The treasurer reported that many members were in arrears with their subscriptions and announced that the subcommittee would be taking steps to correct this.

The possibility of corporate sponsorship and an increase in subscriptions were briefly discussed

## 7. September Meeting

Preparations for the September meeting are well under way. Provisional dates for the 1995 September meeting are 7th and 8th September.

#### Other business

It was suggested that the subcommittee on behalf of the society make a formal submission to the Science, Technology and Innovation Advisory Council on matters to be considered in the production of the forthcoming white paper on science and technology policy. A discussion took place on this matter. The following points were made:

- In the development of science and technology it is counterproductive to take a short term economic perspective. In the long run, any "knowledge based" economy must have a solid research base in the mathematical sciences as this underpins most of today's scientific and technological research.
- The mathematical sciences community should be represented at every level of the "new" science council.

Members were asked to send their suggestions for the submission to the secretary via e-mail before 15th April. The subcommittee will consider such suggestions and formulate the submission by the end of April.

The meeting closed at 1.15pm.

Pauline Mellon University College Dublin.

#### Conference Announcement

# The Legacy of GEORGE BOOLE

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE, CORK, IRELAND 28TH-30TH JUNE, 1995

In 1995, University College, Cork will celebrate the 150th anniversary of its foundation. As part of this celebration, the University will hold a Conference honouring the genius of George Boole, who was its first Professor of Mathematics.

The last major Conference on Boole was held in 1954. Since then, significant advances have been made in many areas influenced by him, so the time is right for a re-assessment of his contribution to learning.

Speakers who have accepted the invitation to participate include:

G. K. Batchelor (University of Cambridge)
Robert L. Devaney (Boston University)
Keith Devlin (St Mary's College of California)
I. Grattan-Guinness (Middlesex University)
Theodore Hailperin (Lehigh University)
Desmond MacHale (University College, Cork)
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