

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre on Wednesday 31st March 1982 at 9.15 p.m.

Present were: Miss E. Henahan Chairman Miss K. Fitzgerald vice-president Mr F. Aheue Asst. Secretary also Messrs R. O'Riordan W. Kelleher

Apologies from Messrs J. O'Sullivan P. Hartnett J. Sheehan D. O'Shea.

As the Secretary was not present no minutes of the previous meeting were available.

The meeting opened with the correspondence received by the Chairman

A letter from Mr G. Barrett regarding a Cork student who was seriously injured playing rugby and is now paralysed.

The Mayo Association forwarding 20 tickets for a benefit dance for the family of a Cork man.

Mr O'Riordan proposed we donate £20 Seconded by Mr Aheue.

The Working & District Irish Association's newsletter requesting we take part in their Festival on 30th May. It was decided that we would decline the request.

St. Patrick's Day Parade.

The Chairman said she was very disappointed at the support for the Cork Association and suggested that we review our participation in this event next year.

26th June Function

A band has been booked for the dance at the Irish

Centre. No meeting has been held to discuss the Talent Competition. Mr O'Riordan said the 5-a-side Football Tournament could be organised in a few weeks and suggested the tournament could be played on a league basis over two Sundays. There could be 4 sections: Under 18 Over 18 Under 21 Over 21. Mr O'Riordan will make enquiries.

Festival Day 4th July.

Mr Aheene reported that during his enquiries, as a member of the Festival Committee, he discovered that Mitchelstown Creameries, ^{IMPORTERS} would not have a stall of their own this year for financial reasons, but would be very interested in sharing the Cork stall. For this arrangement they are willing to donate £45. A discussion took place as to the amount of the donation. It was agreed that Mitchelstown Creameries should have a display area on our stall and Mr Aheene will ~~neg~~ negotiate with them. Mr Kelleher brought sample of Cork caps which costs £1 each, including the Cork badge. A minimum order of 300.

Annual Dinner

It was decided to invite the Lord Mayor of Cork and the Irish Ambassador to our annual dinner on 6th November. Mr Aheene and Mr O'Riordan will liaise on booking a band.

C. I. C. A.

Mr Oheune reported on the AGM of the C. I. C. A. During this meeting a delegate from Cavan questioned the Cork Association about a grant from the Welfare Fund for a Cavan family. This money has been paid to the Association in Dec. but the family had not received the grant. Mr O' Riordan said all applications for welfare grants should be on the agenda.

AOB.

Mr Kelleher said Mrs Betty Mc Daid would be pleased to join the Committee. The Chairman said that at present she is unaware of the number of Committee members. Mr O' Riordan said we need Committee members who are prepared to work and suggested that it would be helpful if we knew the background of prospective Committee members. Mr Kelleher proposed we co-opt Mrs Mc Daid. Seconded by Mr Oheune.

As there is no other business the meeting closed at 10.30 p.m.

Date of next meeting: 28th April at 9.00 p.m.

Chairman: J. Honohan

Date:

Proposed by: M. Kelleher

Seconded by: R. O. Riordan

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD AT THE IRISH CENTRE ON
WEDNESDAY 28th APRIL AT 9-00 PM.

PRESENT

L. Mc DAID
M. KELLEHER
R. O RIOR DAN
E. HONAHAN Chairman
M. DOOLEY Secretary
F. AHERN
K. FITZGERALD.

ABSENT WITH APOLOGUES

J. SULLIVAN
P. HARTNETT.
J. SHEEHAN
N. GOWND.
D. SHEA.
E. LEHANE.

The chairman OPENED THE MEETING AND THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING WERE READ AND ADOPTED.

CORRESPONDENCE: RECEIVED

An INVOICE FROM THE IRISH CENTRE FOR £24 FOR REFRESHMENTS AT THE AGM.

A FUND RAISING CIRCULAR ON BEHALF OF THE ROYAL ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF IRELAND, CORE FUND RAISING COMMITTEE.

A LETTER FROM THE YOUNGHAL ASSOCIATION PROMOTING THEIR DANCE ON MAY 8th 1982.

A LETTER FROM THE "BRITAIN OUT OF IRELAND" MOVEMENT ADVISING A DEMONSTRATION MARCH ON 8/05/82

A LETTER FROM SEARADH Ó BRIAIN GIVING INFORMATION ABOUT HER RADIO PROGRAMME "FAITE ISTEACH AN RADIO ÉIREANN".

A letter from the Bobby SANDS. Commemoration Committee, ADVISING A SOCIAL EVENING AND MEETING in SUPPORT OF THEIR AIMS on May 6th 1982

A bulletin from the Irish Centre Charley Walk Committee advising of their sponsored walk on 20/6/82.

26th JUNE.

With regard to this evening, it was decided early in the discussion to hold a Talent Competition on this night with prizes of £20 + £10 to the winner + runner up, this was proposed by R. O'Riordan + seconded by M. Deohy. This event was to be advertised fully in the press and on Radio in the Radio BIREAM programme, "FALLEN TEACH, the latter being suggested by M. Kelleher. The debate then moved to pricing the tickets for admission, Mr Aherne felt that the tickets should be reasonably priced as to attract as many as possible to the dance, Mr Deohy and Mrs McDavid felt that the tickets should reflect the realistic cost of the evening as running functions at a loss was not aim of the Association. There followed a long debate on behalf of both these arguments, eventually arriving at the decision that the 26th June fell on a day which was unsuitable for our purposes, as we would find it difficult to charge cost-effective prices for our tickets and still expect to get a crowd to attend on that evening. It was proposed by Mr Kelleher and seconded M. Deohy that Mr Aherne should cancel our date in June and attempt to rebook a more suitable date, this motion was CARRIED.

FESTIVAL DAY

The discussion on this item of the Agenda was brief. Mr. Ahern advised the meeting that contact with agents for Mitchestown Creamery would be taking the Corner Stall on FESTIVAL DAY. Mr. Deleher agreed to do key of the door Aquin, and some comments were made on the provision of stewards for the Organising Committee.

Annual Dinner

It was confirmed that the GUESTS ~~will~~ for this evening would be as decided at a previous meeting.

The Lord Mayor of Cork and the Irish ambassador, the Band for the evening to be Southern Comfort, Costing £100. There was also a discussion regarding the profit margin on the tickets for the Dinner. The secretary felt that the meeting should set a profit margin on the tickets at this stage which later could be added to the cost, and a price for the Annual Dinner arrived at. The meeting felt that this was an unrealistic step to take at this early stage, and the matter was referred.

C. / C. A.

NO REPORT.

A. O. B.

Mr. Kelleher and K. Fitzgerald raised the matter of the NEWS letter to the membership. The Secretary informed them that one was being attempted to. Mr. Aileen informed the Secretary that it had been the custom to issue 4 such letters a year, covering any piece of CORK NEWS Available.

Mr. Kelleher informed the Committee that due to ill-health Mr. J. Shea could no longer serve as VICE CHAIRMAN, though he wished to remain on the committee. The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr. Shea and pass on the members wish for his speedy recovery; the election of a new VICE chairman to be held over till the next meeting.

The date of the next meeting was set for the 26/05/82 and 9-00

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10-15 pm.

PROPOSED: M. Kelleher
SECONDED: K. Fitzgerald

Chairman J. Honohan
26/5/82

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre
on WEDNESDAY 26/05/82 at 9 pm.

PRESENT WERE,

C. HARTNETT.
M. KENNEDY.
L. McDAID.
K. FITZGERALD.
E. HONAHAN.
P. HARTNETT.

ABSENT.
F. LEHANE
J. O'Sullivan
J. Sheehan
N. Gould.
D. O'Shea
R. O'Riordan.

Apologies J. Sullivan. F. Ahern, R. O'Riordan

THE CHAIRMAN OPENED THE MEETING, THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING WERE READ AND ADAPTED.

TREASURER REPORT.

Mr Hartnett gave the balances of the association & c
stated all bills have been paid - they stand as follows.

C/A. 382-80 CR.

D/A. 476.35 CR

BUILDING FUND. £1363-18 + INT.

He also informed the committee that the evening on
the 13/02/82 showed a profit of £28, he also wished
to go on record as being very grateful to the
Kanturk Association for their help and also
asked that the secretary might be instructed to
write and thank the Kanturk Association for
their excellent prize of a set of Tungsten Darts
which were presented in the course of the evening
PRIZE GIVING.

The committee were also informed that the association had only 28 fully paid up members, this figure included committee members.

26 June.

The secretary informed the meeting that this function had been cancelled per the Committee's instructions of the 28th Apr. 82, it had not been possible to rebook a more suitable date. The Treasurer, on a point of order, informed the committee that the McNamara Hall had been booked for the 26/6/82 and not the Kennedy hall as had been mentioned, however he was delighted to hear the function had been postponed as he felt the loss likely to be incurred would not be desirable. The discussion then broadened and included remarks by Mr. Kelleher, The Secretary, and the chairman on the subject of membership. The point was raised that Dances as such were a thing of the past, J. Mc David disagreed with this point of view and felt that with combined effort +

organisation, they could be made to work ~~versus~~ profitably. Mr Harbrett asked that the discussion be brought back to the item on the agenda, Miss Mc David felt it should be discussed in more general terms. It was eventually decided that the ~~matter~~ would be referred to a special meeting on membership to be held ~~after~~ the Festival Day.

FESTIVAL DAY.

It was agreed that TEA Towels. Hats + Rosettes, Sweet Rock and the Key of the door should be included in the stall at the Irish festival, Mr Harbrett agreed to look into the ~~matter~~ of the tea towels, Mr. Dooley the rocks. and a suggestion for COOK. TEE shirts + Scarfs to be investigated by C. Harbrett. ~~A~~ meeting on Wednesday 16th June was called to deal with these matters more ~~thoroughly~~

Annual Dinner.

This item was referred,

C.I.C.A

No Report.

A.O.B.

ELECTION of NEW Vice Chairman.

This was referred to the meeting 16/06/02.

There being no further business the meeting closed
at 10.30

Proposed M. Kelleher

Seconded K. Fitzgerald.

Chairman - J. Howshaw

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish
Centre on Wednesday 16/6/82

Present were,

P. Hartnett, - Treasurer.

K. FITZGERALD.

L. McDAID.

M. Kelleher.

D. Allen.

J. Sullivan.

R. O'Riordan.

N. Gould.

F. Aherne.

E. Honahan. CHAIRMAN.

M. DOOLEY. Sec.

Apologies. M. Murphy. F. Kehane.

The chairman opened the meeting and the
minutes of the previous meeting were read and
adopted.

Matters Arising: Arising from the previous meeting a brief discussion followed on the point of order relating to the booking of Halls for Dances at the Irish Centre. Mr. Hartnett appeared and that he had booked the McNamara Hall for the proposed function on the 26/6/82. Mr. Allen said that according to the Records of the Irish Centre, the Kennedy Hall had been booked. Mr. Hartnett was adamant that he had booked the McNamara and it appears that the Management of the Irish Centre had made a mistake. Mr. Sullivan intervened and said that as the dance had been cancelled the matter was now academic, but that confirmation should be sought in all future bookings. Mr. Allen agreed with this and the matter was dropped.

FESTIVAL DAY 4/7/82,

Arrangements for the stall at the IRISH FESTIVAL were outlined as follows.

STOCK.

4. BOXES of CORK ROCK.

HATS. 200 - @ 50p

ROSETTES. 1000 @ 1.50p.

CARTER SAOIR who were paying £70 for the use of HALF THE STALL. would be carrying all MATCHES down. Meat + Creamery products.

Key of the door to be handed again by Mr W. Delleher. Mr. Allen was to give this to Mr. Delleher on the day.

Soft DRINKS. 20 DOZ.

IT HAD BEEN HOPED TO HAVE TEE SHIRTS BUT THESE HAD PROVED TO BE EXPENSIVE. BUT IT WAS PLANNED TO SELL TEA TOWELS AND SOUVENIRS FROM CORK BUT TO DATE THESE HAD NOT ARRIVED.

The TEAM picked for the stall was as follows.

J. Sullivan.

K. FITZGERALD.

MRS KERWICK.

M. Dooly

N. Crowley

L. Mc DAID.

M. Kelleher.

Transport and erection of the stall was to be handled by M Dooly and a volunteer and friend of Mr Hartnett one P. J. Crowley.

Mr. Kelleher then raised the matter of refreshment for those people making the stall, and whether of something could be arranged, however the committee present felt that the matter was best left to the individuals concerned, and those involved undertook that they would make their own arrangements.

The matter of ~~stalls~~ was raised by Mr. Thomas but as none were yet available the matter was not discussed in detail.

Election of Vice-chairman.

Mr R. O Riordan was proposed, by Mr M. Doherty and seconded Mr J. Sullivan for this post. however Mr O Riordan felt he was over committed at present and requested that he had to turn down the nomination.

Mr F. Ahern was then proposed by Mr O Riordan and seconded by M. Doherty and after a vote was duly elected. This left the position of Assistant Secretary vacant.

Mr. F. Ahern proposed Miss N. Gould for this position and this was seconded by Mrs K. Fitzgerald, after a vote Miss Gould was duly elected; Mr Hartnett + Mr Sullivan joined in congratulating these people on their election to these office positions and hoped they would keep up the good-work.

A. O. B.

Mr. P. Hartnett made his apologies to the meeting for not being able to attend the festival. Coming festival day, he was to attend a meeting in Ireland for the same day.

Mr. Dooly informed the meeting that the investigation he was asked to make at the Rosary Club had proved fruitless and held no promise for the Association.

The date of next meeting was set for July 14, 1982. There being no further business, the meeting closed at 10-45 pm.

Proposed D. Allen
Seconded P. Hartnett

Chairman
J. Hurmi

Minutes of the meeting held at the Irish Centre
on September 8th 1982 AT NINE O'CLOCK.

PRESENT WERE.

P. HARBRETT.
K. FITZGERALD.
L. MC DAID
M. KEHEHER.
D. ALLEN.
J. SULLIVAN.
R. O'Riordan.
F. AHERN.
F. LEHANE.
M. DOOLEY
K. SCANNON.

In the absence of Miss E. O'Honahan, our chairman, Mr F. AHERN the Vice chairman opened the meeting and presided.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.

Matters Arising: K. Fitzgerald thanked Mr P. Harbrett for all the work he put into the furniture for the stall at ^{the} Roundwood Festival. Mr J. O'Sullivan reiterated this and wish also to thank K. Fitzgerald and all the people who helped with the stall.

On Mr Hartnett's suggestion + unanmly agreed by the meeting, the Secretary was instructed to communicate the Associations thanks to Mr P. J. Cooney for all the work he put in on the festival day, and to offer him two tickets to the Dinner done by way of thanks.

Correspondence. (NONE)

Treasurer's Report.

As the Treasurer was not in a position to give a full statement of affairs with regard to the balance at the Irish festival, he suggested that it be referred to a later meeting. He did mention that the merchandise had not arrived in time from Dublin for the festival but as yet he had not been invoiced for it. He said it was not his intention to meet this invoice till next July and would return the

merchandise if the suppliers would forward the
required postal charges. At this point
Mr. Hester suggested that the talents of the
Key of the Lock be donated to the Irish
Centre as after all it was their equipment
and they could do with the money. This proposal
was not seconded and received no support.
Mr. O'Sullivan pointed out that the Cork
Assoc. had helped the I.C. in the past running
two societies a month, and finally donating
2000 to the cause. It was generally felt
that it would be better to improve the
Association's financial position. This was
the opportunity for Cork-people to be of
greater assistance to the I.C. Mr. Hester
pointed out that our Bank Balance was
trying to recover from the loss of approx 400
on the Dinner Dance in 1980 due to tickets
not being paid for, and that we were not

in a position to be address. Mr. Whelan
withdrew the suggestion.

Annual Dinner.

With regard to this function it was agreed
to price the tickets at £11 per head with wine.
It was confirmed that a Band had been booked
and that the guest would be invited, the guest
of honour hopefully would be the Irish Ambassador.
The Harbours stated that we are still in
recession and that selling tickets would
be difficult but that we must all do our
best this year.

A O B,

The Secretary advised the committee that
he had instructed a solicitor to write to
Mr. John Murphy requesting an explanation as
to why the tickets to the Dinner 1980 were still
outstanding.

The date of the next meeting was set
for Sept 29 1982.

There being no further business the meeting
closed at 10-25 pm.

Proposed P. Hartnett

Chairman J. Anderson

Seconded M. Kelleher

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Irish
Centre on OCT. 6 1982. AT NINE O'CLOCK.

Present were.

E. Horgan, Chairman.
P. Harcourt, Treasurer.
K. Fitzgerald.
F. Kehane.
M. Kelleher.
L. Mc David.
R. O Riordan, see.
M. DOOLEY.

Apologies from F. Ahern, K. Scaylon, J. Sullivan.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and adopted.
Treasurer's Report. Mr Harcourt gave an indication
of the situation with reference to the takings at the stall at the
Irish Festival, however as the official statement of affairs
was still in preparation he asked that a more concise summary
be referred to a later meeting. He outlined the Association's
position with the BANK, and gave the opinion that things
were improving. However he did emphasise the point that
discuss within any meeting should be kept in camera and
not repeated outside.

Dinner Done. The meeting went on to discuss this forthcoming function in some detail. Decisions were made with regard to the order of speeches, the menu cards, and their printing, Mr Phoenix was named as the gentleman looking after this matter, Mr Kelleher asked that the security within the hall on that night be properly organised, and suggested that we employ a doorman again this year as in previous years. With regard to the tickets the secretary gave these out, and asked the committee to do their best, as we needed 150 to 170 sold to make the evening a success. The secretary was asked to approach Mr Malou to say grace in that night, and also to confirm the Bar arrangements. The secretary confirmed that all the guests were attending with the exception of the Ambassador who would be represented by Mr Dempsey. The meeting finalised other arrangements with regard to the Bar the photographs and flowers etc. and then

moved on to discuss any other business.

This proved to be a very interesting debate. Mr Kelleher and Miss Mc Daid revealed the Trojan work they had been doing over the previous weeks, going around the Irish Clubs in their area. as a direct result of this, they procured thirty eight new members for the association and also gained valuable introductions for the association in these instabilities. a case in Point being the Shannon Centre in Iford who offered their facilities to the committee to run a function if they so wished. Mr Kelleher also produced a most marvelous set of Posters advertising the Dinner Dance and said that he was confident that his new contacts would lead to a lot of Tickets being sold. The committee were very impressed by all this and congratulated Mr Kelleher + Miss Mc Daid for their efforts.

The Treasurer and the secretary then put forward their proposals for recovering the monies outstanding to the

Dinner Dance in 1980, they informed the meeting that a solicitor had been instructed in this regard and that legal action was contemplated. They asked the committee for full backing, which they received, and the Secretary pointed out that on a point of principle it was important that this matter be passed to a conclusion.

Congratulations were expressed to Mr Kehane on his recent elevation to the Council of the Knights, which the meeting felt was just recognition for all the work he has put into that Association.

The date of the next meeting was set for Monday the 25/10/82

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.45 pm

Proposed: F Kehane

Seconded: M. Kelleher

Chairman: G Hancock

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Irish Centre
on the 12/1/83, at 8.30 pm.

Present were.

F. Aherne.
M. Jordan
P. Hartnett
K. Fitzgerald
F. Lehane
M. Murphy.
J. Sullivan.
B. McPais
R. O'Riordan.
W. Kelleher.
A. Gould.

In the absence of the chairperson, Mr Aherne took the chair and convened the meeting.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by Miss N. Gould as the Secretary had missed that meeting, these were adapted.

Matters Arising

The Secretary took the opportunity of expressing some criticism of his handling of the telephone department which had been voiced at the previous meeting at which he was not present.

He pointed out that Mr Kelleher had been placed at Table No 6, at the request of Miss K Scanlon and that his "The Secretary" understood this to mean that Mr Kelleher, + Miss K. Scanlon, had agreed to this

acknowledgment.

With regard to ~~Washington~~ Mr. Dave Shea, ~~the~~ Secretary of the Dances-Dance, ~~had~~ had phoned, Mr. O Shea in the company of Mr. P. Hartnett three weeks before the Dances-Dance, Mr. Hartnett confirmed this.

On hearing these explanations Mr. Kelleher withdrew his criticism.

Before moving on to the next item of the Agenda Miss McDaniel brought to the meeting attention that raffle tickets were on sale in the hall during the Dances-Dance without the sanction of the ~~meeting~~ committee. Mr. Ahern accepted responsibility for sanctioning the sale of these tickets as he believed it to be a good cause - namely to assist the Canton Assoc. Miss McDaniel made the point that these decisions should only be made by the committee and not by the officers on their own initiative.

Treasurer Report: Mr. Hartnett gave a general picture of the Association's finances

coming up to the A.C.M., and stated that
the overall position was optimistic given the
year 81-81, that the Association had come through
A.C.M.

The Secretary read out the nominations received
for the officers of the Committee. They read as
follows.

President:

J. O Sullivan, R. Allen.

Vice-President:

K. Fitzgerald, M. Muppy, R. Allen.

Chairman:

C. Burke, E. Honahan, P. Harbrett.

Vice-Chairman

D. O'Shea, F. Aherne, R. O'Riordan.

Secretary

E. Honahan,
N. Gould,
B. McDade.

~~F. Aherne, R. O'Riordan~~

Asst Secretary

N. Gould, B. McDade.

Treasurer

M. Doohy, P. Harbrett.

The Nominations for the Committee were as follows.

F. Ahern.
F. Kehane.
K. Seanhan.
M. Deokey
R. O'Riordan.
B. Mc Dade.
M. Kelleher.
C. Harbnett
D. Harbnett
N. Gould,
C. Burke
E. Honahan.

The President thanked the officers + Committee for their work throughout the year, and hoped that the coming year would see further advances in the Committee's work.

Matters concerning the Quiz + The Darts Competition + The Booking of the Hall for the Dress-Dance 1983 were referred to the incoming committee.

A.O.B.

The Secretary informed the meeting that the Scholarship award on behalf of the Association with regard to the Murphy affair was not going to charge the Association for his services!

The matter of the Committee Party was discussed and approved for the 23/1/83 at 7 o'clock, Mr. Harbott was handling arrangements.

Mr Harbott brought the committee attention to a disturbing domestic predicament in which he found one of his neighbours. Both the parents in this particular family had died leaving four children to fend for themselves. Local people in the area were helping out, but the undertakers bill was still outstanding. After some discussion the Secretary was asked to approach the Secretary of the Roscommon Assoc. and obtain assistance for this family from the Council of Irish Combins.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10-00 pm.

Proposed: F. Ahern.

Seconded: K. Seelan

Chairman: F. Honohan.