

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING:

Special General Meeting of the Members of the Society held at Clarence Hall, Imperial Hotel, Cork, on Saturday, 24th January, 1948, at which Mr. E.J. Clarke, President, presided. There was a large attendance present. The Secretary read a notice convening the Meeting. The Meeting was called, as the Society, being a Nominating Body for the time being under the Seanad Electoral (Panel Members) Act, 1947, in pursuant to Section 21 (1), they must appoint five persons on the Nominating Body for the Agricultural Panel, the Society to then forward to the Seanad Returning Officer the names and addresses of the five persons selected by ballot of the members present as the Society's representatives on the Nominating Committee to the Agricultural Panel.

STANDING ORDERS:

The President read Standing Orders, as follows for this Meeting:--

1. That four Scrutineers be appointed by vote of those present at the Meeting, the Chairman of the Meeting to act as Referee.
  2. Each member shall mark on the left-hand side of the ballot paper a cross opposite the names of the five Candidates for whom he or she wishes to vote, and the five Candidates receiving the highest number of votes shall represent the Society on the Nominating Committee under the Seanad Electoral (Panel Members) Act, 1947, for the Agricultural Panel.
  3. Where a Member votes for more Candidates than the number of representatives to be appointed, or a ballot paper has been altered, such ballot paper shall be declared void by the Scrutineers.
  4. In the event of a tie between two or more Candidates, lots shall be drawn by the Chairman of the Meeting to decide who shall be elected.
- On the motion of Mr. N. Hayes, seconded by Mr. D.P. Forde, the Standing Orders, as read out by the President, were unanimously passed.

SCRUTINEERS:

The following were then appointed Scrutineers, on the motion of Mr. N. Hayes, seconded by Mr. D. Cronin:--  
Messrs D. Cronin & E. Wall.

On the motion of Mr. D. Cronin, seconded by Mr. C. Donovan, Mr. J.S. Henderson was appointed a Scrutineer.

On the motion of Mr. E. Wall, seconded by Mr. R. Murphy, Mr. H.S. Hayes was also appointed a Scrutineer.

The President then put the motions as regards Scrutineers and same were declared passed unanimously.

On the proposition of Mr. D.P. Forde, seconded by Mr. E. Wall, and carried unanimously, the following resolution:--

" That the President, Ernest Joseph Clarke, and the Secretary, John Byrne, be authorised to sign, on behalf of the Society, the prescribed Nominating Papers under the Seanad Electoral (Panel Members) Act, 1947, setting out the names and addresses of the five members appointed by the Society on the Nominating Committee for the Agricultural Panel. "