Tuesday the 5th July 1983.