

LEABHLARLANNA CHONNDÁE N- GAILLIMÉ.

(County Galway Libraries).

County Book Repository,
Galway, 12th January, 1929.

Sir (Madam),

A Monthly Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee will be held on Saturday, the 19th day of January, 1929, in the County Book Repository, Prospect Hill, Galway, at the hour of two o'clock, p.m.

I am, Sir (Madam),
Your obedient servant,

J. Maguire
Secretary and County Librarian.

- To each member of the committee.
- To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
- To the Secretary to the County Council.
- To the Town Clerk, Galway.
- To the Treasurer.
- To the Editors of newspapers published in the county.

A G E N D A.

1. Minutes of the last meeting.
2. Examination of books, etc.
3. Accounts.
4. Correspondence.
5. Notice of Motion:-
I, or some member on my behalf, will at the next meeting, move that the hour of meeting of the committee be reconsidered.
P. Kelly.
6. Notice of Motion:-
I, or some member on my behalf, shall at the next Monthly Meeting, move that Minute no. 265, rescinded at the meeting on December 1st, be restored.
James O'Dea.
7. General.

LEABHLARLANNA CHONNDÁE N- GAILLIMÉ.

County Book Repository,
Galway, 21st January, 1929.

Sir (Madam),

I append herewith a copy of the Minutes of the Proceedings of a Monthly Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee held on Saturday, the 19th day of January, 1929.

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Your obedient servant,

J. Maguire
Secretary and County Librarian.

- To each member of the committee.
- To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
- To the Secretary, County Council.
- To the Town Clerk, Galway.
- To the Treasurer.
- To the Secretary, Carnegie United Kingdom Trust.
- To the Editors of newspapers published in the county.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS of a Monthly Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee held on Saturday, the 19th day of January, 1929.

PRESENT:

H. J. Cooke, Co. C., U. D. C., the Reverend A. J. Galley, B. A., P. Kelly, U. D. C., J. Lee, U. D. C., the Very Reverend J. Canon Mitchell, M. A., the Very Reverend J. P. M. Canon Nash, M. A., the Reverend J. O'Dea, B. A., B. C. L., H. O'Toole, Co. C., and J. H. Pringle.

APOLOGY.

An apology for inability to attend was received from Professor John Howley, M. A., D. Litt.

480. Chairman of the Meeting:-

RESOLVED - That Councillor Cooke be Chairman of the meeting.

481. Minutes:-

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the last meeting, circularised each member, be taken as read and signed.

482. Examination of Books, etc.:-

RESOLVED - That the Bank Pass Book, the Receipts and Expenditure Book and Form 1, as presented, on examination being found correct, be signed.

Monthly Financial Statement - December.

Balance	Gr.	£266	7	6
Sums received during month		-		
		266	7	6
Payments ordered at last Financial Meeting		172	4	3
Net Balance	Gr.	94	3	3
<u>RECONCILEMENT:-</u>				
Balance per Pass Book	Gr.	95	4	3
Outstanding Orders		1	1	.
Net Balance as above	Gr.	94	3	3

483. Accounts:-

RESOLVED - That the following accounts, amounting to £110:4:4, as presented, be authorised and that the Treasurer's Advice Note be signed:-

Books (new and Replacements)	£60	3	.
Stationery.....	1	15	6
Cleaning and heating.....	3	5	.
Transport.....	1	17	6
Petty Cash.....	3	.	.
Salaries.....	40	3	4

484. Ministry of Local Government and Public Health :-

The Secretary submitted Letter G86052/1928 from the Ministry.

RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to forward a copy of the application made, and to state the grounds on which the increase was passed.

485. REPORT OF SUB-Committee Meeting:-

RESOLVED - That the following recommendations of the Sub-Committee Meeting of the 14th January, 1929, be approved:-

486.

Having examined a consignment of books (non-fiction) received on approval from Messrs. The Woolston Book Co., Nottingham, the Secretary was instructed to prepare a list of the works and circulate copies among the members of the committee - a copy also to be supplied the Archbishop of Tuam.

487.

Having considered an application from Miss E. Kielty, Ballygar, for facilities or training in Librarianship, it was agreed that (a) Miss Kielty be given student facilities for training in Librarianship under the direction of the County Librarian; (b) no premium to be required; (c) no remuneration to be given her; (d) No guarantee be given of a post on completion of training; (e) The period of training to be not less than three months. The period may be extended at the discretion of the committee.

488.

The following Estimates for the year ending the 31st March, 1930, were approved:-

RECEIPTS: ↓

	£
County-at-large rate @ 2d in £	900
Galway U.D. rate @ 1d in £	120
Final instalment of Suppl. Grant from Carnegie Trust	100
Other Receipts	8
Total Estimated Receipts	1128

EXPENDITURE:-

Books.....	423
Office expenses.....	45
Other charges.....	173
Salaries.....	482
Total Estimated Expenditure	1123

489.

The Secretary was instructed to purchase a Manuscript Historical account of the Wardens of Galway (1805?) at a cost of 10/6.

490.

It was agreed that the offer of Wright's Publicity Agency of £30 for three years for advertising rights on book covers to be supplied free be accepted subject to the advertisements being limited to Galway in

particular and Ireland in general, and that the goods advertised are, as far as possible, of Irish manufacture.

491. Ministry of Local Government and Public Health - Library Accounts:-

NOTED - Circular Letter G.85638/1928 relative to the procedure to be followed by County Librarians in the keeping of accounts.

492. Public Lecture:

RESOLVED - That all arrangements for the delivery, by Mr. Colm O'Loughlin, M.A., Dublin, be left to the Secretary.

493. Carnegie Trust:-

RESOLVED - That the committee's best thanks be tendered the Carnegie Trustees for the payment of a further instalment, amounting to £150, of the Supplementary Grant to the committee.

494. Donation:-

RESOLVED - That the committee's best thanks be tendered the Carnegie Trustees for the gift of a copy of the "Report on the Supply and Training of Tutorial Class Tutors".

495. Notices of Motion (minutes Nos. 479 and 265):-

Councillor Kelly applied for leave to postpone his Notice of Motion until the next Monthly Meeting; and the Reverend J. O'Dea begged leave to withdraw his Notice of Motion relative to restoring minute no. 265, and to substitute for it the following:-

I, or some other person on my behalf, shall move at the next meeting of the committee that (a) the Library Assistants be requested to present themselves at either of the Library Association Examinations during the year 1929; (b) no application from the Library Assistants for increase of salary be considered until such time as they shall have passed the Library Association Examination in Practical Library Administration.

(Signed) James O'Dea.
19th January, 1929.

RESOLVED - That permission be granted Councillor Kelly to postpone his Notice of Motion and to the Reverend J. O'Dea to withdraw his Notice of Motion relative to minute no. 265 and and to substitute a new one.

496. Offer of Books for sale:-

RESOLVED - That the sum of thirty shillings be tendered the Principal of Kiltormer School for a number of works of Anglo-Irish fiction.

(Minutes 480 to 496 inclusive).

James O'Dea

James O'Dea

LEABHARLANNA CHONDAE NA GAILLINGHE.

(County Galway Libraries).

County Book Repository,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.
25th February, 1929.

Sir (Madam),

I append herewith a copy of the Minutes of the Proceedings of a Monthly Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee held on Saturday, the 23rd day of February, 1929.

I am, Sir (Madam),
Your obedient servant,

S. J. Maguire,
Secretary and County Librarian.

To each member of the committee.
To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
To the Secretary to the County Council.
To the Town Clerk, Galway.
To the Treasurer.
To the Secretary, Carnegie United Kingdom Trust.
To the Editors of newspapers published in the county.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS of a Monthly Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee held on Saturday, the 23rd day of February, 1929.

Present: The Reverend A.J. Gailey, B.A., F.Kelly, U.D.C., T.Kyne, G.Lynch, Co.C., U.D.C., J.Moroney, N.T., the Very Reverend J.F.M. Canon Nash, M.A., the Reverend J. O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L.

Apology: An apology for inability to attend on account of illness was received from Professor J. Howley, D.Litt., M.A.

497. Chairman of the meeting: RESOLVED - That the Reverend J.O'Dea be Chairman of the meeting.

498. Minutes of the last meeting: RESOLVED - That the minutes of the last meeting, circularised each member, be taken as read and signed.

499. Examination of Books, etc.: RESOLVED - That the Bank Pass Book, the Receipts and Expenditure Book, and Form 1, as presented, on examination being found correct, be signed.

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Monthly Financial Statement, January, 1919:-

	£	s	d
Balance	Cr. 94	8	3
Received during month	150	8	
	244	11	3
Payments ordered at last meeting	110	4	4
Net Balance	Cr. 134	6	11
Reconciliation:-			
Balance per Pass Book	Cr. 189	4	3
Outstanding Orders	54	17	4
Net Balance as above	Cr. 134	6	11

500. Accounts:

RESOLVED - That the accounts, as presented, amounting to £132 12 7, be authorised, and that the Treasurer's Advice Note be signed.

ACCOUNTS:-

Books.....	63	12	5
Printing and Stationery.....	18	8	2
Heating, cleaning, etc.....	2	5	
Transport and Travelling.....	5	3	8
Petty Cash.....	3		
Salaries.....	40	3	4

501. Ministry of Local Government and Public Health:

The Secretary submitted the Ministry's letter G.5909/1929, apropos minute no. 472 (increase of salary to Miss K. Ronaldson).

RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to request the Ministry, in view of the County Council's approval of the 30th ultimo, to reconsider the matter.

502. Books purchased at public auction:

RESOLVED - That the Secretary's action in purchasing Dr. Davitt's collection of books at an average cost of 7½d per volume be approved of.

503. Wright's Publicity Service:

NOTED - The acceptance of the committee's conditions by Wright's Publicity Agency relative to grant and book covers.

504. IRISH TEXTS SOCIETY PUBLICATIONS:

APPROVED - Secretary's purchase from W.G. Neale, Eastbourne, of vols. 3 - 24 of the Irish Texts Society publications at a cost of £16 10 0.

505. Customs Agent:

RESOLVED - That the London, Midland and Scottish Railway be authorised to act as the committee's agent for the purpose of passing Customs entries.

506. NEW MEMBER:

Noted - The election of Mr. John Burke, Walsh's Terrace, by the County Council as a member of the County Libraries Committee.

507. NOTICE OF MOTION (minute no. 495):

It was proposed by the Reverend J.O'Dea, seconded by Urban District Councillor Kelly, and RESOLVED - That the Library Assistants be

requested to present themselves at either of the Library Association Examinations during the year 1929.

508.

It was proposed by the Reverend J.O'Dea, seconded by the Very Reverend J.F.M. Canon Nash, and

RESOLVED - That no application from the Library Assistants for an increase of salary be considered until such time as they have passed the Library Association Examination in Practical Library Administration.

509. Notice of Motion (minute no.479)

RESOLVED - That permission be granted Urban District Councillor Kelly to postpone his Notice of Motion to the next meeting of the Committee.

510. Attendance of Members:

The Secretary reported on the attendance of members for the six months ended the 19th day of January, 1929:-

Total number of members	39
Number of meetings held.....	8
Total attendance of members.....	68
Average attendance per member.....	1.7
Average attendance per meeting.....	11.3

RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to inform each member of the law as regards the attendance of members, i.e., that members absent for six consecutive months from meeting, unless through illness or for some reason approved by the committee, their office shall on the expiration of those months become vacant.

RESOLVED ALSO - That the Secretary be instructed to inform the Secretary to the County Council of the committee's order.

511. Complaint re Centre at Kilconnell:

RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to inform County Councillor T.Kenny, Kilconnell, that County Councillor Lynch and the Secretary will call on him on the 11th proximo to enquire into his complaint made at the County Council meeting of the 20th instant.

(Minutes nos. 497 to 511 inclusive).

Joseph Mitchell

LEABHLARLANNA CHONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

County Book Repository,
Galway, 19th March, 1929.

Sir(Madam),

A Monthly Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee will be held on Saturday, the 23rd day of March, 1929, in the County Book Repository, Galway, at the hour of 2 o'clock, p.m.

I am, Sir(Madam),

Your obedient servant,

S. J. Maguire

Secretary and County Librarian.

- To each member of the committee.
- To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
- To the Secretary to the County Council.
- To the Town Clerk, Galway.

A G E N D A:-

1. Minutes of the last meeting.
2. Minutes of a Sub-Committee Meeting.
3. Examination of Books, etc.
4. Accounts.
5. Correspondence.
6. Notice of Motion. (Councillor T. Kelly relative to the hour of meeting).
7. General.

LEABHLARLANNA CHONNDAE NA GAILLIMHE.

(County Galway Libraries).

County Book Repository,
Galway, 25th March, 1929.

Sir (Madam),

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I am, Sir (Madam),
Your obedient servant,

S. J. Maguire,
Secretary and County Librarian.

To each member of the committee.
To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
To the Secretary to the County Council.
To the Town Clerk, Galway.
To the Treasurer.
To the Secretary, Library Association.
To the Secretary, Carnegie Trust.
To the Editors of newspapers published in the county.

Minutes of the Proceedings of a Monthly Meeting held on Saturday, the 23rd day of March, 1929.

Present:

J. Burke, J. Carter, N.T., M.J. Cooke, Co.C., U.D.C., the Reverend A.J. Gailey, B.A., Professor John Howley, M.A., D.Litt., P. Kelly, Co.C., the Very Reverend J. Canon Mitchell, M.A., the Very Reverend J.F.M. Canon Nash, M.A., the Reverend J.O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L.

512. Chairman: RESOLVED - That the Very Reverend J. Canon Mitchell, M.A., be Chairman of the meeting.
(Subsequently Professor John Howley, Vice-Chairman, arrived and replaced Canon Mitchell).

513. Minutes of the last meeting: RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the last meeting, circularised each member, be taken as read and signed.

514. Minutes of a Sub-Committee Meeting: RESOLVED - That the following minutes of the proceedings of a sub-committee meeting of Thursday, the 14th instant, be approved:-
Present: Professor John Howley, M.A., D.Litt., the Very Reverend J.F.M. Canon Nash, M.A., and the Reverend J. O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L.

RESOLVED - That the following recommendations be made to the next Monthly Meeting:-
(a) Lectures: That the sum of £5 be tendered respectively to Mr. Colm O'Loughlin, M.A., Dublin, and to Mr. J.H. Delargy, M.A., University College, Dublin, as expenses for lectures to be delivered at the Galway

Gaelic Theatre; and that the arrangements for the lectures made by the Secretary be approved.

(b) Books offered on approval: That the Secretary be authorised to obtain a selection of the books offered on approval by Messrs. Grafton & Co., London, and Messrs. Harrods, London.

(c) Ministry of Local Government and Public Health: That consideration of Letter G.15865/1929, be referred to the next Monthly Meeting.

(d) Library Association: That with the view of securing additional representation on the Library Association - the Secretary being already a member of that body - it is agreed that a recommendation be made that Professor John Howley, M.A., D.Litt., be elected as a representative of the committee on the Library Association.

515. Examination of Books, etc.: RESOLVED - That the Bank Pass Book, the Receipts and Expenditure Book, and Form 1, as presented, on examination being found correct, be signed.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT - February, 1929			
Balance as per last statement.....Cr.	134	6	11
Sums received during month.....	2	18	10
	137	5	9
Payments ordered at last meeting.....	132	12	7
Net Balance.....Cr.	4	13	2
Reconcilement:-			
Balance per Pass Book..... Cr.	105	13	10
Outstanding Orders.....	101	.	8
Net Balance as above..... Cr.	4	13	2

516. Accounts: RESOLVED - That the following accounts, amounting to £57 16 8, as presented, be authorised, and that the Treasurer's Advice Note be signed:-
Stationery 2/9; Transport 13/7; Cleaning £1:5:0; Petty Cash, Lecturers' expenses and L.A. Subscription £15:12:0; Salaries £40:3:4.

517. Ministry of Local Government and Public Health: The Secretary submitted Letter G.15865/1929 relative to the proposed increase in the salary of Miss K. Ronaldson.
RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to inform the Ministry
(a) that the committee's staff consists of a Librarian and one Senior Library Assistant and one Junior Library Assist, and that there is no Assistant Librarian;
(b) that the Ministry be supplied with the figures showing the substantial majority of the members of the County Council in favour of the proposed increase at a County Council Meeting of the 30th January last;
(c) That the Ministry be again respectfully requested to sanction the increase.

518. Library Association Examination, May, 1929: RESOLVED - That the Secretary request the Library Association to provide an Examination Centre at the University College, Galway, for the May Examination, and to add that Professor John Howley, M.A., D.Litt., University College Librarian, is willing to act as Supervisor.

519. Notice of Motion:
(minute no. 479)

RESOLVED - That Councillor F. Kelly's Notice of Motion relative to the hour of meeting of the committee be adjourned.

520. Attendance of

Members (Minute no. 510): RESOLVED - That the Secretary, in accordance with the Local Government (Ireland) Act, 1888, s. 75(14), and Part 2 - Application of Enactments Order, 1898, Article 12(9), be instructed not to supply agenda and copies of minutes to those members absent from six consecutive monthly meetings of the committee.

(Minutes nos. 512 to 520 inclusive).

Joseph Mitchell

LEABHARLANNA CHONNDÁE

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County Book Repository,
Galway, 20th April, 1929.

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Monthly Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee will be held on Saturday, the 27th day of April, 1929, in the County Book Repository, Galway, at the hour of two o'clock, p.m.

Is mise, le meas,

S. S. Maguire

Runaidhe agus Leabharlannaidhe.

To each member of the committee.
To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
To the Secretary to the County Council.
To the Town Clerk, Galway.
To the Treasurer.
To the Editors of newspapers published in the county.

AGENDA:-

1. Minutes of the last meeting.
2. Minutes of a sub-committee meeting.
3. Examination of books, etc.
4. Accounts.
5. Correspondence.
6. General.

LEABHLARLAINNA GHONNDAI

N. S. ILLIMH.

County Book Repository,
Galway, 27th April, 1929.

A Chara,

I append herewith a copy of the Minutes of the Proceedings of a Monthly Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee held on Saturday, the 27th day of April, 1929.

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S. S. Maguire,
Runaidhe agus Leabhlarlainnaidhe.

- To each member of the committee.
- To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
- To the Secretary to the County Council.
- To the Town Clerk, Galway.
- To the Treasurer.
- To the Secretary, The Library Association.
- To the editors of newspapers published in the county.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS of a Monthly Meeting held on Saturday the 27th day of April, 1929.

Present: J.J. Burke, J. Carter, N.T., E. Corbett, B.C., the Reverend A.J. Gailley, B.A., Professor John Howley, M.A., D.Litt., F. Kelly, U.D.C., James Lee, U.D.C., Gilbert Lynch, Co.C., U.D.C., the very Reverend J. Canon Mitchell, M.A., John Moroney, N.T., the Reverend J.O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L., J.M. Pringle.

- 521. Chairman of Meeting: RESOLVED - That the very Reverend J. Canon Mitchell, M.A., be Chairman of the meeting.
- 522. Minutes of the last meeting: RESOLVED - That the minutes of the last meeting, circularised each member, be taken as read, and signed.

523. Minutes of a Sub-Committee Meeting: Minutes of the Proceedings of a Sub-Committee Meeting held on Tuesday, the 23rd day of April, 1929.

Present: - the Reverend A.J. Gailley, B.A., Professor John Howley, M.A., D.Litt., the very Reverend J.O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L., and the Reverend J.M. Pringle, B.C.L.

Apology: - An apology for inability to attend was received from Gilbert Lynch, Co.C., U.D.C.

Donation: - It was recommended that the committee's best thanks be tendered Mrs. Moe. Tweedie, Devonshire House, Mayfair, London, for a gift of a copy of her book, "An adventurous journey (Russia - Siberia - China)".

Books on approval: - It was recommended that, with the exception of certain works of an ephemeral nature, the books

- received on approval be accepted.
- Irish Texts Society: - It was recommended that the Secretary be instructed to accept the order of W.S. Neale, Eastbourne, of vols. 1 and 2 of the Irish Texts Society publications at 15/- each.
- Customs Charges: - It was recommended that a strong protest be sent to the Woolston Book Co., Nottingham, against the passing on of a customs charge of 7/6 imposed in respect of charging trays.
- Library Association: - It was recommended that the committee view with regret the refusal of the Education Committee of the Library Association to establish an examination centre at the University College, Galway, for the May examination. The committee now call on the Library Association to facilitate candidates by the establishment of a centre at Galway for the December examination.

524 Examination of Books, etc.: RESOLVED - That the Bank Pass Book, the Receipts and Expenditure Book and Form 1, as presented, on examination being found correct, be signed.

525. Accounts: - RESOLVED - That the following accounts, amounting to £ 193 6 8, as presented, be authorised, and that the Treasurer's Advice Note be signed: - Books £100.1.6; Printing and Stationery £30.2.4; Cleaning, heating, etc. £2.7.6; Transport and travelling £5.12.10; Petty Cash and Sundries £4.2.6; Salaries £51.0.0.

MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR MARCH, 1929: -

	£	s	d
Balance as per last statement	4	13	2
Total sums received to end of month	284	14	6
Payments ordered on 23/3/1929	289	7	8
Net Balance due by Treasurer.....	57	16	8
	231	11	.
<u>RECONCILEMENT: -</u>			
Balance per Pass Book due by Treasurer	255	.	9
Outstanding Orders.....	23	9	9
Net Balance as above due by Treasurer	231	11	.

- 526. Ministry of Local Government and Public Health: - Noted - Letter G.24320/1929 sanctioning an increase in the salary of Kathlyn Ronaldson, Junior Assistant, of ten shillings per week (minute no. 472).
- 527. National Institute for the Deaf: - RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to purchase a copy of the Institute's Handbook of Information on the Deaf, at a cost of two shillings.
- 528. Carnegie Trust: - RESOLVED - That the committee's best thanks be tendered the Carnegie Trustees for copies of the Annual Report, and that the Secretary be instructed to request the editors of the newspapers published in the county to notice the report.

Joseph Mitchell

Leabhlarlanna Chomndae Na Gaillimhe.

County Book Repository,
Galway, 25th May, 1929.

A Chara,

A meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee will be held in the County Book Repository, Prospect Hill, Galway, on Saturday, the 1st day of June, 1929, at the hour of two o'clock p.m.

Is mise, le meas,
S. S. MAGUIRE,
Runaidhe agus Leabhlarlannaidhe.

To each member of the committee.
To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
To the Secretary to the County Council.
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Agenda:-

1. Minutes of the last meeting.
2. Minutes of a Sub-Committee Meeting.
3. Examination of books, etc.
4. Accounts.
5. Donations.
6. Correspondence.
7. Statistics.
8. General.

Minutes of the Proceedings of a Monthly Meeting held on Saturday, the 1st day of June, 1929:-

Present:-

J. Carter, N.T., E. Corbett, Co. C., J. Kelly, U.D.C., T. Kyne, B. Lydon, Co. C., G. Lynch, Co. C., U.D.C., the Very Reverend J. Canon Mitchell, M.A., the Very Reverend J.F.M. Canon Nash, M.A., J. W. Pringle.

529. Chairman:-

Resolved — That the Very Reverend J. Canon Mitchell, M.A., be Chairman of the meeting. [Subsequently the Chair was taken by the Chairman of the Committee (E. Corbett, Co. C.) on his arrival.

530. Minutes of the last meeting:-

Resolved — That the minutes of the last meeting, circularised each member, be taken as read, and that they be signed.

531. Minutes of a Sub-Committee Meeting:-

Resolved — That the following recommendations of a Sub-Committee Meeting, held on Tuesday, the 28th day of May, 1929, and present at which were: Professor John Howley, M.A., D.Litt., G. Lynch, Co. C., U.D.C., and the Very Reverend J.F.M. Canon Nash, M.A., be adopted:-

1. That the Secretary obtain estimates of the cost, from local builders, of the transfer of the shelving from the room at the end of the corridor to the Secretary's office; the estimates to be submitted to the Monthly Meeting to be held on the 1st proximo.

2. That Miss Kathleen Rowatson be granted

Annual Leave as from June 22 unto July 1st, inclusive.

3. That the Secretary press the Carnegie Trustees for a maximum building grant towards the erection of a library building.

4. That the books received on approval be accepted, and that the Secretary be authorised to purchase the following works:-

Aquinas, Saint Thomas. The Summa Theologica. 22 vols.

Noyes, A. The complete poems. 4 vols.

Collard and Crook. School management

Davis. Technique of teaching

McMurray. Elements of general methods.

Inskip. Teaching dull and retarded children.

Strayer and Norwotky. How to teach.

Jones, B.E., ed. Amateur's mechanic. 4 vols.

Scott, W.A. Handrailing for geometrical staircases.

Cassell's Book of knowledge. 8 vols.

Squire, J.B. Books reviewed.

"Solomon Eagle." Books in general. 3 vols.

5. That the Committee's best thanks be tendered the following for gifts of books and pamphlets:-

Mrs. Agnes J. Larkcom, London;
The Cambridge Public Library Committee;

The Carnegie United Kingdom Trust;

The Reverend R.W. Jallot, M.A., Loughrea;

M. J. Tighe, Esq., B.E. M. R. I. B. A.;

Co. Wicklow Library Committee.

6. That the Committee's best wishes for

a rapid recovery, be tendered the Reverend A.J. Guley, B.A., an enthusiastic and active member of the Committee.

532. Examination of Books, etc.:-

Resolved - That the Bank's Pass Book, the Receipts and Expenditure Book, and Form I, as presented, on Examination being found correct, be signed.

Monthly Financial Statements for April and May, 1929:-

	April.	May.
Balance as per last Statement. br.	£ 231 : 11 : 0;	£ 38 : 4 : 4
Sums received to end of month	—	225 : 9 : 6
	231 : 11 : 0;	£ 263 : 13 : 10
Payments ordered	193 : 6 : 8;	—
Net Balance	br. £ 38 : 4 : 4;	£ 263 : 13 : 10

Reconcilements:-

Balance per Pass Book	br. £ 39 : 14 : 4;	£ 265 : 3 : 10
Outstanding orders	1 : 10 : 0;	1 : 10 : 0
Net Balance as above	br. £ 38 : 4 : 4;	£ 263 : 13 : 10

533. Accounts:-

Resolved - That the accounts as presented, amounting to £ 144 : 19 : 4, be authorised, and that the Treasurer's Advice Note be signed:-

Books £ 89 : 5 : 5 ; Printing and Stationery £ 7 : 17 : 9 ; Heating, cleaning, etc. £ 1 : 7 : 3 ; Petty Cash and Sundries £ 3 : 0 : 0 ; Salaries £ 42 : 6 : 8 ; Transport £ 1 : 2 : 3.

534. Statistics:-

Resolved - That the Statistics, which show the highly satisfactory working of the libraries, be approved and that they be circulated:-

Book Stock 12,512 vols.; Book Stock per head of the population 0.07 vols.; Books issued to centres 32,230; Books borrowed:-

(a) From local centres	82,347
(b) From Central Library	211
(c) From University College, Galway	10
(d) From County Book Repository	<u>11,972</u>
Total Books Borrowed	94,540
Number of Registered Borrowers	11,204

Reference Department:-

Works consulted.	Number.
Directories, etc.	81
Encyclopaedias, Dictionaries, etc.	203
Others	<u>375</u>
Total	659

No. of Centres:- 141

Income:-

(a) County - at - large rate	£ 900 : 0 : 0
(b) Galway U.D.C. rate	115 : 0 : 0
(c) Carnegie Trust (Suppl. Grant)	150 : 0 : 0
(d) Other sources	<u>24 : 17 : 8</u>
Total income	£ 1189 : 17 : 8

Expenditure:-

Maintenance charges	£ 102 : 14 : 11
Transport and travelling	79 : 19 : 0
Books	350 : 1 : 5
Binding	<u>26 : 10 : 11</u>
	376 : 12 : 4
Salaries	482 : 0 : 0
Other charges	<u>45 : 16 : 7</u>
Total expenditure	£ 1087 : 2 : 10

Cost per head of the population 1.54d.

535. Erection of Shelving:-

The following estimates for the taking down and re-erecting shelving were received:-

J. Emerson, Galway	£ 2 : 10 : 0
P. Griffin, Galway	2 : 0 : 0

Resolved - That the lower estimate, i.e. of P. Griffin be accepted and that the Secretary be authorised to have the work carried out.

536. Presentation Copy of Work offered:-

Resolved - That the offer by Mr. E. G. Jellicoe, Gray's Inn, London, of his work "Playing the Game" be accepted with thanks.

(Minutes nos. 529 to 536 inclusive).

27th July, 1929.

S. O'Connell
(Chairman)

LEABHLARLANNA CHONNDAE NA GAILLI

(County Galway Libraries).

24th June, 1929.

A C hara,

A Financial Committee Meeting will be held on Saturday, the 29th day of June, 1929, in the County Book Repository, Galway, at the hour of eleven o'clock a.m.

Is mise, le meas mor,

S. S. Maguire
Runaidhe agus Leabhlarlannaidhe.

To each member.

Leabhlarlanna Chonndae Na Gaillimhe.

County Book Repository,
Galway, 1st July, 1929.

A Chara,

I append herewith a copy of the Minutes of the Proceedings of a Financial Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee held on Saturday, the 29th day of June, 1929.

Is mise, le meas mor,

Runaidhe agus Leabhlarlannaidhe.

To each member of the committee.
To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.

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MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS of a Financial Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee held on Saturday, the 29th day of July, 1929.

Present:-

J.J. Burke, the Reverend A.J. Gailey, B.A., J. Lee, U.D.C., the Very Reverend J. Canon Mitchell, M.A., the Very Reverend J.F.M. Canon Nash, M.A., J.W. Ronaldson, Co.C.

537. Chairman of Meeting:-

RESOLVED - That Councillor J.W. Ronaldson be Chairman of the meeting.

538. Finance and Accounts.

The Secretary submitted the Bank Pass Book, the Receipts and Expenditure Book, Form 1, and Accounts for examination.

RESOLVED - That the following accounts, as submitted, amounting to £100 . 0 . 5, be authorised and that the Treasurer's Advice Note be signed:-

Books.....	£ 48	.	8	.	6
Advertising, stationery, etc.....	10	.	5	.	3
Heating, cleaning, etc.....	1	.	5	.	.
Transport and Travelling.....	1	.	9	.	.
Petty Cash.....	2	.	5	.	.
Salaries.....	42	.	6	.	8

(Minutes nos. 537 and 538).

27th July, 1929.

S. O'Connell
(Cairdeán leac)

Leabharlanna Connóae na Gaillimhe
(COUNTY GALWAY LIBRARIES).

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

S. J. MAGUIRE,
Secretary and County Librarian.

20th July, 1929.

A Chars.

The Annual Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee will be held in the County Library Headquarters, Prospect Hill, Galway, on Saturday, the 27th day of July, 1929, at the hour of two o'clock, p.m.

Is mise, le meas,

S. S. Maguire
Runaidhe agus Leabharlannaidhe.

To each member of the Committee.
To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
To the Secretary to the County Council.
To the Town Clerk, Galway.
To the Treasurer.
To the Editors of newspapers published in the county.

A G E N D A:-

1. Election of Chairman.
2. Election of Vice-Chairman.
3. Election of Sub-Committee.
4. Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
5. Minutes of a Financial Meeting of the 29th ultimo.
6. Examination of Books, etc.
7. Accounts.
8. Donations.
9. Correspondence.
10. Library Association Conference.
11. General.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS of the Proceedings of an Annual Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee held on Saturday, the 27th day of July, 1929.

The proceedings began at 2.22 o'clock, p.m.

Present:-

The Reverend A.J. Gailey, B.A., F.Kelly, U.D.C., G.Lynch, Co.C., U.D.C., the Very Reverend J.F.M. Canon Nash, M.A., the Reverend J.O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L., J.M. Pringle, and Captain T. Tierney.

539. Election of Chairman:-

It was proposed by J.M. Pringle, seconded by Urban Councillor F.Kelly and

RESOLVED - That Professor John Howley, M.A., D.Litt., be elected Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

540. Election of Vice-Chairman:-

It was proposed by the Very Reverend J.F.M. Canon Nash, seconded by the Reverend A.J. Gailey, and

RESOLVED - That the Reverend J.O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L., be elected Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

541. Election of Sub-Committee:-

RESOLVED - That the following members constitute the Sub-Committee in accordance with the terms of Minute no. 461:- Eamonn Corbett, Co.C., the Reverend A.J. Gailey, B.A., Professor J. Howley, M.A., D.Litt., the Very Reverend T.J. Monsignore Joyce, F.Kelly, U.D.C., G.Lynch, Co.C., U.D.C., the Very Reverend J.F.M. Canon Nash, M.A., the Reverend J.O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L., Captain T. Tierney, the Very Reverend J. Canon Walsh, M.A., B.D.

542. Minutes of the last meeting:-

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the last meeting, circulated each member, be taken as read, and that they be signed.

543. Minutes of a Financial Meeting:-

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of a Financial Meeting of the 29th ultimo, circularised each member, be taken as read, and that they be signed.

544. Donations:-

RESOLVED - That the committee's best thanks be tendered the following for gifts of Reports:- The Kent Education Committee, the Monaghan County Library Committee, and the Cork County Library Committee.

545. Letters of Appreciation:-

RESOLVED - That the committee's best thanks be tendered the Reverend Brothers McCusker and Cowan of the Order of St. Francis, for letters of appreciation for books and information supplied to individuals and schools of the Order.

546. Library Association

NOTED - The recognition of the University College, Galway, as an Examination Centre for the December Examinations of the Library Association.

547. Association of Special Libraries and Information Bureaux:-

NOTED - Syllabus and details of the Association's Annual Conference.

548. Posters in Irish:-

RESOLVED - That the subject of Posters in Irish be referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration.

549. Library Association Conference:-

It was proposed by the Reverend J.O'Dea, seconded by the Very Reverend Canon Nash, and
 RESOLVED - That, subject to the sanction of the Ministry of Local Government and Public Health, Professor John Howley and the Secretary be appointed to attend the Library Association Conference at Brighton (from the 9th until the 14th September, 1929); and that the sum of £12 (twelve pounds) be allotted to each as expenses.

550. Examination of Financial Books, etc.:-

RESOLVED - That the Bank Pass Book, the Receipts and Expenditure Book, and the Financial Statement up to the 27th July, 1929, on examination being found correct, be signed.

Financial Statement to the 27th July, 1929:-

Balance as per last Statement.....	£ 119	2	3
Sums received.....	30	.	.
	149	2	3
Payments ordered at last Financial Meeting.....	100	.	5
Net Balance due by Treasurer.....	49	1	10

551. Accounts:-

RESOLVED - That the following accounts, as presented, amounting to £49 11 0, on examination being found correct, be authorised, and that the Treasurer's Advice Note be signed:-
 Books, £20.19.0; Heating and Repairs, £23.5.0; Transport, £1.2.10; Petty Cash, £1.17.6; Salaries, £42.6.8.

552. Closing of Headquarters:-

RESOLVED - That the County Headquarters be closed during the Galway Races (July 31st and August 1st).

553. Outstanding Paying Order no.498:-

Mr.W.G.Neale, 103 South Street, Eastbourne, having stated that Paying Order no.498 for the sum of £1.10.0 issued to him had not been received, it was
 RESOLVED - That the Secretary be authorised to issue a duplicate order.

554. County Council's Auction of Books:-

It was proposed by the Reverend J.O'Dea, seconded by the Reverend A.J.Gailey, and
 RESOLVED - That the Secretary be authorised to attend the Sheriff's sale of books and to make any necessary purchases.

555. Printing of the Annual Report:-

RESOLVED - That the subject of printing the Annual Report be referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration.

556. A Set of the "Irish Naturalist":-

RESOLVED - That the question of purchasing a set of the "Irish Naturalist" (published by the Royal Irish Academy) be referred to the Sub-Committee.

557. Encyclopaedia Britannica (14th edition):-

NOTED - Special Library terms offered by the Encyclopaedia Britannica Co. for the 14th edition of the work.

558. New Books suggested for purchase:-

RESOLVED - That the list of new books suggested for purchase submitted by the Secretary be referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration.

559. Note of thanks from a member:-

Noted - A letter thanking the members of the Committee for resolution no. 531(6), from the Reverend A.J.Gailey, B.A.

(Minutes nos. 539 to 559 inclusive).

John Anely
 28/9/29

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(COUNTY GALWAY LIBRARIES).

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

S. J. MAGUIRE,
Secretary and County Librarian.

31st July, 1929.

A Chara,

I hereby summon you to a SPECIAL MEETING to be held on Saturday next, the 3rd day of August, 1929, to consider the appended letter.

Is mise, le meas mor,

S. S. Maguire
Runaidhe agus Leabharlannaidhe.

To each member of the committee.
To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.

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Killeencan, Craughwell,
Co. Galway.
27th July, 1929.

The Secretary,
County Libraries Committee.

A Chara,

As I consider the Annual Meeting held to-day to be irregular on the grounds that meetings of subsidiary bodies must not clash with meetings of the County Council or its Finance Committee, I, therefore, request that you call a meeting of the County Libraries Committee for Saturday next, 3rd August.

Is mise, le meas,

(Signed)

Ramonn Na Corbain.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS of a SPECIAL MEETING of the County Galway Libraries Committee held on Saturday, the 3rd day of August, 1929, at the hour of two o'clock, p.m.

Present:-

E. Corbett, Co.C., (Chairman of the County Council), F. Kelly, U.D.C.; the Reverend A. J. Gailey, B.A., J. Hosty, Professor John Howley, M.A., D.Litt., the Reverend Brother Jarlath, O.S.F., B. Lydon, Co.C., G. Lynch, Co.C., U.D.C., T. J. Morrissey, N.T., the Very Reverend J. F. M. Canon Nash, M.A., the Reverend J. O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L. J. M. Pringle, Captain T. Tierney.

560. Procedure:-

The Proceedings of the Annual Meeting having been challenged, the Secretary pointed out that the solution of the problem was for the members present to resolve themselves into a sub-committee meeting, elect a Chairman of the meeting and discuss Councillor Corbett's requisition.

It was proposed by the Reverend J. O'Dea, seconded by the Very Reverend Canon Nash, and
RESOLVED - That the members present form a sub-committee meeting.

561. Chairman of the meeting:-

It was proposed by Councillor Lynch, seconded by the Reverend A. J. Gailey, and
RESOLVED - That Urban Councillor Kelly be Chairman of the meeting.

562. Legal Opinion:-

It was proposed by the Reverend Brother Jarlath, seconded by J. M. Pringle, and
RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to obtain the opinion of the County Solicitor as to the legality of the Annual Meeting.

(Minutes nos. 560 to 562 inclusive).

28/9/29

John Howley

24th August, 1929.

A Chara,

A FINANCIAL MEETING of the County Galway Libraries Committee will be held in the Librarian's Office, County Buildings, Prospect Hill, Galway, on Saturday, the 31st day of August, 1929, at the hour of eleven o'clock, a.m., sharp.

Business:-

Consideration of Accounts.

Is mise, le meas mór,

S. S. Maguire,

Runaidhe agus Leabharlannaidhe.

To each member of the committee.
To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
To the Treasurer.

Leabharlanna Connóga na Gaillimne
(COUNTY GALWAY LIBRARIES).

County Buildings,
Prospect Hill,
Galway.

S. J. MAGUIRE,
Secretary and County Librarian.

MINUTES OF A FINANCIAL MEETING held on Saturday, 31st day of August, 1929.

Present:-

J. J. Burke, M. J. Cooke, Co. C., U. D. C., Professor John Howley, MA., D. Litt., G. Lynch, Co. C., U. D. C., T. C. McDonagh, U. D. C., the Very Reverend J. F. M. Canon Nash, M. A., the Reverend J. O'Dea, B. A., B. C. L., Captain T. Tierney.

563. Accounts:-

RESOLVED - That the following accounts to the amount of £76 12 8 be authorised, and that the Treasurer's Advice Note be Signed:- Books, £3.3.0; Cleaning, £1 5 0; Transport and Travelling, £24 18 0; P/C Imprest, £5 0 0; Salaries, £42 6 8.

28/9/29

John Howley

21st September, 1929.

A Chara,

A MONTHLY MEETING of the County Galway Libraries Committee will be held in the County Book Repository, on Saturday, the 28th day of September, 1929, at the hour of two O'clock, p.m.

Is mise, le meas,

S. S. Maguire, *S. S. Maguire*

Runaidhe agus Leabharlannaidhe.

- To each member of the committee.
- To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
- To the Secretary to the County Council.
- To the Town Clerk, Galway.
- To the Treasurer.
- To the Editors of newspapers published in the county.

AGENDA:-

1. Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. Minutes of a Financial Meeting.
3. Finance and Accounts.
4. Minute no. 562:- Report.
5. Resignation of Henry Shee, Library Assistant.
6. Recommendations of the Sub-Committee.
7. Minute no. 549:- Report.
8. Correspondence.
9. General.

MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS of a Monthly Meeting of the County Galway Libraries Committee held on Saturday, the 28th day of September, 1929.

Present:-

G. Bartley, Co.C., J.J. Burke, M.J. Cooke, Co.C., U.D.C., M. Finnerty, Co.C., the Reverend A.J. Gailey, B.A., J. Hosty, Professor John Howley, M.A., D.Litt., the Reverend Professor J. Hynes, M.A., B.D., the Reverend Brother Jarlath, O.S.F., M.A., P. Kelly, Co.C., T. Kyne, J. Lee, U.D.C., J.J. Leonard, B. Lydon, Co.C., G. Lynch, Co.C., U.D.C., J. Moranoy, N.T., the Very Reverend J.F.M. Canon Nash, M.A., the Reverend J.O'Dea, B.A., B.C.L., J.M. Pringle, and the Very Reverend J. Canon Walsh, M.A., B.D.

Apologies:-

U.D. Councillor T.C. McDonagh and Captain T. Tierney tendered apologies for inability to attend.

CHAIRMAN:-

Professor John Howley.

564. Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting:-

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting, circulated each member, be taken as read, and that they be signed.

565. Minutes of a Financial Meeting:-

RESOLVED - That the Minutes of a Financial Meeting held on the 31st day of August, circulated each member, be taken as read, and that they be signed.

566. Finance and Accounts:-

RESOLVED - That the Bank Pass Book, the Receipts and Expenditure Book and form 1, on examination being found correct, be signed, and that the accounts, amounting to £149 7 9, as presented, be authorised, and that the Treasurer's Advice Note be signed.

Financial Statement for period ended 27/9/29:-

Balance 1/9/29.....Cr.	£	1	2	1
Sums received during period.....		225	0	0
		<u>225</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
Treasurer's correctyng error in Pass Book				6
			<u>2</u>	<u>7</u>
Payments ordered 31/8/29.....		76	12	8
Balance on the 27/9/29..... Cr.		<u>149</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>11</u>
Balance per Pass Book 27/9/29.....		<u>149</u>	<u>9</u>	<u>11</u>

Accounts:-

Books, £91.14.6; Rebinding, Stationery, etc. £2.4.6; Theatre Rent for lectures, cleaning, repairs, etc. £7.5.0; Transport, £1.15.5; Potty Cash Imprest and Fire Insurance, £4.1.8; Salaries, £42.6.8.

567. Travelling Charges:-

RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to obtain from hirers of motor-cars quotations of standard charges per mile.

568. Minute no. 562 - Legal Opinion:-

NOTED - Opinion of the County Solicitor apropos the legality of the Annual Meeting.

569. Resignation of Henry Shee, Library Assistant:-

RESOLVED - That the resignation of Henry Shee, Library Assistant, be accepted with regret.

570. Publicity Posters:-

The Sub-Committee recommended that the Publicity Posters be in Irish and English and that quotations for the printing of the posters be invited from local printers.

RESOLVED - That the Sub-Committee's recommendation be approved.

571. Annual Report:-

The Sub-Committee recommended that the Annual Report be printed, and that quotations for printing be invited from local and other firms.

RESOLVED - That the Sub-Committee's recommendation be approved.

572. The "Irish Naturalist":-

The Sub-Committee recommended the purchase of a set of the "Irish Naturalist", published by the Royal Irish Academy.

RESOLVED - That the Sub-Committee's recommendation be approved.

573. Vacancy caused by the Resignation of Henry Shee:-

The Sub-Committee recommended the appointment of a Library Clerk on the following conditions:-

1. That the appointment of a Library Clerk be made by open competitive examination.
2. Age Limit:- 18 to 25 years.
3. Standard of Examination:- Senior Leaving Certificate.
4. Subjects of examination:- Irish(oral and written); English(grammar, essay and general information); Mathematics; Accountancy; Shorthand and typewriting; Optional:- a classical or modern foreign language.
5. Salary:- thirty shillings per week and after six months, if satisfactory, 40/- per week.
6. Examiner suggested:- Liam O Buachalla, B.Comm., H.Dip.in Ed.; U.C.Galway, at a fee of ten guineas.
7. Supervisor of Examination:- It was suggested that the Ministry of Local Government and Public Health be asked to make the necessary arrangements for the supervising of the examination. It was proposed by County Councillor Kelly, seconded by J.J. Burke, and

RESOLVED - That a clerk be appointed by open competitive examination; and that the examination be confined to candidates born, or domiciled for the past ten years, in the county Galway; Age Limit:- 17 to 30 years; Standard of Examination:- Senior Leaving Certificate; Subjects and marks:-

Essential Subjects.	Marks.
Irish(oral and written)	60
English(grammar, essay and general information)	50
Mathematics	50
Accountancy	50
Shorthand and typewriting	30
Optional Subject.	
Classical or Modern Foreign Language	25

Qualifying Standard:- 40% in each subject(essential). Salary:- Thirty shillings per week, and after six months, if satisfactory, forty shillings per week;

Advertising Examination:- The advertisement of the examination to be drawn up by the Sub-Committee assisted by the Secretary, and that one notice be inserted in the "Irish Independent" and the "Irish Times", and two notices be inserted in the "Connacht Tribune" and the "Galway Observer";

Examiner:- Liam o Buachalla, B.Comm., H.Dip.Ed., University College, Galway, to be asked to conduct the examination at a fee of tenguineas;

Supervision of the Examination:- The Ministry to be asked to make arrangements for the supervising of the examination.

574. Books Recommended for Purchase:-

The Sub-Committee recommended the purchase of the following books:- Vane, Sir F.F. Agin' the Governments: memoirs and

and adventures. (Sampson Low). 16/-

The Air Annual, 1929. 21/-

and that particulars of the price, etc., of the following work be obtained before recommending its purchase:-

St. Thomas Aquinas. Summa Contra Gentiles. (Globe Pub.Co.).

RESOLVED - That the recommendation of the Sub-Committee be approved.

575. Ministry of Local Government and Public Health:-

NOTED - Letter G.56327/1929 sanctioning Minute no. 549.

576. New Member of the Committee:-

Noted - Intimation from the Secretary to the County Council of Mr. Martin Quinn, Newtown, Woodlawn, a co-opted County Councillor, as a member of the Committee.

577. Donations:-

The Secretary reported the receipt of the following donations:- (a) Annual Reports from the County Libraries of Notts., Durham, Devon, Banff and Fife;

- (b) Wolverhampton Development Association:- a copy of the Guide to Wolverhampton;
- (c) Irish Tourist Association:- three copies of the Book of Dublin;
- (c) The Sunlight League, London:- a copy of Sunlight and Health.

RESOLVED - That the Committee's best thanks be tendered the donors.

578. Statistics:-

The Secretary submitted the following statistics(as requested by the Sub-Committee) of the issues up to, and excluding, the 25th September, 1929:-

Books Issued Direct from County Headquarters:- Aug. and Sept.

Classification.	For Home Reading.	Reference.	Total
General Works	3	9	12
Philosophy	2	5	7
Religion	3	12	15
Social Science		16	16
Language	4	13	17
Natural Science	4	6	10
Useful Arts	13	14	27
Fine Arts	10	7	17
Literature	35	63	98
History, Geography, Travel and Biography	64	105	169
Prose Fiction	513	11	524
Juvenile Fiction	33		33
Total	684	261	945

Issues at Local Centres as per completed Registers to date 40,895

Total Issues 41,841

Dispatches of books to Local Centres.....7,411 vols.

RESOLVED - That the Statistics be regarded as very satisfactory.

579. Summary of Report of the Chairman and the Secretary on their attendance at the Library Association Conference at Brighton:-

University and Research Council:-

Your Chairman was elected a member of the University and Research Council.

County Library Building Grants:-

The result of the interview with Mr. Thomas Gorrie(Convenor of the Trust's Committee) and the officials of the Trust relative to a Building Grant for Galway was

That your Secretary and Mr. A. S. Roy, County Librarian of Antrim, have been instructed to prepare a joint-report on the necessity of County Library Buildings in An Saorstát and Northern Ireland. For this purpose your Secretary and Mr. Roy called a meeting of the Irish Representatives at Brighton at which your Chairman presided to discuss the matter. It was decided to enlist the aid of the Irish Library Association and the Northern Library Association in the preparation of the report for submission to the Carnegie Trustees in November.

Playing Fields Grant:— The subject of a grant from the Trust for the development of South Park as a playing field for the youth of Galway was also discussed with the Trust's representatives. It was made clear to us that owing to some legal difficulties and the absence of an organisation analogous to the National Playing Fields Association, the Trustees cannot, pending a report on the subject from the Government of An Saorstát, make any immediate grants to Ireland under this head.

Net Books Agreement:— Your representatives voted in favour of the Net Books Agreement (subject to your approval and the sanction of the Ministry) entered into between the Library Association on the one hand, and the Publishers' and Booksellers' Associations on the other.

A copy of the agreement is in course of preparation and will be supplied each member before the next meeting.

RESOLVED - That the Committee's congratulations be tendered the Chairman on his election to the University and Research Council; and

That the report of the Chairman and the Secretary be approved.

580. Bonus Recommended:—

RESOLVED - That the Secretary be instructed to request the Ministry to sanction a bonus to Miss K. Ronaldson, in view of the extra work and duties devolving on her (requiring her attention on occasions until a comparatively late hour) through the resignation of Henry Shee.

(Minutes nos. 564 to 580 inclusive).

John Hussey
19/10/29

14th October, 1929.

A Chara,

A MONTHLY MEETING of the County Galway Libraries Committee will be held on Saturday, the 19th day of October, 1929, in the County Book Repository, Prospect Hill, Galway, at the hour of two o'clock, p.m., when the following business will be dealt with:—

1. The Minutes of the last meeting.
2. Finance and Accounts.
3. Report of the Sub-Committee.
4. The Net Books Agreement.
5. Minute no. 573:— Letter from the Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
6. Minute no. 580:— Letter from the Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
7. Quotations.
8. General.

Is mise, le meas,

S. S. Maguire, S.R.

Runaidhe agus Leabharlannaidhe.

To each member of the Committee.
To the Secretary, Ministry of Local Government and Public Health.
To the Secretary to the County Council.
To the Town Clerk, Galway.
To the Editors, Connacht Tribune, Galway Observer, Tuam Herald, and the Galway Democrat.

NET BOOKS

Material for an Agreement.The Library Book Agent.

We recommend that the Publishers' Association enter into an Agreement with the Library Association to recognise, on conditions set forth below, certain Institutional members thereof, viz., public libraries and other libraries which undertake that access be granted to the public free of charge and which may be considered to come appropriately within the intention of para. 1 of the license as printed on p. 2 of the Scheme as LIBRARY BOOK AGENTS entitled under licence from the Publishers' Association to receive from a named bookseller or booksellers (but if so at his/their own expense) a COMMISSION as follows:-

1. Where the aggregate value of all the new books purchased from the named booksellers by the said library in its financial year is from £100 to £500 a commission not exceeding 5 per cent. on the value of such purchases.
2. Where the aggregate value of all the new books purchased from the named bookseller/s by the said library in its financial year is of £500 and upwards, a commission not exceeding 10 per cent. of the value of such purchases.
3. No commission shall be payable on any books on which the bookseller does not receive a discount of greater than 2d in the ls. plus 5 per cent., nor on any books not published in the United Kingdom.

The conditions which we consider should form part of the Agreement with the Library Association are as follows:-

1. All purchases under licence shall be solely for the use of the library enjoying the licence.
2. The libraries licensed shall undertake to furnish the Library Association annually with particulars of their expenditure on new books, and the Library Association shall transmit these figures periodically to the Publishers' Association.
3. In exceptional circumstances each library licensed shall, if called upon to do so by the Joint Advisory Committee, either, on its own behalf or on behalf of the Publishers' Association, undertake to give direct to the Committee this information concerning its own expenditure. Each library shall also furnish proof if required, that the terms of the licence are being properly observed, such information and proof being vouched for by an accountant if so desired.
4. Subject to the agreed commission no consideration in cash (other than the purchase price) or in kind shall pass between the library, the local authority, or any of its officials or employees and the named bookseller/s, it being agreed that supplementary services, such as stamping, card-indexing, reinforced bindings, the supply of non-net books, etc., shall not be regarded as a "consideration" provided that they are charged and paid for at not less than the full actual cost to the bookseller/s of the work done, or of the non-net books supplied.
5. Each licence issued shall be revocable at any time by the Publishers' Association upon reason given; but unless revoked on account of what the Publishers' Association or the Joint Advisory Committee considers to be a breach of its conditions, three months previous notice shall be given.
6. The library shall have the right to add to or to change its bookseller/s at any time, but no change shall take effect in regard to trading under the licence until the licence itself has been endorsed by the Publishers' Association and particulars of the change noted thereon, and notified to those concerned; such endorsement shall not be unreasonably withheld.

7. THE LIBRARY ASSOCIATION, as a condition of the Publishers' Association entering into this Agreement, conferring benefits on certain of their institutional members, shall undertake to assist the Publishers' Association in seeing that the various libraries licensed are honourably observing the terms of their licence by:-

- (a) Helping to check the amount or the total purchase of new books and the commission paid thereon (and, if necessary, to secure an accountant's certificate).
- (b) Helping to check abuses of licences by the acceptance of any consideration in cash or in kind or by the supplementary services (such as reinforcing, stamping, etc.) being charged and paid for at less than the full actual cost thereof. The Library Association shall undertake also to ask its members as far as possible to encourage their local booksellers by appointing them the bookseller/s with whom they will deal under the licence, and also to give preference to booksellers who are members of the Associated Booksellers of Great Britain and Ireland.

8. All licences to public libraries and other institutional members of the Library Association, as approved by the Joint Advisory Committee, will be granted upon the understanding that the amount saved upon the purchase of books shall be expended upon the purchase of additional books.

(N.B. It is understood that these additional new books are not to be subject to commission and that accounts shall be paid as promptly as possible).

9. No public library not in institutional membership of the Library Association shall be accorded the benefits of this scheme, unless and until its application has been considered and approved by the Joint Advisory Committee.

10. For the purpose of this Agreement it is understood that wherever the Joint Advisory Committee is mentioned it will include two representatives of the Library Association equivalent in number to those appointed by the Publishers' Association and by the Associated Booksellers respectively, nominated by the Library Association and co-opted by the Joint Advisory Committee.

11. For the purpose of this Agreement the word "access" shall be understood to mean (1) that the ordinary books in the libraries of the institutions concerned shall not be restricted to the use of the students or members of such institutional libraries, but (2) that, under proper safeguards, and throughout the usual hours of such libraries, they shall be available, without charge, for public use within the library building. Satisfactory references or recommendations shall, where required, be submitted by strangers (as in the case of the British Museum), and discretionary power shall be vested in each library authority to withhold special works from general use, and to refuse to issue books to undesirable persons; but the free use of the books shall not be unreasonably withheld.