

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE HIGHGATE BRANCH OF THE ANTI-PARTITION OF IRELAND LEAGUE, held at the Winchester Hotel, on June 29th 1939

Mr. HARVEY, took the chair, being the Senior Member of the Committee

The Minutes of the previous Meeting were read and found correct.

It was reported that the Hampstead members of the League were always circularised concerning Meetings of the Highgate Branch.

The Secretary reported that Stamford Hill Branch was not in favour of an outdoor meeting but were willing to co-operate with Highgate Branch in social activities and or a small public meeting. The Meeting instructed the Secretary to ascertain future social activities of the Stamford Hill Branch and to announce these at the next meeting.

A report on the Speeches at the previous Meeting was then read.

The Secretary reported that there were 59 members attached to the Highgate Branch of whom 10 had not yet paid their subscriptions.

The Treasurer reported that the balance in hand was 10s. 6d.

A discussion took place on methods of increasing membership during which it was suggested that our present meeting place was not ideal.

A circular from Central Office was read announcing that the minimum subscription had been reduced to 1s.Od. per year and it was hoped that this would result in an increase in membership.

The election of a Chairman, in place of Mr. BRENNAN, who had left the neighbourhood was then considered. Mr. O'Sullivan proposed that Mr. McKenna be elected as Chairman. No other candidate was proposed and Mr. McKenna was declared duly elected.

Mr. P.J. DUNPHY, organiser of the League in Croydon, then addressed the Meeting. A Report on his Speech is given separately.

In view of the election of the Branch Secretary as Chairman, it was decided to appoint a new Secretary. Mr. Gallacher proposed Mr. EAMONN DUNNE as Secretary, in place of Mr. McKenna. No other candidate being proposed, Mr. Dunne was duly elected.

Mr. Martin proposed that two ladies be elected to the Committee in place of Messrs. Brennan and Wheeler. This was agreed to. Mr. Martin then proposed Miss HYLAND and Mr. Dunne proposed Miss GUILFOYLE. The Meeting then unanimously elected Miss HYLAND and Miss GUILFOYLE as members of the Committee.

It was decided that the next Meeting of the Branch be held on Thursday the 27th July at 8 o'clock, at the WINCHESTER HOTEL. The Meeting then terminated.