

MINUTE OF MEETING of the ADMINISTRATIVE
COUNCIL of THE SCOTTISH POTATO TRADE
ASSOCIATION held in the GOLDEN LION HOTEL,
STIRLING, at 4 p.m. on THURSDAY, 22nd
OCTOBER, 1970.

PRESENT: Messrs. I.P. Fulton, A.D. Williamson, J. Fordyce, J. Robertson,
G. Luke, G.G. Donald, J. Aitken, W. Gray and D.H. Lindsay, along
with Mr. R. David Hunter, the Secretary.

Mr. Ian P. Fulton was in the Chair. Mr. Fulton welcomed the members to the first meeting of the Administrative Council of the Association.

CONSTITUTION AND RULES. The Secretary reported that during their respective meetings earlier to-day the Committees of the Seed and Ware Divisions had unanimously resolved on behalf of all members of their respective Divisions to adopt the proposed Constitution and Rules without alteration. The Council therefore ratified these Resolutions and instructed the Secretary to send a copy of the Constitution and Rules to each member of the Association. He was also instructed to make formal application on behalf of the Association to the Inland Revenue for recognition as a Trade Protection Association.

MEMBERSHIP. The Secretary gave to the Council details of the applications for membership of the Association. The Secretary was instructed to prepare a letter to send out to all Licensed Merchants in Scotland who were not already members of the Association, inviting them to make application for membership. The President stated that he had drafted a letter to send out to the members of the Association which would include a list of the existing members and asking their assistance to encourage any other Licensed Merchants to take up membership.

NOMINATIONS TO COMMITTEES ETC.

Joint Consultative Committee. Messrs. I.P. Fulton and A.D. Williamson were appointed the Association's representatives on the Joint Consultative Committee of the Potato Marketing Board.

Scottish Advisory Committee. Messrs. Ian P. Fulton and A.D. Williamson were appointed the Association's representatives on the Scottish Advisory Committee of the Potato Marketing Board.

Seed Potato Working Party. It was resolved to leave the Committee of the Seed Potato Division to nominate the Association's representatives on the Seed Potato Working Party.

Potato Trade Consortium. Messrs. Ian P. Fulton and J. Fordyce were appointed the Association's representatives on the Potato Trades Consortium.

Joint Liaison Committee. It was left to the Committee of the Seed Potato Division to nominate the representatives of the Association on the Joint Liaison Committee. It was recommended, however, that one member of the Ware Division Committee be included in the nominations.

Seed Potato Advisory Committee/

Seed Potato Advisory Committee. The Secretary informed the meeting that the Trade representative on the Seed Potato Advisory Committee of the Potato Marketing Board was a Board appointment and not a Trade nomination.

Arbitration Panel. In order to comply with the existing Conditions of Sale the Arbitration Panel of the Scottish Potato Trade Executive was retained in being in the meantime.

Processing Committee. Messrs. A. D. Williamson (Convener), I. Barr, G. Luke and D. Henderson were appointed to the Processing Sub-Committee of the Association.

Auditors. The Secretary was instructed to invite Mr. R. L. Peacock of Craig, McIntyre & Peacock, Chartered Accountants, 402 Sauchiehall Street, Glasgow, to be the Association's Auditor.

MEETING. It was agreed to hold meetings of the Administrative Council in Stirling as and when required.

FINANCES. The Secretary was instructed to collect subscriptions from the members of the Association as soon as convenient.

STATIONERY. The Secretary placed before the meeting the proof of proposed Association notepaper.

PUBLICATIONS. It was resolved to defer till later consideration of the publication of an Association Magazine.

ASSOCIATION SYMBOL. The Secretary was instructed to obtain details of the cost of making the Association's symbol available to members for display on their own notepaper.

ARBITRATION. It was agreed that at a future meeting of the Council consideration should be given to the drafting of Arbitration Rules for the Association.

EXPORT. There was discussion with regard to the setting up of an Export Sub-Committee. Messrs. Ian Barr, George Luke, G. Fenton, D. McDiarmid, G. P. Matheson, I. McKenzie and R. A. McLean were appointed to an Export Sub-Committee.

1971 VISIT. /

1971 VISIT. It was agreed to consider the possibility of the Association organising a trip for Merchants in 1971. The Secretary was instructed to ascertain if an invitation would be available for members to join the N.A.S.P.M. Trip to U.S.A. in 1971.

ANNUAL DANCE. It was resolved that each Division should hold their own Dance, the Seed Potato Division Dance in Perth and the Ware Potato Division Dance in Glasgow. It was further resolved that an invitation to attend the Dances would be open to all members of both Divisions of the Association.

DECIMALISATION. The Secretary was instructed to send out a letter to all members of the Association giving them advice with regard to the rounding up or down of Statement totals to eliminate pence to facilitate conversion to decimal currency.

METRICATION. The Secretary stated that metrication was to be considered at the forthcoming meeting of the Potato Trade Consortium.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING. It was resolved that the next meeting of the Administrative Council should be held in Stirling on Thursday, 14th January, 1970 at 12 noon.

A vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the meeting.

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