

**MINUTES OF THE
ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL
OF
SCOUTING IRELAND 2012**

1. **Date:** Saturday 31st March 2012

2. **Venue:** Red Cow Hotel, Dublin

3. Attendance

- Michael John Shinnick - Chief Scout
- Ian Davy - Chief Commissioner (Youth Programme)
- John Brennan - Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources)
- Michael Devins - National Secretary
- Francis Minogue - National Treasurer
- Fr. Dave Kenneally – Chair, National Spiritual Religious Advisory Panel
- All other attendees as listed in the Attendances' Register

4. Agenda

10.00

- Opening Thought
- Opening Address of the Chief Scout
- Address by Guest Speaker
- Meeting Procedures and Appointment of Tellers
- Approval of the minutes of National Council 2011
- Adoption of the Annual Report
- Adoption of the Audited Accounts and Financial Report of Scouting Ireland
- Appointment of Auditors
- Endorsement of the Annual Report of The Scout Foundation
- Election of Honorary Vice-Presidents
- Matters referred by the National Management Committee
- Motions received by the National Secretary

10.30–11.00

Voting for positions on the National Management Committee

13.00

Meeting adjourned for Lunch

14.00

Resumption of National Council

16.00

Election Results

16.30

Closing address by the Chief Scout.

5. Documents of the Meeting

- Agenda [Circulated in advance]
- Registration Procedures [Circulated in advance]
- Voting Procedures [Circulated in advance]
- Deputy Group Leader Authorisation Form [Circulated in advance]
- List of Candidates and Nominees [Circulated in advance]
- Submissions to National Council [Circulated in advance]

- Audited Accounts of Scouting Ireland [Circulated in advance]
- The Annual Report of the Scout Foundation [Circulated in advance]

6. Opening Thoughts and Addresses

The Chief Scout welcomed Pat Rabbitte TD, Minister for Communication and all delegates.

National Council noted a visual presentation of Annual Report 2011

Address from Minister Pat Rabbitte TD

“I’m genuinely delighted to be here this morning and on behalf of the government to say thank you to each of you and your colleagues for giving of your time so generously to our young people, as our country needs now. Thank you for over 100 years of service.

Since the formation of the new Scouting Ireland in 2004, I’m told by the Chief Scout, your numbers have grown to be the largest on the island. I think this isn’t widely known and Scouting Ireland needs to assert itself as an authentic voice for young people. Such organisations should have a higher profile in the youth work world. This may be partly due to the somewhat outdated image of bob-a-job and old men in short trousers. I can see that the short trousers are gone, although I have seen Dermot Lacey around the office in shorts. For child protection reasons bob-a-job is gone, but the spirit of service remains.

What is Scouting today? What makes it different, what made thousands join over the years? The principles, the fun and friendship, the challenge since 1907, have managed to ensure Scouting remains the largest voluntary youth movement in the world. My own criticism might be that you do not tell that story loudly enough. Young People do their best when they are rewarded for achieving their best.

Minister Quinn recently launched a SUAS initiative, comparable to ONE Programme. There is nothing politicians love more than a one programme.

Scouting is to the enormous benefit of the young people with whom you engage. The approaching JamOige and Stradbally could tie in the government initiative of The Gathering. I wish you every success for the coming year and your deliberations today.

Thank you for your invitation. Your welcome represents the strong Spirit of Scouting.”

The Chief Scout Michael John Shinnick presented Minister Rabbitte with a thank you gift.

7. Appointment of Tellers

The National Secretary introduced the voting tellers for appointment.

Chief Tellers

- Alan Palmer
- Bill James
- Brendan McNicholas

- Donal McCarthy
- Mark O'Callaghan

Tellers

- Craig O'Toole
- Dave McCartney
- Emmet Dunne
- Alan Glennon
- Conor McLoughlin
- Matthew Reddington
- Garrett Wallace
- Ciara Brown
- Sean Malone
- Rachael Coleman
- Lucy Gibson
- Katie Kiely
- Denise O'Sullivan
- Emma Buggy
- Conor Maddock
- Milo Smith
- PJ Comerford
- David Somerville
- Annraoi Campbell
- Ellen Thomas
- Aisling Coyne
- Cian GIBLIN
- Laoise Keane
- Kevin Harkin
- Ross Fitzpatrick

8. Standing Orders

The proposed standing orders were adopted for National Council 2012

9. Minutes

The minutes of National Council 2011 were approved following a show of hands by the delegates.

10. Apologies

Apologies were noted from Martin Burbridge (Honorary Vice President)

11. Condolences

The Chief Scout remembered the recent passing of former Chief Scout, Peter Dixon and commented on the great contribution to Scouting that he and other Scouters who have passed away have made through the years.

12. Annual Report

The Annual Report was presented by the National Secretary, following a show of hands by the delegates, the Annual Report was approved.

13. Audited Accounts and Financial Report of Scouting Ireland

The Audited Accounts and Financial Report of Scouting Ireland for the year 2011 were adopted as proposed by the National Treasurer. The National Treasurer gave a brief analyses of the Association's Income and Expenditure Balance Sheet from 1st October 2010 – 30th September 2011.

14. Appointment of Auditors

The Firm of Price Waterhouse Coopers Ireland Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors was appointed as Auditors for Scouting Ireland.

15. Annual Report of the Scout Foundation

Chief Scout Statement on Trust Motions

I wish to speak to you regarding the motions on our agenda relevant to our relationship with our Trust Companies.

Scouting Ireland has an interest in a set of 3 Trust companies some inherited from our founding organisations and some set up since the establishment of Scouting Ireland. These Trusts are in the main tasked with carefully protecting the property assets of the Association in the best interest of Scouting. Because of historical circumstances, the constitution and rules of Scouting Ireland contain inconsistencies and anomalies in the relationship of the Association to these Trusts. These motions were placed on the agenda by the NMC to seek to codify and regularise the relationship that Scouting Ireland has with these Trusts and to ensure that there is transparency and good governance in relation to them. The issues involved are highly sensitive and vital to ensure good governance, accountability and transparency to the members of our Association.

The National Management Committee placed this set of motions on the agenda of National Council to commence the process of regularising this situation.

I can advise National Council that the Directors of the Trust Companies have written to the National Management Committee and asked that they would be given a role in helping to prepare proposals to resolve these issues. The National Management Committee sees the regularisation of the relationship with the Trusts as a matter of high priority and urgency for the Association and is determined that at the earliest possible opportunity, proposals be

brought to National Council. Nevertheless the NMC see great merit in having the Directors of the Trust Companies working with the NMC to build an optimal solution.

For this reason the NMC is prepared to withdraw its motions that refer to the relationship of Scouting Ireland to the Trusts and to work with the Trust Directors to prepare proposals over the coming months that can be placed before our next National Council. The Memorandum and Articles of each of the Trust Companies will also be updated as part of this process; to ensure consistency with the Constitution and Rules of our Association.

I wish to place on record my thanks on behalf of Scouting Ireland to those who have worked for this cooperation in finding a best way forward in a highly sensitive area. In particular I would like to thank our National Treasurer for his tireless work in pursuing a proper arrangement with our Trusts on behalf of our members and Groups.

I would therefore wish to advise you that the NMC withdraws: NM1, NM2, NM3 and NM4; R1, R3, R12, R13, R19 and R21

16. Election of Honorary Vice-Presidents

The election of Honorary Vice-Presidents of Scouting Ireland was approved as follows: -

- Eoghan Lavelle
- Kenneth Ramsey
- Paul Ring
- Donald Harvey
- Martin Burbridge

17. Election of Honorary Members

The election of the following as Honorary Member of Scouting Ireland was approved.

- Howard Kilroy

18. Introduction to the National Youth Forum

The Chief Commissioner (Youth Programme) introduced the newly elected members of the National Youth Forum and the Chief Scout presented neckerchiefs to:

Scouts:

- Kayleigh Malone
- Padraic Malone
- Mark Robinson
- Conan Smith
- Richard Murray
- Aoife Fricker
- Andrew McKnight
- Sinead Callanan

- Donal Watson

Venture Scouts:

- Patrick McDonald
- Ciara Keegan
- Ali maher
- Jason Dinnees
- Emma Purser
- Tom Treacy
- Alex Huddlestan

Rover Scouts:

- Jack Denning
- Aiden O'Brien
- Steven Linehan
- Tom Doherty
- Marie Fitzgerald
- Gearoid Nash
- Andrew Garrad

19. 23rd World Scout Jamboree – Japan 2015

Stephen Carey was announced as Head of Contingent and Ann Foley, International Commissioner, presented him with the newly adopted International Neckerchief.

20. Adult Awards

The Chief Scout, Michael John Shinnick presented Scouting Irelands Order of Cu Chulainn to the following;

- Thomas O'Malley
- Tony Smith
- Betty Barry
- Florence Canning

The meeting adjourned at 13:00 for lunch.

The meeting reconvened at 14:00pm

21. Election Results

Following the votes cast by the delegates, The National Secretary announced the following candidates as elected;

National Management Committee

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| • Chief Scout | Michael John Shinnick |
| • Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) | Maeliosa de Buitlear |

- National Secretary Sean Farrell
- Communications Commissioner Jimmy Cunningham
- International Commissioner Christy McCann
- Member Ollie Kehoe
- Member John Reid
- Member Cathal Healy
- Member Claire McAroe
- Member Glenn Webster

Scout Foundation

- Michael Devins
- Kevin Murphy

22. Conclusion

The Chief Scout thanked delegates for their attendance and contribution to National Council and also expressed thanks to;

- Youth members for providing the Colour Party
- Hotel and staff
- Staff of Scouting Ireland
- Tellers
- Pipe Band
- All members of the NMC particularly those who are standing down
- Signers for the deaf

23. MOTIONS

The following Motions as received by the National Secretary and referred by the National Management Committee were voted on as follows:

MOTIONS		
M 1	<p>That Article 27 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:</p> <p>The Scout Group is registered in accordance with the Rules. The National Management Committee may suspend or cancel the registration of a Scout Group where a Scout Group fails to comply with the Constitution and Rules of the Association.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
M 2	<p>That part (g) of Article 38 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows: -</p> <p>(g) Three delegates nominated by the Scout Group Council of each registered Scout Group.</p>	Carried

	<i>(National Management Committee)</i>	
M 3	<p>That part (f) of Article 38 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:</p> <p>(f) The County Commissioners, County Officers, two representatives from the Scout County Youth Forum for</p> <p>(i) Scouts, (ii) Venture Scouts and (iii) Rover Scouts</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
M 4	<p>That part (h) of Article 38 of the Constitution be amended to read as follows:</p> <p>(h) Nine representatives of:</p> <p>(i) the National Youth Forum for Scouts; (ii) the National Youth Forum for Venture Scouts and (iii) the National Youth Forum for Rover Scouts.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
NOTICE OF MOTION		
NM - 1	<p>That Notice of Motion be accepted to amend Article 41 (j) of the Constitution of the Association (and therefore Section 39 (X) of the Articles of the Company) to read as follows:</p> <p>To receive the Annual Report of the Scout Foundation and other relevant entities.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
NM - 2	<p>That Notice of Motion be accepted to amend Article 41 (k) of the Constitution of the Association (and therefore Section 39 (XI) of the Articles of the Company) to read as follows:</p> <p>To recommend for appointment members and directors to the Scout Foundation and other relevant entities as required in accordance with the Rules, where nominated by a Scout Group Council, Scout County Board or the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn

NM - 3	<p>That Notice of Motion be accepted to amend Article 53 of the Constitution of the Association (and therefore Section 51 of the Articles of the Company) to read as follows:</p> <p>Scouting Ireland has three property holding trust companies; the Scout Association of Ireland Trust Corporation Limited, the Scout Foundation and the Scouting Trust Property Limited; collectively referred to as the Scout Foundation. Movable and immovable property of Scouting Ireland shall be vested in the Scout Foundation in accordance with the Rules.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
NM - 4	<p>That Notice of Motion be accepted to amend Article 55 of the Constitution of the Association (and therefore Section 53 of the Articles of the Company) to read as follows:</p> <p>The directors of the Scout Foundation shall comprise of the Chief Scout, National Secretary, National Treasurer and four other members of Scouting Ireland recommended for appointment by National Council; upon nomination of the National Management Committee, any Scout County Board or any Scout Group Council.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
NM 5	<p>That this National Council amend Article 38, by the addition of (new sub section) as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Resources Commissioners <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Fell
NM 6	<p>That Notice of Motion be accepted to amend Article 35 of the Constitution to read as follows:</p> <p>Other meetings of the National Council are called by the National Secretary when the number of "Other Members" elected under Rule 162 falls below five or when the National Secretary receives a request in writing which clearly states the business to be considered by any one of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) The National Management Committee b) Five Scout County Boards c) Ten Scout County Management Committees d) Ten Scout County Youth For a but subject to the Rules e) Thirty-five Scout Group Councils <p><i>(Slieve Bloom Scout County)</i></p>	Fell

NM 7	<p>That this National Council amend Article 38, by the addition of (new sub section) as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • six representatives of: <p>(i) the Provincial Youth Forum for Scouts; (ii) the Provincial Youth Forum for Venture Scouts (iii) the Provincial Youth Forum for Rover Scouts.</p> <p><i>(National Youth Forum for Venture Scouts)</i></p>	Carried
RULES		
RULES: Finance & Governance		
R 1	<p>That a new Rule to the Rules of Association ONLY be introduced to read as follows:</p> <p>In assisting in the achieving the objectives of the Association a number of companies collectively referred to as “relevant entities” are in existence. The Memorandum and Articles of each of the relevant entities shall be consistent with the Constitution and Rules of the Association.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 2	<p>That a new Rule to the Rules of the Association ONLY be introduced to read as follows:</p> <p>Members of the National Management Committee are the directors of the company Scouting Ireland.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
R 3	<p>That a new Rule to the Rules of the Association ONLY be introduced to read as follows:</p> <p>The Members of each relevant entity (except for Scouting Ireland itself) shall consist of the members of the National Team for Policy Implementation and Co-ordination and those appointed as directors of the relevant entity in accordance with provisions set out in the Rules.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 4	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p> <p>The Scout Foundation (N.I.) is a company registered in Northern Ireland, limited by guarantee without a share capital, exempt from using the word limited and governed by its Memorandum and Articles.</p>	Carried

	<i>(National Management Committee)</i>	
R 5	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p> <p>The directors of The Scout Foundation (N.I) shall consist of the Chief Scout, the National Secretary, the National Treasurer, the Provincial Commissioner (Northern Scout Province), the Provincial Treasurer (Northern Scout Province) and three Other Members of Scouting Ireland from the Northern Scout Province recommended for appointment by members of National Council from the Northern Scout Province on nomination of a Scout Group or Scout County from the Northern Scout Province or by the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
R 6	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p> <p>The three Other Members recommended by National Council for appointment as directors of The Scout Foundation (Northern Ireland) are appointed for a term of three years and are eligible for re-appointment for one further term of three years.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
R 7	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p> <p>The accounts of The Scout Foundation (N.I) shall be audited annually by an Auditor agreed by Scout Foundation (N.I.) and the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
R 8	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p> <p>Scouting Ireland Campsites Limited is a company registered in Ireland limited by guarantee and not having a share capital and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
R 9	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p>	Carried

	<p>The directors of Scouting Ireland Campsites Limited shall consist of the National Secretary, the National Treasurer, Chief Commissioner Youth Programme and two other Members of Scouting Ireland recommended for appointment by the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	
R 10	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p> <p>The two other Members recommended by the National Management Committee for appointment as directors of Scouting Ireland Campsites Limited are appointed for a term of three years and are eligible for re-appointment for one further term of three years.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
R 11	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p> <p>The accounts of Scouting Ireland Campsites Limited shall be audited annually by the Auditor for Scouting Ireland.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
R 12	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p> <p>Outdoor Adventure Stores (Liffey Street) Limited is a company registered in Ireland and shall be governed by its Memorandum and Articles</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 13	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association AND the Articles of the Company to read as follows:</p> <p>The four Other Members recommended by National Council for appointment as directors of the Scout Foundation are appointed for a term of three years and are eligible for re- appointment for one further term of three years.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 14	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p>	Carried

	<p>The Irish Scouting Foundation is a company registered in Ireland, limited by guarantee without a share capital and exempt from using the word limited and is governed by its Memorandum and Articles.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	
R 15	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p> <p>The directors of Irish Scouting Foundation shall consist of the, Chief Scout, National Secretary, the National Treasurer, and up to five other Members of Scouting Ireland recommended for appointment by the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
R 16	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p> <p>The five other Members recommended by the National Management Committee for appointment as directors of Irish Scouting Foundation are appointed for a term of three years and are eligible for re-appointment for one further term of three years.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
R 17	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p> <p>The accounts of Irish Scouting Foundation shall be audited annually by the Auditor for Scouting Ireland.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
R 18	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 128(b) to read as follows:</p> <p>Co-ordinating the work of the Standing Committees and Sub Committees.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
R 19	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 179 of the Rules of the Association ONLY to read as follows:</p> <p>Scouting Ireland has the power, as exercised by the National Management Committee, to borrow from any financial institution as necessary for the</p>	Withdrawn

	<p>ordinary business of Scouting Ireland. Each of the relevant entities within Scouting Ireland may also from time to time borrow from any financial institution as necessary for their ordinary business subject to having first received approval from the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	
R 20	<p>That this National Council agrees to introduce a new rule to read as follows:</p> <p>Registration Fees and support payments to Scout Groups and Scout Counties shall be outlined in the policy set down by the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Fell
R21	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Section 52 of the Articles of the Company to read as follows:</p> <p>The Companies shall be registered in Ireland and governed by their Memorandum and Articles</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
RULES: - Group Appointments		
R22	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 16 to read as follows:</p> <p>The Group Leader forwards new additions to the Group Register of members to the National Secretary by adding the new members details to the Scouting Ireland Database within six weeks of addition of the new members details to the Group Register.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried.
R23	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 53 to read as follows:</p> <p>The Group Leader is appointed for a term of three years and is eligible for re-appointment by the Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) on behalf of the National Management Committee for a further three-year term subject to the approval of the Scout Group Council and the County Commissioner.</p> <p>In exceptional circumstances and in order to facilitate succession planning; one subsequent term of one-year may be sought subject to appointment by the Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) on behalf of the National Management Committee upon the approval of the Scout Group Council and the County Commissioner.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Fell

<p>R 24</p>	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 54 to read as follows:</p> <p>The Appointment of Group Leader may be cancelled, withdrawn or suspended by the Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) on behalf of the National Management Committee on the recommendation of the Scout Group Council, County Commissioner or otherwise.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	<p>Withdrawn</p>
<p>R 25</p>	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 56 to read as follows:</p> <p>Deputy Group Leader(s) may be nominated by the Scout Group Council, recommended by the County Commissioner and appointed by the Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) on behalf of the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	<p>Withdrawn</p>
<p>R 26</p>	<p>That this National Council agrees to introduce a new rule to read as follows:</p> <p>The Appointment of Deputy Group Leader may be cancelled, withdrawn or suspended by the Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) on behalf of the National Management Committee on the recommendation of the Scout Group Council or the County Commissioner.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	<p>Withdrawn</p>
<p>R 27</p>	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 59 to read as follows:</p> <p>Programme Scouters are Scouters nominated by the Scout Group Council, approved by the Group Leader and the County Commissioners, and appointed by the Chief Commissioner Adult Resources on behalf of the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	<p>Withdrawn</p>
<p>RULES: County Appointments</p>		
<p>R 28</p>	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 88 to read as follows:</p> <p>The County Commissioner is a Scouter nominated by the Scout County Board and appointed by the Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) on behalf of the National Management Committee for a term of three years and is eligible for re-appointment by the Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) on behalf of the National Management Committee upon the nomination of the Scout County Board for one further term of three years.</p>	<p>Withdrawn</p>

	<i>(National Management Committee)</i>	
R 29	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 93 (A) to read as follows:</p> <p>The Deputy County Commissioner may be nominated by the Scout County Board, recommended by the County Commissioner and appointed by the Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) on behalf of the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 30	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 92 to read as follows:</p> <p>The appointment of the County Commissioner may be cancelled, withdrawn or suspended by the Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) on behalf of the National Management Committee in accordance with the Rules.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 31	<p>That this National Council agrees to introduce a new rule to read as follows:</p> <p>The appointment of a Deputy County Commissioner may be cancelled, withdrawn or suspended by the Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) on behalf of the National Management Committee in accordance with the Rules.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
RULES: Provincial Appointments		
R 32	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 21 to include the following as Appointments:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provincial Adult Resources Coordinator • Provincial Youth Programme Coordinator <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 33	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 108 e and f to read as follows:</p> <p>The Provincial Management/Support Team consists of the following:</p> <p>e. The Provincial Youth Programme Coordinator f. The Provincial Adult Resources Coordinator</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn

R 34	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 108 (d) to read as follows:</p> <p>The Provincial Adult Resources Coordinator shall be appointed by the Provincial Management Support Team on the nomination of the Provincial Commissioner in consultation with the Chief Commissioner Adult Resources. His/her term of office shall be concurrent with the term of office of the Provincial Commissioner in office at the time of the appointment. Should the Provincial Commissioner resign or be removed from office, the Provincial Adult Resources Coordinator shall remain in office up to the formal vote of a new Provincial Commissioner but shall step down prior to the vote.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 35	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 108 E to read as follows:</p> <p>The Provincial Youth Programme Coordinator shall be appointed by the Provincial Management Support Team on the nomination of the Provincial Commissioner in consultation with the Chief Commissioner Youth Programme. His/her term of office shall be concurrent with the term of office of the Provincial Commissioner in office at the time of the appointment. Should the Provincial Commissioner resign or be removed from office, the Provincial Youth Programme Coordinator shall remain in office up to the formal vote of a new Provincial Commissioner but shall step down prior to the vote.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 36	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 137(d) to read as follows:</p> <p>The members of the National Youth Programme Committee are as follows:</p> <p>d. The Provincial Youth Programme Coordinators</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 37	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 139 (c) to read as follows:</p> <p>The members of the National Adult Resources Committee are as follows</p> <p>c. Provincial Adult Resources Coordinators;</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
RULES: National Appointments		
R38	<p>That a new Rule be introduced to read as follows:</p> <p>Where the Communications Commissioner vacates office the National Management Committee shall be empowered to appoint a Scouter to the</p>	Carried

	vacant position who shall hold the appointment until the next meeting of the National Council. <i>(National Management Committee)</i>	
R39	That a new Rule be introduced to read as follows: Where the International Commissioner vacates office the National Management Committee shall be empowered to appoint a Scouter to the vacant position who shall hold the appointment until the next meeting of the National Council. <i>(National Management Committee)</i>	Carried
RULES: Appointments General		
R40	That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 19 to read as follows: The general minimum age requirement for an Appointment in Scouting Ireland is 18 years. <i>(National Management Committee)</i>	Withdrawn
R41	That a new Rule be introduced to read as follows: A member of Scouting Ireland cannot hold more than one of the following Appointments or Positions simultaneously; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group Treasurer • County Treasurer • Provincial Treasurer • National Treasurer <i>(North Cork Scout County)</i>	Fell
R42	That a New Rule be introduced to read as follows: A member of Scouting Ireland cannot hold more than one of the following Appointments or Positions simultaneously; <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Group Leader • County Commissioner • Provincial Commissioner • Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) <i>(North Cork Scout County)</i>	Fell
RULES: Adult Resources		

R43	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 139 by adding a new sub-section to read as follows:</p> <p>The members of the National Adult Resources Committee are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource Commissioners; <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 44	<p>That this National Council agrees to a New Rule to read as follows:</p> <p>A Resource Commissioner shall be appointed by the National Management Committee and shall hold office concurrently with the Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources). He/she may be nominated for the position by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. A Scout Group Council b. A Scout County Management Committee c. Any member of the National Management Committee <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 45	<p>That this National Council agrees to a New Rule to read as follows:</p> <p>The Appointment of a Resource Commissioner may be cancelled, withdrawn or suspended by the National Management Committee</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R 46	<p>That this National Council agrees to a New Rule to read as follows:</p> <p>A Resource Commissioner is primarily responsible for the coordination of the defined key elements of work on behalf of the National Adult Resources Committee as defined by the Chief Commissioner Adult Resources and approved by the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Fell pursuant to NM 5
R 47	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 21 by adding a new sub-section under National Appointments to read as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource Commissioner <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Withdrawn
R48	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 147 (B) to read as follows:</p>	Carried

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Up to three representatives from the National Youth Programme Committee; <p>(National Management Committee)</p>	
RULES: Conflict Management		
R49	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 30 to read as follows:</p> <p>In the event of a dispute, every effort shall be made to settle the matter locally. The dispute shall be resolved in accordance with Scouting Ireland’s Conflict Resolution Policy. In the event of a failure to reach a resolution, the matter shall be referred to the National Management Committee.</p> <p>(National Management Committee)</p>	Carried
R 50	<p>That this National Council agrees to add an additional section to Rule 25 A to read as follows:</p> <p>In line with Scouting Ireland’s Conflict Resolution Policy a member by agreement may temporarily withdraw from any Appointment or Position they hold for an agreed period of time to allow for the processes as set out in the Conflict Resolution Policy to be effective.</p> <p>(National Management Committee)</p>	Carried
R 51	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 27 to read as follows:</p> <p>The grounds for cancellation, withdrawal or suspension of an Appointment or Position include, inter alia, where the holder of the Appointment or Position fails to render satisfactory service to Scouting Ireland or becomes unfit to have charge of youth members.</p> <p>(National Management Committee)</p>	Carried
R 52	<p>That this National Council agrees to add an additional section to Rule 29 to read as follows:</p> <p>Any member dissatisfied with a decision made to cancel, withdraw or suspend his or her Appointment or Position in Scouting Ireland or terminate his or her membership of Scouting Ireland may appeal such cancellation, withdrawal, suspension or termination, in writing to the National Secretary or in the case where the National Secretary is the appellant the Chief Scout within 21 days of notification of such cancellation, withdrawal, suspension or termination. The National Secretary will appoint an Appeals Committee consisting of a Commissioner and two other members of Scouting Ireland, one nominated by the appellant, the other nominated by the National Secretary. No member of</p>	Carried

	<p>the Appeals Committee should have a direct connection with the appellant. Such an Appeals Committee will not later than 21 days after its appointment commence such proceedings, as it deems necessary to allow it conduct such an appeal. The decisions of the Appeals Committee shall be final.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	
R 53	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 111 to read as follows:</p> <p>The Provincial Commissioner is a Scouter nominated by a Scout Group Council or a Scout County Board from within the Scout Province and elected by the members of National Council from that Scout Province for a term of three years and is eligible for re-election for a further term of three years. Where a Provincial Commissioner vacates office the Provincial Management/Support Team will appoint an acting Provincial Commissioner until such time as a Provincial Commissioner can be elected in accordance with this Rule.</p> <p><i>(National Management Committee)</i></p>	Carried
RULES: General		
R 54	<p>That this National Council agrees to amend Rule 75 to read as follows: In determining the boundaries of the Scout County the National Management Committee shall take into account the Local Authority areas within Ireland. When changing the boundaries of existing Scout Counties, agreement of the effected Scout Group must be obtained before the change is approved by the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(Slieve Bloom Scout County)</i></p>	Carried
R 55	<p>That this National Council agrees to introduce a New Rule to read as follows:</p> <p>Where a vacancy occurs amongst the elected members of the National Management Committee elected under Rule 162 the vacancy shall be filled for the remainder of the term shall be served by the by the runner-up in the election, at the election in which the resigning or deceased member was elected.</p> <p>Where no runner-ups are available and the number of Other Members elected falls below five; the National Secretary will call a meeting of National Council to fill any vacancies arising.</p> <p>Other Members elected at National Council's, called under this rule, on the nomination of a Scout Group Council or Scout County Board will serve for one term of three years ending at the fourth National Council following their election called under Article 41. They shall be eligible for election after a period of three years' absence from the National Management Committee.</p> <p><i>(Slieve Bloom Scout County)</i></p>	Fell pursuant to NM 6

GENERAL PROPOSALS		
GM1	That this National Council agrees to change the year-end date for Scouting Ireland to 31 August. <i>(National Management Committee)</i>	Carried
GM 2	That this National Council agrees as an Interim arrangement subject to the approval of the amendment to Rule 53 as proposed by the National Management Committee for the purposes of ensuring a reasonable opportunity for succession planning; that where a person currently holding an appointment as Group Leader, where they have already served two three year terms and are now in one year terms; that they be deemed to be in the first year of a final three year term. With the appointment as Group Leader to end in two years' time at the Annual General Meeting of the Group Council in 2014. This changeover period may be varied to a shorter timeframe by agreement between the Group Leader, Group Council and County Commissioner. <i>(National Management Committee)</i>	Withdrawn
GM 3	That this National Council agrees as an Interim arrangement subject to the approval of the insertion of new rules (noted in this document as R - 41 & R – 42) as proposed by the North Cork Scout County Board for the purposes of ensuring a reasonable opportunity for succession planning; that where a person currently holds a dual appointment as noted in the new rules, they may remain as the holder of the appointments in question until the 1 st April 2013 <i>(North Cork Scout County)</i>	Fell
GM 4	That this National Council agrees that following the decisions made at the 2012 Annual General Meeting / National Council to permit the National Secretary to re-order/re-number the articles in the Constitution and Rules (and the Company Memorandum & Articles); save that no changes of meaning or principle within the articles shall be amended. <i>(National Management Committee)</i>	Carried
GM 5	That this National Council urges the Scout Shop to stock adult shirts in female as well as male pattern fit. <i>(Cill Mhantain Scout County)</i>	Carried
GM 6	That this National Council requests Scouting Ireland to reduce or eliminate the	Carried

	<p>use of acronyms and abbreviations from all correspondence/emails and when speaking at conferences/meetings and training courses and communicate in a plain, simple and understandable language.</p> <p><i>(Cluain Toirc Scout County)</i></p>	
GM 7	<p>That this National Council –</p> <p>(a) refers SID60/10 back to the National Management Committee for review regarding the mandatory use of the Scout year rather than a calendar year and the inclusion of ‘Group accounts’ in the definition of the term ‘Annual Return’.</p> <p>and</p> <p>(b) would consider the submission of the attached example of a Group Financial Statement as satisfactory for the ‘Scout Group Accounts’. <i>(Sample accounts at end of document)</i></p> <p><i>(Tolka Scout County)</i></p>	Withdrawn
GM 8	<p>That this National Council requests the issuing of Good Camping Certificates by National Office for annual camps, pack holidays, expeditions and Beaver camps to all sections that have attained the standards laid down by the Chief Commissioner Youth Programme and /or his/her programme team.</p> <p><i>(1st Dublin (Fairview) Scout Group)</i></p>	Carried
GM 9	<p>That this National Council requests the issuing of Good Camping Certificates by National Office for annual camps, pack holidays, expeditions and Beaver camps to all sections that have attained the standards laid down by the Chief Commissioner Youth Programme and /or his/her programme team.</p> <p><i>(Cluain Toirc Scout County)</i></p>	Carried
GM 10	<p>That this National Council recognises the great work done by all the events teams and thanks them for said work.</p> <p>Bearing this in mind, it reminds them that they must adhere to all relevant Scouting Ireland Documents and Policies to include Section 5.3 of SID 77/11A – (Camping and Adventure in the Out of Doors Guidelines) which states:-</p> <p><i>“Tentage/Accommodation to ensure adequate privacy for male and female participants must be provided”.</i></p> <p><i>(4th Kildare Scout Group Naas)</i></p>	Withdrawn

GM 11	<p>For National Events that have quotas, once deadline for event has been reached and quota is not filled, that the remaining places be distributed to groups on a "first come first served "basis.</p> <p><i>(18/26 Waterford Scout Group)</i></p>	Withdrawn
GM 12	<p>That this National Council notes the lack of a Training Commissioner.</p> <p><i>(103 Dublin (Willington) Scout Group)</i></p>	Withdrawn
GM 13	<p>This National Council instructs the Chief Commissioner (Adult Resources) at the first available opportunity to undertake a review of Scouter Training using the Adults in Scouting World Policy as reference, with the underlining principles of providing adult leadership training that is flexible and accessible, which acknowledges previous skills and focuses on the actual role specific to each Scouter.</p> <p><i>(103 Dublin (Willington) Scout Group)</i></p>	Carried
GM 14	<p>That this National Council instructs Scouting Ireland to undertake to actively encourage healthy eating, good nutrition, diet and exercise as core aims of our ONE Programme and National Events. Scouting Ireland will also promote these aims with Groups and facilitate and encourage participation in relevant training and awareness campaigns.</p> <p><i>(103 Dublin (Willington) Scout Group)</i></p>	Carried
GM 15	<p>That this National Council instructs the National Secretary to include reports from each of the ordinary members of the NMC, on the work they have carried out as members of the NMC, within the annual report of the Association.</p> <p><i>(North Cork Scout County)</i></p>	Withdrawn
GM 16	<p>That this National Council instructs the National Secretary, to provide here-and-now, a progress report including goals already achieved and outstanding goals yet to be achieved, on the work of the Committee which is reviewing the structures and management of Scouting Ireland.</p> <p><i>(North Cork Scout County)</i></p>	Withdrawn
GM 17	<p>That National council notes with dismay that the undertaking that was given at National Council 2008 that appropriate proposals for the improvement of the</p>	Withdrawn

	<p>Constitution and Rules of Scouting Ireland would be brought to National Council within 3 years and this has not happened.</p> <p><i>(Slieve Bloom Scout County)</i></p>	
GM 18	<p>This National Council congratulates Sea Scouting in Ireland in this, its centenary year of 2012, compliments it on its historic traditions and on its modern outlooks, and wishes it fair sailing in the future.”</p> <p>(National Management Committee)</p>	Carried
GM 19	<p>That this National Council congratulates Sea Scouting in Ireland in this, its centenary year of 2012, compliments it on its historic traditions and on its modern outlooks, and wishes it fair sailing in the future.</p> <p><i>(Cill Mhantain Scout County)</i></p>	Carried
GM 20	<p>That this National Council congratulates Sea Scouting in Ireland in this, its centenary year of 2012, compliments it on its historic traditions and on its modern outlooks, and wishes it fair sailing in the future</p> <p><i>(5 Wicklow (Bray) Sea Scout Group)</i></p>	Carried
GM 21	<p>That this National Council recognises the hard work put in by all members of the World Scout Jamboree Irish Contingent Management Team and expresses its gratitude for the enthusiasm and commitment that they showed.</p> <p><i>(Dublinia Scout County)</i></p>	Carried