

**Minutes of the Meeting
of the Irish Mathematical Society**

Ordinary Meeting
4th September 2001

The Irish Mathematical Society held an Ordinary Meeting from 5.30 to 6.05 p.m. on Tuesday 4th September 2001 in the University of Limerick.

There were 16 members present and five apologies were received.

1. Minutes

The minutes of the meeting of December 2000 were approved and signed after two minor corrections had been made.

2. Matters Arising

All matters arising were discussed under the headings below.

3. Correspondence and New Members

R. Higgs read out the correspondence the Society has received since December, this included letters of acceptance from Professor Terry Wall, Professor James Eells and Professor John Wermer for honorary membership.

The following are new members of the Irish Mathematical Society:

Dr Lorenz Halbeisen, (Queen's University Belfast);
Ms Noreen Quinn, (student member, Dublin City University);
Ms Aine Healy, (Waterford Institute of Technology);
Dr Eimear Byrne, (National University of Ireland, Cork);
Mr Paul Wilson, (National University of Ireland, Galway);
Mr Seamus Quinn, (student member).

4. The Bulletin

There is enough material for the next two issues. It is also likely that a special issue will be produced containing six articles from the recently held *All Ireland Algebra Days 2001*.

5. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer presented his final report for 2000 and his accounts were formally approved. The Committee presented its suggestions for next years membership fees, which involved allowing those already using standing orders to carry on at the existing subscription

rate. This suggestion was amended (see below), Rex Dark then proposed and Mark Burke seconded the following two proposals (the first including the suggested amendment):

1. The Ordinary Members fee will be 20 euro per annum from 1st January 2002 for Ordinary Members who do not have a standing order for £15 per annum in place as of 31st December 2001. Members with such a standing order should be encouraged to change it to 20 euro per annum from 1st January 2002.
2. The Student Members fee and IMTA Reciprocity Members fee will be 10 euro per annum from 1st January 2002.

The first proposal was carried by five votes for with one against and the second was passed nem con.

It was noted that at present there are only two IMTA Reciprocity Members. IMS members should be encouraged to join the IMTA and vice versa. The Secretary is to contact the IMTA to invite them to submit an article to the Bulletin explaining their role and activities.

7. Future conferences and meetings

The September conference and meeting in 2002 are to be held in NUI, Cork.

The timing of our September conferences was also discussed, however no better suggestion for a date was forthcoming.

8. Any Other Business

Three members submitted a letter formally proposing an applied mathematician for honorary membership (name withheld at present).

The change in constitution detailed in the Summer 2001 issue of the Bulletin will be voted upon in December.

9. Irish Mathematical Society Meetings

The next meeting of the IMS (its Annual General Meeting) will be held in December at the Dublin Institute of Advanced Studies.

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