



Irish Heritage Society of Sacramento

General Meeting Minutes

July 1st, 2026

Call to Order: meeting was called to order 6:40pm by President Kevin Coen

Roll Call Officers: In attendance, Kevin Coen, Bill O'Connor

Recognized Guests: Member Joe Sullivan attended his first meeting.

Approval of April Meeting minutes: Motion to accept as written by Jerry Sullivan, seconded by Bill O'Connor and passed.

Membership Report: 3 new memberships for 45 total memberships and 70+ members as of meeting date. 7 general, 31 senior, 7 family memberships.

Treasurer's Report: Total deposits of \$207.36 (\$ membership dues, \$169.03 donations), \$66.17 payments for name tags, \$30.00 reimbursement for parade fees, \$165.00 reimbursement for picnic ground rental, current balance \$1798.88. **These totals were added to the minutes after the meeting as the treasurer was not present at the meeting.**

Unfinished Business:

- **June poet night review:** Kevin commented everything went well, was fun and informative, suggested we should make this an annual event or possibly twice a year.
- **Irish language class update:** Kevin updated the status of the classes. Still waiting on specific dates from the teacher of the classes.
- **Club picnic planning:** Meeting attendees discussed ideas to make the picnic more fun by adding games, raffles, music. Discussion was made to have the event be free of charge for attendees, but ask for a voluntary donation.
- **Contact local churches:** Member Jerry Sullivan brought up the idea of possibly putting an ad in local church newsletters letting people know about our group.

New Business:

- **August meeting date change:** President Kevin mentioned that the August meeting will be held on Thursday August 6th as he will be unavailable on the scheduled day of August 5th.
- **Stream meetings online:** Kevin brought up the idea of streaming our meetings online for members who cannot make them. All members in attendance at the meeting thought it would be a good idea.
- **Information on Thursday Women's Club site rental:** President Kevin gave information on a possible site we could rent for club events.
- **Ideas for charity and club fundraisers:** President Kevin gave ideas for charity and club fundraisers such as mini golf, bingo, seasonal charity work, Halloween/Christmas party, whiskey tasting, Irish famine commemoration.
- **Needed committees:** President Kevin asked if we needed special committees to handle specific events for the club, members in attendance agreed that they would help.
- **Corporate sponsors:** Discussion was had about trying to get corporate sponsors for our club and events. Being a Irish specific group it was mentioned that maybe only for charity fundraising opportunities.

Communications:

Two members emailed and asked about the status of the Irish language classes.

Announcements:

- Téada – Sofia Theatre September 26th
- Altan – Sofia Theatre October 18th
- Celtic Thunder – Grass Valley October 22nd
- Highland Games – Pleasanton Labor Day Weekend

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 7:21pm

