MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE HELD AT THE IRISH CENTRE ON WEDNESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER 1987

The meeting was opened under the Chairmanship of Mr T Dunne.

PRESENT:

Mr T Mangan, Mrs M Allen, Mr T Dunne, Mr J Myers, Miss Mary Kenny, Mr C O'Connell.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr P Keegan

APOLOGIES:

Rev T Scully, Mr J O'Flynn, Mr A Coyle and Mr F Swan.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous meeting having been circulated were taken as read on a proposition by J Myers and seconded by Miss M Kenny

MATTERS ARISING:

None.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Mr Keegan stated that the profit from the 1986/87 Twelve Monthly Car Draw amounted to £20,451.23. Income for the first six months of 1987 showed a slight increase in bar sales and catering. Entertainment £7,226, Grants £19,300 and Donations £2,542. Catering, Bars and Booking of Bands should be carefuly looked at. The possibility of acquiring a microwave oven was discussed as this would be ideal for serving snacks. Teas and coffees should also be available upon request.

DIRECTOR'S REPORT

In Fr Scully's absence Mr Dunne reported that everything was going according to plan and work should be finished on time. A site meeting will take place on Thursday 10th September.

COMMUNITY SERVICES

The new Social Workers had been engaged bringing the total to five. It was proposed by Mr C O'Connell and seconded by Mr J Myers that job descriptions should be clearly set out and approved by the

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Administrative Committee. It was further agreed that the door to the Welfare Department should remain open till normal closing time at 5.30pm. The Hostels continue to work to full capacity. Re the 1987/88 Car Raffle 1,200 letters had been sent out. It was agreed that greater effort to realize 2,000 members is called for. Guinness have been written to with regard to the refurbishment of the Douglas Hyde lounge and small bar. Smurfit Group have also been written to. Bank of Ireland will promote Car Raffle and deal with covenants. Aer Lingus and AIB are sponsoring a function at the Hilton Hotel on Saturday September 26th — proceeds to The Irish Centre.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Miss K Fitzsimons had approached the Irish Centre with a Youth Official from ILEA with a request to hold Disco's to enable her to recoup the loss of £1,000 which she incurred during her trip to the United States last Winter when she accompanied several members of the youth there. Miss Fitzsimons was told disco's were out of the question and while the Irish Centre commiserated with her over her loss of £1,000 she did after all arrange the trip of her own accord and therefore it was not the responsibility of The Irish Centre to re-imburse her.

During the last few weeks complaints had been received from a number of patrons with regard to the behaviour of certain members of staff. this was being dealt with.

There being no other business to discuss the meeting closed at 10.30pm.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY 13th OCTOBER 1987 AT 8PM

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