



Foras na Gaeilge

Foras na Gaeilge Board Decisions for the year 2012

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Minutes from the 102nd Board Meeting of Foras na Gaeilge held on Friday 27th of January 2012 in the Foras na Gaeilge Headquarters, Dublin.

Present: L. Ó Maolmhichíl (Chairperson), E. Mac Cormaic (Deputy-Chairperson), M. Mac Ruairí, L. Kennedy, T. Ruane, T. Sharkey, C. Cavanagh, Á. Ní Chiaráin, B. Ní Chonghóile, S. Mac Donncha, T. Mac Eochagáin, S. M. Ó Domhnaill and D. Ó hAiniféin.

In attendance: F. Mac an Fhailigh (Chief Executive), S. Ó Coinn (Deputy-Chief Executive), É. Ó hArgáin (Secretary), J. Ó Labhraí and S. Uí Choinne.

Apologies: C. Ní Shúilleabháin, P. Callaghan and M. Ó Ríordáin.

Clár na Leabhar Gaeilge – The Publishers’ Scheme

The Board accepted the recommendations for the Publishers Scheme (**Appendix 2**)

Application for Literary Projects

S. Mac Donncha left the meeting due to the possibility of a risk of conflict of interest.

The Board accepted the recommendations regarding the Literary Projects application (**Appendix 3**)

S. Mac Donncha returned at this point.

Liam Ó Maolmhichíl
Chairperson
9 March 2012

The Publishers' Scheme

The Clár na Leabhar Gaeilge committee discussed the application for the Publishers' Scheme at the committee meeting on Wednesday, 18th of January 2012. The following recommendations were made:

Group A

<i>Organisation</i>		<i>2011</i>	<i>2012</i>
Cló Iar-Chonnacht	<i>Number of books</i>	12	13 – 16 (estimated)
	<i>Type</i>	Poetry, novels, drama, childrens books, folklore	novels, travel literature, short story collections, collections of songs in the sean-nós style, memoirs
	<i>Other Activities</i>	Marketing activities – publicity, book launches, work on the website, stall at Irish Language events	Marketing activities – publicity, book launches, work on the website, readings by the author.
	<i>Recommended Amount</i>	€177,575	€169,500
Cois Life	<i>Number of books</i>	7 books & audio books	6 – 8 books & 3 audio books (estimated)
	<i>Type</i>	Novels, books for teenagers, childrens books, information	Prose for teenagers, reference books, short stories
	<i>Other Activities</i>	Marketing activities (book launch, website), recording for audio books, e-book publishing.	Marketing activities : work on the website, advertisement, publicity leaflets; new job to be announced.
	<i>Recommended Amount</i>	€88,703	€94,497

Cló Mhaigh Eo	<i>Number of books</i>	11	7 – 9 (estimated)
	<i>Type</i>	Childrens books	Childrens books
	<i>Other Activities</i>	Marketing activities – advertisement	Marketing activities - advertisement, 2012 catalogue; Development: e-books, activities abroad
	<i>Recommended Amount</i>	€56,500	€56,000
	<i>Specific recommendation</i>	It was recommended that it would be worthwhile for Cló Mhaigh Eo to be thinking of different marketing activities.	
Móinín	<i>Number of books</i>	4	4 -5 (estimated)
	<i>Type</i>	Books for children/teenagers, bilingual books	Books for children/teenagers, bilingual books
	<i>Other Activities</i>	Marketing activities – jobs campaign, advertisement, website	Marketing activities – jobs campaign, advertisement, website
	<i>Recommended Amount</i>	€45,100	€44,400
Futa Fata	<i>Number of books</i>	10	10 – 12 books & artwork (estimated)
	<i>Type</i>	Childrens books	Childrens books
	<i>Other Activities</i>	Marketing: Book launches, catalogue, stalls at Irish Language Events. Development: Total redesign of website	Marketing: Book Launches,, publicity campaigns, stalls at Irish Language Events, publicity leaflets.
	<i>Specific condition</i>	That funding can be spent on artwork for ‘Bliain na nAmhrán’ although specific conditions will apply.	

	Recommended Amount	€59,698	€67,000
Leabhar Breac CLG11114	Number of books	6	5 - 6 (estimated)
	Type	Childrens books, novels	Novels for adults & for teenagers. Picturebooks for children.
	Other Activities	Marketing: jobs campaign, Book Launches, publicity leaflet, publicity	Marketing: jobs campaign, Book Launches, publicity leaflet, advertisement, interview videos with authors to be put on the website
	Recommended Amount	€53,000	€50,500
	Specific recommendation	It is recommended that Leabhar Breac focus more on their marketing and development attempts in order to increase book sales and to seek operational marketing services to that end.	

Group A	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount 2012
Publisher		
Cló Iar-Chonnacht	242,516	169,500
Cois Life	111,337	94,497
Cló Mhaigh Eo	113,500	56,000
Móinín	65,262	44,400
Futa Fata	130,160	67,000
Leabhar Breac (Note 1)	97,159	50,500
Total	759,934	481,897

It is recommended that a grant no greater than €481,897 be approved for Group A for the period 1st January to 31st December provided agreed plans be made available by the publishers.

Note 1

Leabhar Breac were in Group B in 2011.

Group B

<i>Organisation</i>		<i>2010</i>	<i>2011</i>
An Sagart	<i>Number of books</i>	5	4 (estimated)
	<i>Type</i>	Poetry, academic & children	Poetry, drama, academic
	<i>Other Activities</i>	Website, book launches, advertisement, reading events, publicity leaflets	Website, book launches, advertisement, reading events
	<i>Recommended Amount</i>	€35,700	38,565
An tSnáthaid Mhór	<i>Number of books</i>	1	1
	<i>Type</i>	Childrens books	Childrens books
	<i>Other Activities</i>	Marketing activities – advertisement, marketing facilities. Art facilities.	Marketing activities – advertisement, electronic marketing
	<i>Recommended Amount</i>	€28,000	€25,183
Arlen House	<i>Number of books</i>	3	3 (estimated)
	<i>Type</i>	Poetry & drama	Poetry, biography, drama
	<i>Other Activities</i>	Events launched, international distribution	Events launched, international distribution
	<i>Recommended</i>	€21,000	€22,500

	<i>Amount</i>		
Coiscéim	<i>Number of books</i>	41	30 – 32 (estimated)
	<i>Type</i>	Poetry, history, biography, adult learners, novels	Poetry, history, biography, folkore, novels, books for young people
	<i>Other Activities</i>	Events launched, catalogue, advertisement, book club	Events launched, catalogue, advertisement, book club, website, attendance at Irish Language events
	<i>Recommended Amount</i>	€135,500	€120,500
	<i>Specific recommendation</i>	It is recommended that Coiscéim reduce the number of books they publish and further focus their attention at marketing work.	
Foilseacháin Ábhair Spioradálta	<i>Number of books</i>	4	3 (estimated)
	<i>Type</i>	Religion	Religion, history books
	<i>Other Activities</i>	Marketing activities – book launches, advertisement Developing the website	Marketing activities – book launches, advertisement Developing the website
	<i>Recommended Amount</i>	€17,500	€23,356
LeabhairCOMHAR	<i>Number of books</i>	4	4 (estimated)
	<i>Type</i>	Adult learners, poetry, history, children	Adult learners, information books, poetry, short stories
	<i>Other Activities</i>	Information leaflets, posters, books launches	Advertisements, books launches, radio programme recordings
	<i>Recommended Amount</i>	€24,250	€24,000

Duillí Éireann	<i>Number of books</i>	2	3 (estimated)
	<i>Type</i>	Varied – essays	Varied - essays & literal subjects
	<i>Recommended Amount</i>	€7,000	€8,000
	<i>Note</i>	A sum of €4,000 is recommended for the volumes & €4,000 recommended for the book entitled ‘Réamhrá don Scríbhneoireacht i nGaeilge agus in Albainis’	

Group B	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount 2012
Publisher	€	
An Sagart	75,835	€38,565
An tSnáthaid Mhór	113,914.58	€25,183
Arlen House	74,700	€22,500
Coiscéim	283,880	€120,500
Foilseacháin Ábhair Spioradálta	30,691	€23,356
LeabhairCOMHAR	98,200	€24,000
Duillí Éireann	18,301	€8,000
	€695,521.58	€262,104

It was recommended that a grant no greater than €262,104 be approved for Group B for the period from 1st January to 31st December 2012 provided agreed plans be made available by the publishers.

Group C

<i>Oranisation</i>		<i>2012</i>
Gathanna Gréine	<i>Number of Books</i>	1
	<i>Type</i>	Short stories, Childrens books
	<i>Recommended Amount</i>	€6,000
	<i>Note</i>	This funding is being provided to cover production costs only.

Group C	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount 2012
Publisher	€	€
Gathanna Gréine	15,993	6,000
Total	15,993	6,000

It is recommended that a grant no greater than €6,000 be approved for Group C for the period 1st January to 31st December provided agreed plans be made available by the publishers.

Information is omitted here as it is exempt information under Part 2 Section 6 and section 9 of the Code of Practice for Freedom of Information.

Application for Literary Projects

The Clár na Leabhar Gaeilge committee discussed the application for Literary Projects at the committee meeting on Wednesday, 18th of January 2012. The following recommendations were made:

IMRAM

Activity	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount
	€	€
Irish Language Literature Festival	18,000	16,000
IMRAM website	2,800	2,800
Events in association with other festivals, language and literature organisations.	4,200	3,200
Total	25,000	22,000

It is recommended that a sum no greater than **€22,000** be provided for IMRAM, for the period from the 1st January to 31st December 2012.

Oireachtas na Gaeilge

Activity	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount
	€	€
The Oireachtas Literary Competition	26,500	19,500
Book of the Year 2012	28,000	23,000
Publicity for Book of the Year	10,000	0*
Total	64,500	42,500
Funding is not provided for merit awards – the standard much be reached by the winners. * It was recommended that the marketing possibilities be discussed further before a decision be made regarding the publicity aspect of the plan.		

It is recommended that a grant no greater than **€42,500** be approved for Oireachtas na Gaeilge for the period 1st January to 31st December provided an agreed plan be made available.

Gaelchultúr

<i>Activity</i>	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount
<i>Clubleabhar.com</i>	€	€
The objective of clubleabhar.com is to encourage people in Ireland and in other countries around the world to read Irish Language books.		
Club expenses (technical expenses, marketing, administration, glosses, videos)	18,300	12,000
Total	18,300	12,000

It is recommended that a grant no greater than €12,000 be approved for Gaelchultúr for Clubleabhar.com for the period 1st January to 31st December 2012.

Móinín

<i>Activity</i>	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount
<i>An Scríobhlann</i>	€	€
Intensive training course in Writing a short story and novel	13,850	10,000
Total	13,850	10,000

It is recommended that a grant no greater than €10,000 be approved for Móinín for An Scríobhlann for the period 1st January to 31st December 2012.

Áras Scríbhneoirí na hÉireann

<i>Activity</i>	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount
	€	€
A mentoring Scheme for new Irish Language writers	15,000	0
The promotion of Irish Language books	15,000	10,000
Total	30,000	10,000
It is recommended that they return next year, when further research has been done on the mentoring Scheme for new Irish Language writers.		

It is recommended that a grant no greater than €10,000 be approved for Áras Scríbhneoirí na hÉireann for the period 1st January to 31st December 2012, for the promotion of Irish Language books only.

Oidhreacht Chorca Dhuibhne

<i>Activity</i>	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount
<i>Blogging and reviewing scheme</i>	€	€
Judging and Prizes	1,396	500
Total	1,396	500

It is recommended that a grant no greater than **€500** be approved for Oidhreacht Chorca Dhuibhne for judging and prizes for the period 1st January to 31st December 2012.

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Apologies: S. Mac Donncha, C. Cavanagh, T. Mac Eochagáin and S. Ó Coinn (Deputy-Chief Executive).

03.103 EXPENDITURE REPORT UNTIL 31st OF JANUARY 2012

An updated copy of the expenditure report was distributed to the Board and they were informed that the 2012 Budget had not been agreed by the Departments yet. The Board accepted the expenditure report and the 2011 write-off. (**Appendix 2**)

08.103 CLÁR NA LEABHAR GAEILGE

The Board noted two information notes from Clár na Leabhar Gaeilge (**Appendix 3**).

Appendix 2

Section	Subsection	Project Title	To be written-off €
Community & Business Scheme		An tIonad Buail Isteach	950.00
The business sector		Casey's Bar	200.00
The business sector		An Doras Dóchais	175.00
The business sector		Kazbar Ltd	290.00
The business sector		Healy's Pharmacy	317.50
The business sector		T&T Clothing	72.00
The business sector		Lawlor Partners	94.50
The business sector		Coach Road Inn	23.50
The business sector		Orbit Security Ltd	1,000.00
The business sector		Gibson & Associates	1,000.00
The business sector		Unique Creative Enterprises	500.00
The business sector		Craic Pots	294.55
		Subtotal	<u>4,917.05</u>

Section	Subsection	Project Title	To be written-off £STG
Community & Business Schemes		Craobh Naomh Pádraig	89.55
Community & Business Schemes		Cumann Gaelach Leath Chathail	85.84
Community & Business Schemes		Conradh na Gaeilge Seal Spraoi	5.09
Community & Business Schemes		Cumann Gaelach Chnoc Ros Doire	2,428.50
Community & Business Schemes		Glór Dhún Geimhin	453.40
Corefunding (organisations)		Comhaltas Uladh 2011	0.16
The business sector		Pádraig Ó Muirigh Solicitors	325.00
		Subtotal	3,387.54

Section	Subsection	Project Title	To be written-off €
Corefunding (organisations)		FNT&Altram 2011	5,069.22
Corefunding (organisations)		FNT&Altram 2011	7,920.00
Teaching aids & resources		Ionad na dTeangacha Má Nuad	379.34
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Gaelspórt	414.98
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Ógras	380.00
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Ógras	283.28
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Ógras	657.85
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Ógras	164.00

Youth	Organise youth clubs	Ógras	371.05
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Ógras	529.40
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Gaelscoil Bhríde	272.30
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Ógras	2,239.00
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Ógras	32.93
3 rd level bursary	Training colleges	Coláiste Phádraig Droim C	236.07
3 rd level bursary	Training colleges	Coláiste Phadraig Droim C	3,000.00
3 rd level bursary	Training colleges	Coláiste Mhuire, Marino	1,155.00
3 rd level bursary	Training colleges	Coláiste Oideachais Froebel	400.00
Subtotal			<u>23,504.42</u>

Section	Subsection	Project Title	To be written-off £STG
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Club Óige Setanta	940.75
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Cumann Ait Thi Chathail	772.91
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Bunscoil Bheanna Boirche	3,260.00
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Carrick Primary School	400.00
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Cairde Cheathrú na Gaeltachta	24.00
Youth	Organise youth clubs	St. Mary's Primary School	1,565.00
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Club Óige Setanta	2,015.00
		Club Óige Setanta	

Youth	Organise youth clubs		1,280.10
Youth	Organise youth clubs	St. Mary's Primary School	719.03
Youth	Organise youth clubs	Cairde Gaelscoil na Móna	181.10
Subtotal			11,157.89

Section	Subsection	Project Title	To be written-off
			€
CNLG Publishing	Publishers Scheme 08	Comhar	1,000.00
CNLG Publishing	Publishers Scheme 08	Páistí Press	2,900.00
CNLG Writing	The Commission Scheme 06	Cló Iar-Chonnachta 06	1,000.00
CNLG Writing	The Commission Scheme 06	Leabhar Breac	2,000.00
CNLG Writing	The mentor scheme	Dermot Somers oide do Shéan Fe	235.00
CNLG Writing	The mentor scheme	Gabriel Rosenstock oide do FNM	350.00
CNLG Writing	The mentor scheme	B Ní Mhóráin	230.55
CNLG Writing	The mentor scheme	Gabriel Rosenstock Oide do SBÓS	12.00
CNLG Writing	The mentor scheme	Alan Titley oide do M Ó Meara	350.00
CNLG Writing	The mentor scheme	Tadhg Mac Dhonnagáin Oide do L	350.00
CNLG Other Grants	Festivals	An Comhdháil Meiriceánach	500.00
CNLG Other Grants	Festivals	Foilsíú Éireann	40,000.00
CNLG Other Grants	Festivals	Oireachtas na Gaeilge	4,000.00
CNLG Other Grants	Organisations	Oidhreacht Chorca Dhuibhne	150.00

CNLG Other Grants	Literary projects	Roinn na Gaeilge, Coláiste Phádraig	642.20
CNLG Other Grants	Literary projects	Ionad Litríochta an Deiscirt	60.00
Subtotal			53,779.75

Section	Subsection	Project Title	To be written-off €
Colmcille grant	Colmcille grant	Coláiste na hOllscoile BÁC	288.58
Colmcille grant	Colmcille grant	Scoil na Gaeilge UCD	159.93
Colmcille grant	Colmcille grant	Scoil Cheoil an Earraigh	1,580.42
Colmcille grant	Colmcille grant	Ceiliúradh an Bhlascaoid	219.39
Colmcille grant	Colmcille grant	Na Macallaí	4,000.00
Subtotal			6,248.32

Section	Subsection	Project Title	To be written-off £STG
Colmcille cost	Colmcille £ grant	Armagh Pipers Club	24.07
Colmcille cost	Colmcille £ grant	Cló Ollscoil na Ríona	582.61
Colmcille cost	Colmcille £ grant	Ionad Chalum Chille Íle	956.00
Colmcille cost	Colmcille £ grant	Cumann Gaelach Ghlor na	335.00
Colmcille cost	Colmcille £ grant	Ógras an Chaistil	4,208.00

Colmcille cost	Colmcille £ grant	Forbairt Feirste	950.00
Colmcille cost	Colmcille £ grant	Queens University Belfast	1,342.45
Colmcille cost	Colmcille £ grant	Pobal	<u>10.91</u>
		Subtotal	<u><u>8,409.04</u></u>
		Total € Grants to be written-off for FNAG, CNLG & CC	€ 88,449.54
		Total £ Grants to be written-off for FNAG, CNLG & CC	£22,954.47

Information notes – Changes of Plans 2011

Leabhar Breac

(Total grant approved: : €53,000; monetary value of the change: c. €2,701)

More copies of the book *Bodach an Chóta Lachna* were printed (3,000 instead of 2,000), therefore the production costs were higher. *Scéal Ghearóid Iarla* was slightly more costly than anticipated also. Funding was transferred from the section ‘expenditure development’ to ‘production’ in order to facilitate this. Not all the anticipated development work took place.

Comhar

(Total grant approved: €25,250; monetary value of the change : c.€3,000)

No development work will take place this year and not as much of the marketing work as anticipated will take place. A reduction in book sales is anticipated. Due to these changes, €1,000 of the grant is to be written-off.

Coiscéim

(Total grant approved: €135,500; monetary value of the change : c.€1,500)

27 books removed from the plan and 21 books added to it. The development work anticipated for 2011 will not take place – the funding received for this will be put towards other production costs to cover the increase in these costs.

Éabhlóid

(Total grant approved: €11,000; monetary value of the change c. €540)

More work to be done on the book therefore a rise in production costs to incur. The planned marketing work will not take place now – funding provided for marketing costs put towards production costs.

Information notes – Changes of Plans 2012

Leabhar Breac

(Total grant approved: €50,500; monetary value of the change : c. €7,000)
5 books removed from the plan and one book added. Slight reduction in the development costs expected.

LeabhairCOMHAR

(Total grant approved: €24,000; monetary value of the change : c.€3,000)
9 books removed from the plan and 2 books added to it. An increase in marketing costs.

Futa Fata

(Total grant approved €67,000)
5 books removed from the plan.

Cló Iar-Chonnacht

(Total grant approved: €169,500)
4 books removed from the plan.

Móinín

(Total grant approved: €44,400)
1 book removed from the plan.

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04.104 EXPENDITURE REPORT UNTIL 31st MARCH 2012 AND REVISED BUDGET UNTIL 31st DECEMBER 2012

The Finance and IT Programme Programme Manager joined the meeting and she distributed an updated version of the expenditure report and it was discussed. The Board accepted the expenditure report and the amended version. The Finance and IT Programme Programme Manager left the meeting at this point.

02.104 RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE GRANTS COMMITTEE

S. Mac Donncha, T. Sharkey and S. Ó Coinn left the meeting due to the possibility of a risk of conflict of interest.

Project title	Organisation	Amount requested
2012 Corefunding	Conradh na Gaeilge for the project 'Seachtain na Gaeilge'	€25,000

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant no greater than €19,965 be paid to Conradh na Gaeilge for the project 'Seachtain na Gaeilge' for the period 01 January – 31 March 2012 only.

The Board Chairperson informed the Board that himself and other board members had received correspondence from Seachtain na Gaeilge. The issue was discussed and staff were asked to relook at the case made by Conradh na Gaeilge.

Project title	Organisation
2012 Corefunding	Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge

The Board accepted the request that Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge's grant profile be amended.

Project title	Organisation	Amount requested
2012 Corefunding	Gael Linn	€344,138

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant of €338,142 be provided for Gael Linn for the first six months of 2012 as total corefunding approved for the year 2012.

The Board noted the information note regarding the changes in Clár na Leabhar Gaeilge's plans.

The pre-school fund was discussed and it was agreed that it would be continued in the North. The Board accepted the recommendations for the fund and it was agreed that further criteria would be added and discussed with relevant parties so that nurseries and daytime minding services would be included in the South. The recommendations will be discussed at the Grants Committee and by the Board.

S. Mac Donncha, T. Sharkey and S. Ó Coinn returned at this point.

03.104 REPORT FROM FORAS COMMITTEES

The Dictionary Committee

It was reported that a presentation on the work of the dictionary took place at the first Committee meeting and that it was agreed that another presentation be made at the Board meeting of the 25th of May 2012. An amended version of the dictionary's recommendations was distributed and the Board accepted the following recommendations:

- That 35,000 sense units from the online version be published at the end of the current year;
- That permission be given to extend the appropriate employee's contracts from the Sponsor Departments;
- That a three year extension be given to the project within the current budget;
- That the printed version be set aside until the year 2012, within the current budget.

A copy of a comprehensive report on the work of the dictionary was distributed as information for the Board.

It was reported that the President, Michael D. Higgins, accepted the invitation to launch the dictionary in Dublin on the 24th January 2013.

The Audit Committee

It was reported that a meeting of the Audit Committee took place before the accounts were provided for the Comptroller and Auditor General. The Programme Manager was praised for the work done on the Accounts and for the presentation given to the Audit Committee.

09.104 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

- That there was ón-going discussion with Publishing Ireland about the funding of Leabhar Power.

L. Ó Maolmhichíl
Chairperson
25 May 2012

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Apologies: L. Kennedy, C. Cavanagh, F. Mac an Fhailigh (Chief Executive) and M. Ó Ríordáin.

The Chairperson welcomed É. Ó Gribín, a new board member, to his first Board meeting.

01.105 MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING FROM

The minutes were discussed. M. Mac Ruairí raised a question about the term of [contract of] Stillwater Communications and proposed that permission be sought from the Departments to employ someone [in-house] for PR work. E. Mac Cormaic mentioned a sum of €8,027 listed for Stillwater Communications and proposed that such information be provided in advance in cases where a company would receive more than the amount mentioned in their contract.

The Director of Development Services sought Board approval to pay an additional sum of €1,602.35 to Stillwater Communications for their facilitation at the public meetings organised as part of the consultation process. The Board approved the payment.

02.105 REPORT FROM FORAS NA GAEILGE's COMMITTEES

The Grants Committee

The Chairperson left the meeting due to the possibility of a risk of conflict of interest and E. Mac Cormaic took to the chair.

The Theatre Companies Scheme 2012 was discussed and the Board accepted all of the recommendations. (Appendix 1)

Title	Amount requested	Recommended Amount
Aisling Ghéar	£58,000	£55,000

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant no greater than £55,000 be provided for Aisling Ghéar for costs pertaining to their 2012 work programme.

The Chairperson returned at this point and took to the chair again.

Questions were raised regarding the geographical spread of the grants under this scheme and whether there could be a way of encouraging applications from areas that have not yet sent submissions. It was reported that the categories of the schemes would be reviewed in autumn. It was advised that it be reported to the applicants in

the information sent to them next year that grants can be requested from district councils for summer camps.

An Coiste Iniúchta

Information is not disclosed here as it is deemed exempt information under Part 1 Section 2 and under Part 2 Sections, 2, 9 and 10 of the Code of Practice for Freedom of Information.

The Newspaper and Magazines Committee

The Board accepted the recommendation that a year extension be given to Oideas Gael's current contract (until 31st December 2013) for their Irish Language Online Magazine www.beo.ie and with the recommendation that a grant no greater than €70,000 be provided for that period.

04.105 EXPENDITURE REPORT UNTIL 30th APRIL 2012 AND REVISED BUDGET UNTIL 31st DECEMBER 2012

The Finance and IT Programme Manager joined the meeting. The Board accepted the expenditure report and the amended budget. The Finance and IT Programme Manager left the meeting at this point.

05.105 INFORMATION NOTE REGARDING GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Board noted the information note regarding grant applications.

Liam Ó Maolmhichíl
Chairperson
29 June 2012

The Theatre Companies Scheme 2012

Announced: November 2011

Deadline: 31/1/2012

Budget: €260,000

This scheme focuses on Irish Language Theatre Companies whose objective is to cultivate, develop theatre through the Irish Language, and to provide this for the arts sector and the Irish Language community, for the public, and for the education sector.

Scheme Criteria:

1. Subject of drama, number of productions and place of production, imagination and innovation of the companies work programme
2. High artistic standards achieved in regards scripts/the actors/the productions
3. Add to cooperation and creativity in the Irish Language through the medium of art

Number of submissions received by 31/01/12: 11 submissions

Number of submissions to be approved: 11 submissions

Total of submissions recommended: €259,947

1. Ababú
2. Aisling Ghéar
3. Axis
4. Graffiti
5. Fíbín
6. Splódar
7. Moonfish
8. Branar
9. Opus Eile
10. Team Educational Theatre Co.
11. Mouth on Fire

The Theatre Companies Scheme 2012

Company Name	Requested amount: 2012	Recommended amount for grant: in 2012	Approved amount: in 2011
Ababú	£16,800	£13,250 €15,229	£12,000
Aisling Ghéar	£58,000	£55,000 €63,218	£58,000
Axis	€22,000	€18,000	€18,000
Graffiti	€27,368	€25,000	€24,000
Fibín	€40,000	€37,000	€28,000
Splóðar	€31,400	€29,500	€23,000
Moonfish	€4,500	€4,000	€4,000
Branar	€46,35.0	€30,000	€28,000
Opus Eile	€30,000	€15,000	new
TEAM Educational Theatre Company	€24,405	€15,500	new
Mouth On Fire Theatre Company	€7,500	€7,500	new

The Summer Camps Scheme, 2012

Announced: January 2012

Deadline: 21/03/2012

Budget: €198,278

The aim of this scheme is to provide funding for Summer Camps through the Irish Language for young people (3-18 years of age) where it is their objective to promote the Irish Language through a variety of events, in an enjoyable and safe context.

Scheme Criteria:

1. Funding up to €5,000/£3,500 is provided for any applicant, who is not an organisation already receiving corefunding from Foras na Gaeilge and who is outside the Gaeltacht.
2. This is a not-for-profit scheme to keep the participants fees low.
3. That opportunities for speaking and learning the Irish Language will be increased for young people, through organising different enjoyable events.

Number of submissions received by 21/03/2012: **99 submissions**

Number of submissions to be approved: **66 submissions**

Total of submissions recommended: **€198,278**

Company Name	Title of Camp	Recommended amount €	Recommended amount £stg
An Clár as Gaeilge	"Scléip an tSamhraidh"	3,000.00	
Ballymana Irish Camp	Campa Gaeilge, Campa Spraoi	5,000.00	
Campa Chormaic	Campa Chormaic Co. Aontroma		3,500.00
Campa Chormaic Co. Thír Eoghain	Campa Chormaic Seachtain 1		3,500.00
Campa Chormaic Co. Thír Eoghain	Campa Chormaic Seachtain 2		3,500.00
Conradh na Gaeilge, Boirche Íochtar	Scoil Samhraidh Bhoirche Íochtair 2012		3,500.00
Gaelphobal na Lorgan	Campa Samhraidh 2012		3,500.00
Croí Éanna	Campa Samhraidh Croí Éanna		3,500.00
Ionad Uíbh Eachach	Ionad Uíbh Eachach Scéim Samhraidh		3,500.00
Old Coolattin Country Ltd.	Campa Samhraidh Carn an Bhua	5,000.00	
Coiste Campa Chormaic Dhoire	Campa Chormaic Dhoire		3,500.00
Craobh na hAchréidh, Conradh na Gaeilge	Campa Samhraidh Corrafinne	2,120.00	
Craobh na hAchréidh, Conradh na Gaeilge	Campa Samhraidh Leacaigh	2,100.00	
Glór Uachtar Tíre	Scéim Spraoi Uachtar Tíre		3,500.00
Mayobridge Community Centre	Mayobridge Irish summer camp		3,500.00
CAIRDE Teo	Campa Mhacha		3,500.00
Campa na gCrann	Cumann Iarscoil na gCrann		3,018.00
Glór Breifne	Glór Breifne Campa 1	2,670.00	
Glór Breifne	Glór Breifne Campa 2	1,970.00	

Ógras	Gaelscoil Mhic Amhlaigh	1,915.50	
Ógras	Gaelscoil Mhic Amhlaigh 2	1,915.50	
Gaelscoil Eadaoin Mhóir	Campa Dhoire		2,866.00
Balbriggan Youth Service	Gaeltacht sa Bhrigín	5,000.00	
Coiste Forbartha Charn Tóchair	Coláiste Charn Tóchair		3,500.00
Conradh na Gaeilge	Seal Spraoi		1,810.00
Gaelscoil Bhríde	Taitneamh Is Taithí	1,951.00	
Bunscoil an Traonaigh	Campa Samhraidh - Bunscoil an Traonaigh		3,165.00
Craobh Béal Átha na Muice de Chonradh na Gaeilge	Béal Átha na Muice	4,020.00	
Milford Community Youth Project	Campa Samhraidh Baile na nGallógach	4,630.00	
Ballyholland PS	Campa Cholmáin 2012		3,500.00
Cairde Ghleann Darach	Campa Samhraidh Ghleann Darach (5-8 y/o)		2,290.95
Cairde Ghleann Darach	Campa Samhraidh Ghleann Darach (8-12 y/o)		2,877.05
Cairde Ghleann Darach	Campa Samhraidh Ghleann Darach (3-4 y/o)		2,373.98
Cairdeas Eoghain	Seal Spraoi		3,500.00
Club Óige Setanta	Campa Samhraidh 2012		3,486.00
Culladine	Bealach an Doirín	2,600.00	
Cumann Cultúrtha Mhic Reachtain	Campa Samhraidh Mhic Reachtain 2012		3,470.00
Gaelfhínise	Preab	4,309.00	
Greencastle Youth Club	Óige Mhuintir Luinigh 2		3,476.00
Ógras	Tamhlachta	1,845.00	
Ógras	Léim an Bhradáin	1,827.00	
Ógras	Nás na Ríogh 1	1,787.00	
Ógras	Baile na Manach 1	1,670.00	
Ógras	Baile na Manach 2	1,787.00	

Ógras	An Chúlóg	1,845.00	
Ógras	Sórd 1	1,625.00	
Ógras	Sórd 2	1,661.00	
Ógras	Sórd 3	1,692.00	
Ógras	Nás na Ríogh 2	1,798.00	
Ógras	Campa Samhraidh Bhun Cranncha	3,030.00	
Ógras	Campa Samhraidh Éirne	2,565.00	
Ógras	Campa Samhraidh na Cheithre Máistrí	2,481.00	
Ógras	Uachtar Ard	1,689.50	
Ógras	An Clochan	2,065.50	
An Droichead	Campa Samhraidh de Dheisceart agus Oirthear Bhéal Feirste 2012 (b)		3,490.00
An Droichead	Campa Samhraidh de Dheisceart agus Oirthear Bhéal Feirste 2012 (a)		3,490.00
Grathaine na Cnoc (Hurling Club)	Campaí Samhraidh Grathaine na Cnoc		1,830.00
Naomh Lorcán Ó Tuatháil CLG	Coláiste Naomh Lorcán Ó Tuatháil		3,500.00
Coláiste Bhlinne	Coláiste Bhlinne		2,500.00
Glinsk Community Childcare Ltd.	Campa Caisleán Óir	1,435.00	
Ógras	Biorra 1	2,033.00	
Ógras	Biorra 2	2,188.00	
Ógras	Biorra 3	2,122.00	
Ógras	Ragnallach	1,810.00	
Ógras	Cill Daingin	1,810.00	
Gaeilge Locha Riach	Campa Locha Riach	2,825.00	
		€91,792	£92,642.98 €106,486.18

Total Recommended: €198,278

Minutes from the 106th Board Meeting of Foras na Gaeilge held on Friday 29th June 2012 in the Court Hotel, Gaoth Dobhair.

Present: L. Ó Maolmhichíl (Chairperson), E. Mac Cormaic (Deputy-Chairperson), T. Ruane, T. Sharkey, D. Ó hAiniféin, S. Mac Donncha, M. Mac Ruairí, L. Kennedy, B. Ní Chonghóile, T. Mac Eochagáin, S. M. Ó Domhnaill, P. Callaghan and É. Ó Gribín.

In attendance: F. Mac an Fhailigh (Chief Executive) S. Ó Coinn (Deputy-Chief Executive), É. Ó hArgáin (Secretary), J. Ó Labhraí and S. Uí Choinne.

Apologies: Á. Ní Chiaráin, C. Ní Shúilleabháin, C. Cavanagh and M. Ó Ríordáin.

02.106 REPORT FROM FORAS NA GAEILGE's COMMITTEES

Grants Committee

E. Mac Cormaic, S. Mac Donncha, M. Mac Ruairí, T. Sharkey, É. Ó Gribín and S. Ó Coinn left the meeting due to the possibility of a risk of conflict of interest.

The core-funded organisations were discussed and it was mentioned that there were four organisations that were not adhering to the current circular on salary. It was agreed that they should be made aware that Foras na Gaeilge's funding for the core-funded organisations would be based on that circular and that additional funding would not be given to the organisations to allow them to pay salaries in excess of those set out in Circular 28/2009. The Board accepted the following recommendations regarding the 2012/2013 core-funding:

Organisation	Total maximum amount approved – July 2012 to June 2013	2012 Profile	2013 Profile
FNT/Altram	€1,206,829	€473,413	€733,416
An t-Áisaonad	£322,460	£134,514	£187,946
Comhar na Múinteoirí Gaeilge	€194,372	€93,181	€101,191
Comhluadar	€215,843	€110,172	€105,671
Cumann na bhFiann	€457,895	€229,198	€228,697
Gael Linn	€658,963	€291,059	€367,904
Gaelscoileanna	€432,512	€220,462	€12,050
Raidió na Life	€214,728	€106,834	€107,894
Comhaltas Uladh	£74,667	£37,333	£37,334
Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge	€606,684	€303,337	€303,347
Comhlachas Naisiúnta Drámaíochta	€199,300	€88,025	€111,275
Conradh na Gaeilge	€28,163	€66,412	€61,751
Forbairt Feirste	£108,917	£55,708	£53,209
Glór na nGael	€15,366	€38,182	€77,184
Iontaobhas Ultach	£195,520	£97,593	£97,927

Oireachtas na Gaeilge	€457,759	€248,329	€209,430
POBAL	£167,608	£84,052	£83,556
Raidió Fáilte	£99,564	£50,382	£49,182

Amended budget to be approved

The Board accepted the amended budget for Gaelscoileanna (**Appendix 1**).

E. Mac Cormaic, S. Mac Donncha, M. Mac Ruairí, T. Sharkey, É. Ó Gribín and S. Ó Coinn returned at this point.

The Board accepted the recommendations regarding the 2012 Festivals Scheme (**Appendix 2**).

L. Kennedy joined the meeting.

Name	Amount requested	Recommended amount
Oideas Gael	€6,000	€6,000

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant no greater than €6,000 be provided for Oideas Gael for scholarships for young adults.

Name	Amount requested	Recommended amount
Naíscoil Cholmcille	£76,000	£76,000

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant no greater than £76,000 be provided for Naíscoil Cholmcille over the schoolyear 2012/2013 and 2013/2014. (£22,668 in 2012, £32,000 in 2013 and £21,332 in 2014)

Name	Amount requested	Recommended amount
East Belfast Mission	£48,079	£41,979

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant no greater than £41,979 be provided for the East Belfast Mission for the project 'Awakening Our Shared Heritage'. (£14,000 i 2012 agus £27,979 i 2013)

The Board noted the information note regarding Áisaonad and Altram.

The Colmcille Committee

It was reported that the Colmcille budget was still unknown. The Board accepted all of the recommendations regarding the grant applications (**Appendix 3**).

The Development Committee

The Committee Chairperson reported on the current state of the rationalisation for the core-funded sector. The New Funding Model was discussed and it was agreed by the Board that the Model would not be proceeded with and that different models for funding combining the direction given by the North South Ministerial Council, with the recommendations that emerged from the consultation on the New Funding Model, would now be looked at. It was agreed that a press release would be sent out about it directly after the meeting. He explained that the Board's input would be welcomed to guide the Committee. It was explained that a report was received from 'Seirbhísí

Pleanála Teanga' on the public consultation but that the Committee did not have the opportunity to discuss it yet. A question was raised regarding whether the Board could see it prior to its online publication and it was stated that they could, and that it would be distributed by email.

03.106 EXPENDITURE REPORT UNTIL THE 31st MAY 2012 AND THE AMENDED BUDGET UNTIL 31st DECEMBER 2012

The Board accepted the expenditure report until 31st May 2012 and the amended budget until 31st December 2012.

04.106 INFORMATION NOTE REGARDING GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Board noted the information note regarding grant applications.

Minutes from the Foras na Gaeilge closed session on 29th June 2012

The Board authorised the Chairperson and the Deputy-Chairperson to sign a bill for a lawyer on behalf of the Board.

Liam Ó Maolmhichíl
Chairperson
27 July 2012

Amendment to be approved

Organisation: Gaelscoileanna
Project Title: 2012 Corefunding

At a board meeting on 02 December 2011, a grant no greater than **€218,298** was approved for Gaelscoileanna for the period from 01 January 2012 to 30 June 2012.

Amendment

Here is the final budget amendment for Gaelscoileanna as approved on the 02/12/11:

	Recommended € (01 January to 30 June 2012)	Recommended amendment € May 2012
Salary		
<i>Higher Executive (APO, Sept 2008)</i>	47,730	47,730
<i>Deputy Higher Executive (HEO, Sept. 2008)</i>	34,765	36,267
<i>Development Officer (EO, Sept 2008)</i>	14,304	14,922
<i>Officer (EO, Sept 2008)</i>	23,049	23,049
<i>Office Secretary (CO, Sept 2008)</i>	20,704	20,704
Subtotal	140,552	142,672
Current cost		
General current costs	35,421	35,421
Travel & Subsistence	10,000	10,000
Subtotal	45,421	45,421
Events / Projects		
Interschool events	10,000	10,000
'Scléip'	13,200	13,200
Support for schools / Grants for Founding Schools	0	0
Support for Founding Committees	4,000	4,000
Annual Conference	0	0
Early Immersion Workshop	1,125	1,125
CAER Conference	0	0
Regional Support Structure	1,000	1,000
Joint project with FNT ('An Traein')	3,000	3,000
Subtotal	32,325	32,325

Total	218,298	220,418

Information regarding requested amendment:

Pension contributions at a rate of 5% for each employee was approved in the organisation, although 10% was requested for two employees when the application was submitted. The question was thoroughly discussed with the organisation and it was arranged that the 10% contributions would be paid – an additional €2,120 – to the organisation so that they can fulfill their obligations as employers.

Recommendation:

It is recommended that this amendment be approved.

Appendix 2

Report from the Grants Committee to the Board of Foras na Gaeilge

2012 Festivals Scheme

Announced: December 2011

Deadline : 29 February 2012

Funding Criteria:

This scheme focuses on festivals whose objective is to cultivate and promote the Irish Language arts, traditional arts and Irish Language heritage through the Irish Language medium or through bilingualism, as a major part in the festival, and to provide an international platform, for the Irish Language public, for the general public and for the art sector.

Criteria for Scheme:

1. (a) Subject of festival, number of and appeal of the Irish Language events
(b) Imagination and innovation of the festival organisers work programme,
(b) Number of participants.
2. To promote the use of the Irish Language in the context of the traditional arts through recitation, singing, storytelling, story reading, puppetry, drama, film and literature, to cultivate new artists.
3. Use of the Irish Language on the festival programme and on the festivals advertising matter.

Distribution:	€176.153
Number of submissions received:	63
Number of submissions to be approved:	59
Total recommended amount:	€176,064

Applicant	Festival	Grant sought	Grant given - 2011	Recommended grant – 2012	Recommended grant –2012
				€	£
Alliance Francaise	Franco-Irish Literary Festival	€2,000	€2,000	2,000	
Áras Éanna	Féilte Áras Éanna 2012	€5,000	€3,000	2,500	
An Droichead	Féile an Droichead	£7,980	£4,000		£4,500 (€5,172)
An Gaeláras (Scoil Samhraidh Cholm Cille	Scoil Samhraidh Cholm Cille	£18,000	£7,000		£8,000 (€9,195)
Babaró	Babaró	€10,000	€5,000	5,000	
Baffle	Baffle	€2,000	€2,000	1,500	
Blas International Summer School of Irish Traditional Music & Dance	Blas International Summer School of Irish Traditional Music & Dance	€5,000	Nua	3,000	
Cup of Tae Festival	Cup of Tae Festival	€2,000	€2,000 (2010)	2,000	
Cumann Cultúrtha Mhic Reachtain	Scoil Mhic Reachtain	£7,820.	£4,000		£4,500 (€5,172)

Cúirt Féile Idirnáisiúnta Litríochta	Cúirt – Féile Idirnáisiúnta Litríochta	€2,000	€2,000	2,000	
Cumann Merriman	Scoil Merriman	€7,500	Nua	3,000	
Celtic Media Arts Festival	Celtic Media Festival	£3,650	£5,000 (2010)		£3,000 (€3,448)
Craobh Chlann Lir	Féile an Fhómhair	€3,000	€2,000	1,500	
Éigse Dhún Lúiche	Éigse Dhún Lúiche	€4,000	Nua	2,000	
Éigse Sheamúis Uí Mhaoldomhnaigh - Oidhreacht an Chaisleáin	Éigse Shéamúis Uí Mhaoldomhaigh – Oidhreacht an Chaisleáin	€7,342.50	Nua	2,500	
Féile Scoildrámaíocht Uladh	Féile Scoildrámaíocht Uladh	€2,500	Nua	1,500	
Féile Meiriceá Laidineach	Féile Meiriceá Laidineach	€2,000	€1,000	1,000	
Féile na hInse	Féile na hInse	€3,000	€3,000	3,000	
Féile Chois Cuain	Féile Chois Cuain	€2,500	€2,000	2,000	
Féile Thorai	Féile na mBoscaí	€1,785	Nua	1,000	
Féile an Iúir	Féile an Iúir	£700	£2,000		£700 (€805)
Féile na Bealtaine	Féile na Bealtaine	€10,000	Nua	5,000	
Féile Pan-Cheilteach	Féile Pan-Cheilteach	€15,000	€12,000	12,000	

Féile Scoildrámaíocht na Gaillimhe	Féile Scoildrámaíocht na Gaillimhe	€2,500	Nua	2,000	
Féile Scoildrámaíocht an Chláir	Féile Scoildrámaíocht an Chláir	€1,500	€1,500	1,500	
Féile Joe Einniú	Féile Joe Einniú	€2,000	€1,000	2,000	
Féile Nasca	Féile Nasca	£520	Nua		£500 (€575)
Féile Uí Chearúlláin	Féile Uí Chearúlláin	€5,000	€3,000	1,000	
Féile an Phatrúin	Féile an Phatrúin	€1,500	Nua	1,000	
Féile Charn Tóchair	Féile Charn Tóchair	£5,950	Nua		£4,000 (€4,598)
Féile Uí Chonaire – Ionad Scribhneoirí Chaitlín Maude	Féile Uí Chonaire – Ionad Scribhneoirí Chaitlín Maude	€8,000	€3,000	2,000	
Féile na Locha	Féile na Locha	€5,000	€3,000	1,000	
Féile Bia Phort Láirge	Féile Bia Phort Láirge	€2,900	€2,000	2,000	
Féile Chroí Chaisléan an Bharraigh (Castlebar Chamber	Féile Chroí Chaisléan an Bharraigh	€3,000	Nua	1,500	

of Commerce)					
Féile an Domhain Eile (Glór na nGael)	Féile an Domhain Eile	€3,300	Nua	1,000	
Galway Fringe Festival	Galway Fringe Festival	€4,000	Nua	3,000	
GaelFest Ard Eoin (Glór an Tuaiscirt)	GaelFest Ard Eoin	£9,960	£5,000		£5,000 (€5,747)
Imram	Imram	€2,800	€15,000	18,000	
John Healy Memorial Weekend	John Healy Memorial Weekend	€888.39	€1,500 (2010)	725	
Ionad Ealaíona Iorrras (Féile na bPáistí)	Féile na bPáistí)	€5,293	€3,000	3,500	
Kilkenny Arts Festival	Kilkenny Arts Festival	€6,000	Nua	1,000	
Na Macallaí	Ceol Cé	€5,000	€3,000	2,500	
Loinneog Lúnasa (Féile Cheoil Ghaoth Dobhair)	Féile Cheoil Ghaoth Dobhair	€6,500	€4,000	3,000	
Mayo International Choral Festival	Mayo International Choral Festival	€3,359.50	Nua	1,000	

Navan Choral Festival	Navan Choral Festival	€5,000	€2,000	2,000	
Open House Festival	Open House Festival	£8,740.00	£6,000		£6,000 (€6,897)
Patrún an Oirghialla (Gaeltacht Oirdheiscirt Uladh)	Patrún an Oirghialla	£1,000	Nua		£1,000 (€1,149)
Picnic Thraidisiúnta	Picnic Thraidisiúnta	€6,314.55	Nua	2,500	
Scoil Samhraidh Acla	Scoil Samhraidh Acla	€5,000	2,500	2,000	
Scríbhneoirí Lios Tuathail	Scríbhneoirí Lios Tuathail	€1,500	1,500	1,500	
Sean- Nós Cois Life	Sean- Nós Cois Life	€2,000	€1,500	1,500	
Scoil Samhraidh Willie Clancy	Scoil Samhraidh Willie Clancy	€5,000	€4,500	4,500	
Scoil Samhraidh an Dúin	Scoil Samhraidh an Dúin	£5,865	Nua		£3,900 (€4,483)
Samhain Abhainn	Samhain Abhainn	€4,000	€4,000	3,000	

(Ballina Chamber of Commerce)					
Siamsa Sráide	Siamsa Sráide	€2,445	€2,000 (2010)	2,000	
Willie Keane Memorial Weekend	Willie Keane Memorial Weekend	€4,000	€2,500	2,000	
Westport Shop 'n Spraoi na Nolag	Shop 'n Spraoi na Nolag	€3,000	€3,000	2,000	
Westport Arts Festival	Westport Arts Festival	€6,000	Nua	1,000	
18th William Kennedy Piping Festival	18th William Kennedy Piping Festival	£6,330	£4,000		£4,000 (€4,598)

Appendix 3

Foras na Gaeilge

Foras meeting: 29th June 2012
Section: 2(2)

A Colmcille Joint Committee took place on 11/12 June 2012. The following applications were discussed and the Joint Committee recommended the following decisions (below):

Chaidh coinneamh de Cho-chomataidh Cholmcille a chumail air 11/12 An t-Og mhios 2012. Chaidh deasbad air na h-iarrtasan a leanas agus mhol a' Cho-chomataidh na cinn gu h-ìosal:

Éire – Thuaidh Èirinn a Tuath

Name	Amount requested Sùm air iarraidh	Recommended amount Sùm air a mholadh	2012	2013
Gaelscoil na bhFál	£1,805	£1,805	£1,805	£0
Armagh Pipers	£3,620	£3,620	£2,620	£1,000
Tonnta	£3,500	£3,500	£2,500	£1,000
Pobal	£2,918	£1,785	£1,785	£0
(Ollscoil Uladh) Institute for Irish and Celtic Studies	£10,253	£5,250	£5,250	£0
Ariel Killick	£2,300	£2,300	£2,300	£0
(Ollscoil Uladh) Institiúid Taighde Léann na Gaeilge is na Ceiltise	£3,560	£3,560	£2,560	£1,000
Total	£27,956	£21,820	£19,820	£3,000

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Éire – Theas Éirinn a Deas

Name	Amount requested Sùm air iarraidh	Recommended amount Sùm air a mholadh	2012	2013
Cumann Lúthchleas Gael	€15,000	€6,000	€6,000	€0
Leabhar Breac	€5,000	€5,000	€5,000	€0
Glór na nGael	€3,700	€3,700	€0	€3,700
Coláiste na hOllscoile BÁC	€2,000	€2,000	€0	€2,000
Scoil Shéamus Ennis	€8,000	€2,500	€1,250	€1,250
Coláiste na hOllscoile BÁC	€580	€580	€580	€0
Comh. Náisiúnta na Gaeilge	€5,300	€5,300	€2,650	€2,650
Total	€39,580	€25,080	€15,480	€9,600

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Albain, Alba

Name	Amount requested Sùm air iarraidh	Recommended amount Sùm air a mholadh	2012/13	2013/14
Sgoil MhicNeacail	£9,910	£6,000	£4,800	£1,200
Bùn Sgoil Ghàidhlig Inbhir Nis	£7,608	£5,000	£4,000	£1,000
Sgoil Sir E. Scott	£10,000	£8,500	£8,500	£0
South Lanarkshire Council	£2,000	£2,000	£2,000	£0
Fèisean nan Gà idheal	£8,700	£5,000	£4,000	£1,000
Pan Celtic Alba	£6,000	£6,000	£4,800	£1,200
Camanachd Association	£10,000	£5,000	£5,000	£0
Glasgow Life	£8,000	£5,000	£4,000	£1,000
Scotland's Churches Scheme	£4,700	£4,700	£3,760	£940
Celtic Neighbours Partnership	£10,000	£5,000	£0	£5,000
Newbattle Abbey College	£10,000	£3,500	£2,625	£875
Sgeama Sgoilearachdan	£5,000	£5,000	£5,000	£0
Total	£91,918	£60,700	£48,485	£12,215

Information is not disclosed here as it is deemed exempt information under the Code of Practice for Freedom of Information, Part 2, Sections 6 and 9.

Minutes from the 107nd Board Meeting of Foras na Gaeilge held on Friday 27th of July 2012 in the Foras na Gaeilge Headquarters, Dublin.

Present: L. Ó Maolmhichíl (Chairperson), E. Mac Cormaic (Deputy-Chairperson), T. Ruane, Á. Ní Chiaráin, T. Sharkey, D. Ó hAiniféin, S. Mac Donncha, M. Mac Ruairí, L. Kennedy, B. Ní Chonghóile, S. M. Ó Domhnaill and É. Ó Gribín.

Apologies: T. Mac Eochagáin, C. Ní Shúilleabháin, P. Callaghan and C. Cavanagh.

In attendance: F. Mac an Fhailigh (Chief Executive), J. Ó Labhraí and S. Uí Choinne.

Apologies: S. Ó Coinn (Deputy-Chief Executive), É. Ó hArgáin (Secretary) and M. Ó Ríordáin.

03.107 REPORTS FROM FORAS COMMITTEES

The Grants Committee

An ammended spreadsheet regarding 'Scéim na nImeachtaí Óige' (The Youth Events Scheme) was distributed. The Board accepted all of the recommendations regarding this scheme. (**Appendix 1**)

Organisation Name	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount
Naíscoil Shliabh Fuait	£77,500	£77,500

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant no greater than £77,500 be approved for Naíscoil Shliabh Fuait. (£23,832 in 2012, £39,000 in 2013 and £14,668 in 2014)

04.107 STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE TO 30th OF JUNE 2012 AND AMENDED BUDGET TO 31st OF DECEMBER 2012

The Finance and IT Programme Manager joined the meeting, distributing copies of the statement of expenditure and it was discussed. The Chief Executive apologised that it was not distributed until this day. It was explained that an additional €30,000 would be distributed before the end of the year and the Board was asked to provide any suggestions to the executive. The Board gave permission to the Chairperson, along with the Chief Executive, to approve amended changes to the budget in the intermediate period before the next Board meeting in September. The Board approved the amended budget. The Finance and IT Programme Manager left at this point.

Chairperson
28 September 2012

Appendix 1

Organisation Name	Event Title	Total Recommended Amount €	Recommended Amount 2012 €	Recommended Amount 2013 €	Total Recommended Amount £ stg	Recommended Amount 2012 £ stg	Recommended Amount 2013 £ stg
Grúpa Tuismitheoirí agus Tachráin	Acláí Abú! + Barr an Ranga				2,690.00	0.00	2,690.00
Glór na Móna	Cumann Óige Chluanaigh				3,500.00	1,750.00	1,750.00
Coiste Forbartha Charn Tóchair	Eachtraí na nÓg				3,448.10	1,687.10	1,761.00
Ógras an Chaistil	Club Ógras agus Club Óg-Ógras				3,500.00	2,140.00	1,360.00
Óige Mhuintir Luinigh	Óige Mhuintir Luinigh				3,500.00	1,339.00	2,161.00
Cairde Uí Néill	Afterschool Club Senior				3,500.00	1,402.00	2,098.00
Cairdeas Eoghain	Seal Spraoi				3,450.00	1,830.00	1,620.00
Conradh na Gaeilge Boirche Íochtair	An Clár Iarscoile				3,500.00	1,780.00	1,720.00
Galway Community Circus	Circus Arts Training Programme in Irish	2,160.00	0.00	2,160.00			
Ógras	Ógras an Dúin	5,000.00	3,050.00	1,950.00			
Ógras	Ógras Oirialla	3,700.00	2,700.00	1,000.00			
Ógras	Ógras agus Óg-Ógras na Carraige Móire	5,000.00	4,100.00	900.00			
Seal Spraoi	Seal Spraoi, Oileán an Ghuaill				3,320.00	1,835.00	1,485.00
Club Óige Setanta	Gaeilge sa Phobal 3				3,496.00	1,350.00	2,146.00
Cumann Iarscoil na gCrann	Cumann Iarscoile na gCrann				3,500.00	1,750.00	1,750.00

Náí-Ionad an tSléibhe Dhuibh	Cumann Ógra				3,500.00	1,750.00	1,750.00
Ógras	Club Gaelscoil Mhic Amhláigh	2,825.00	1,832.50	992.50			
Ógras	Club an Cháisléan Gearr	2,800.00	1,480.00	1,320.00			
Ógras	Óg-Ógras Dhún Géimhin	5,000.00	4,300.00	700.00			
Cumann Óige Átha an Rí	Spailpíní Óga	4,450.00	2,050.00	2,400.00			
Ionad Uíbh Eachach	Ionad Uíbh Eachach				3,500.00	1,400.00	2,100.00
St. Colman's PS and All Saint's NS	Clár Iar-scoile Chultúrtha agus Fheabhsúcháin na Gaeilge				3,200.00	1,000.00	2,200.00
Ógras	Ógras Dhéagláin	5,000.00	3,278.00	1,722.00			
Ógras	Scéim Óige Átha Cliath	3,140.00	2,085.00	1,055.00			
Ógras	Scéim Óige Chill Chainnigh	5,000.00	3,050.00	1,950.00			
Ógras	Ógras & Óg-Ógras Léim an Bhradáin	4,965.00	3,455.00	1,510.00			
Ógras	Scéim Óige Nás na Ríogh	5,000.00	3,980.00	1,020.00			
Ógras	Ógras Cineál Eoghain	4,145.00	2,895.00	1,250.00			
Tonnta Community Interest Company	Traenáil agus Forbairt Fís Fógraíochta ag Club Óige An Droichead agus Club Óige an Chlunaí				3,500.00	3,500.00	
An Droichead	Deisceart is Oirthear Bhéal Feirste: Imeachtaí Óige an Fhómhair 2012				3,226.00	3,226.00	0.00

An Droichead	Deisceart is Oirthear Bhéal Feirste: Imeachtaí Óige an Earraigh 2013				3,376.00	0.00	3,376.00
Cairde Uí Néill	Afterschool Club Junior				3,500.00	1,402.00	2,098.00
Cumann Cultúrtha Mhic Reachtain	Club Óige (Ceardlann Gailge)				3,290.00	1,645.00	1,645.00
Gaelscoil Éanna	Cumann Iarscoile Éanna				3,500.00	1,750.00	1,750.00
Junior Galway Film Fleadh	Drama and Storytelling Workshop as Gaeilge	3,000.00	1,500.00	1,500.00			
An Gaeláras LTD	Tús le Teanga is Cultúr 2				1,990.00	982.00	1,008.00
An Gaeláras LTD	Tús le Teanga is Cultúr 3				1,990.00	982.00	1,008.00
Club Óige Setanta	Déagóirí Le Chéile 3				3,500.00	911.00	2,589.00
Ógras	Club Báinmhór	2,900.00	1,780.00	1,120.00			
An Gaeláras LTD	Léann Do Dhéagóirí				3,300.00	1,480.00	1,820.00
Athboy No name! Club	Drama/Comedy/ Singing	1,150.00	1,150.00	0.00			
Bunscoil Ard Naomh Caitríona	Club na nÓg				3,500.00	1,140.00	2,360.00
Cairde na Gaelscoile (Naíscóil Éadain Mhóir)	Cairde Beaga				3,500.00	1,750.00	1,750.00
Ógras	Club Leacaigh	2,800.00	1,680.00	1,120.00			
Ógras	Club Uachtar Árd	2,800.00	1,715.00	1,085.00			
Ógras	Óg-Ógras na hÓmaí	4,900.00	4,000.00	900.00			
Caisleán Óir, Glinsk Community Childcare	Cumann Caisleán Óir	4,900.00	2,450.00	2,450.00			
Seirbhísí d'Aos Óg Mainéir Eoin	All Amuigh	4,585.00	4,585.00				
Club Óige na Carraige	Club Óige na				3,500.00	1,750.00	1,750.00

Móire	Carraige Móire						
Óg-Ógras Bhaile Uí Thaidhg	Rith agus Forbairt an Chlub	2,540.00	1,090.00	1,450.00			
Óg-Ógras Chaisleán Nua Thiar	Rith agus Forbairt an Chlub	2,010.00	970.00	1,040.00			
Óg-Ógras Chluain Meala	Rith agus Forbairt an Chlub	1,990.00	950.00	1,040.00			
Óg-Ógras Oileán Chiarraí	Rith agus Forbairt an Chlub	1,820.00	830.00	990.00			
Óg-Ógras Thrá Lí	Rith agus Forbairt an Chlub	2,538.00	1,088.00	1,450.00			
Ógras	Óg-Ógras Cill Daingean	4,160.00	2,275.00	1,885.00			
Ógras Chéitinn	Rith agus Forbairt an Chlub	1,960.00	920.00	1,040.00			
Tír na nÓg - Club Spraoi Phartaí	Tír na nÓg - Club Spraoi I	5,000.00	3,050.00	1,950.00			
Tonnta Community Interest Company	Traenáil agus Forbairt Fís Fógraíochta ag Club Óige an Luraigh agus Ógras an Chaistil				3,500.00		3,500.00
Cairde Teo	Club Óige Ard Mhacha				1,596.00	0.00	1,596.00
Cumann Óige Chroí Éanna	Cumann Óige Chroí Éanna				3,200.00	1,600.00	1,600.00
Glór an Tuaiscirt	Clár Óige na Gaeilge				3,490.00	1,745.00	1,745.00
Mayobridge Community Centre	Mayobridge Irish summer camp				3,500.00	1,400.00	2,100.00
Spraoi agus Spórt	Súgradh as Gaeilge	5,000.00	2,995.00	2,005.00			
Cairde na Gaelscoile (Naíscoil Éadain Mhóir)	Club Óige Éadain Mhóir				3,420.00	1,710.00	1,710.00
Club Cispheile 'Lee Valley'	Ranganna Cispheile tré Ghaeilge, Ciorcal Cainte do na	5,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00			

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Gaelscoil Léim an Mhadaidh	Abair as Gaeilge é!				3,272.00	1,819.00	1,453.00
Glór an Ghleanna					3,500.00	1,360.00	2,140.00
Naíscoil Léim an Mhadaidh	Tús Maith Léim an Mhadaidh				3,500.00	1,450.00	2,050.00
Sticky Fingers Arts	In the Garden/Sa Ghairdín				3,500.00		3,500.00
Ballyholland PS	Cumann Gaelach Cholmán				3,400.00	1,475.00	1,925.00
St. Mary's Primary School	67 Downpatrick Street				3,245.00	1,595.00	1,650.00
Gaelscoil na Speiríní	Club Iarscoile				3,500.00	1,730.00	1,770.00
Cairdeas, Kilmovee Family Resource Centre	After School Drama Club	2,800.00	0.00	2,800.00			
Na Macallaí	Imeachtaí Óige Gaeilge	5,000.00	2,500.00	2,500.00			
Gaelscoil an Chaistil	Clár Imeachtaí an Chaistil				3,500.00	1,750.00	1,750.00
Naíscoil Ard Eoghain	Spraoi le Chéile				3,490.00	1,745.00	1,745.00
Cormeen Community Development	Gaelsport	1,690.00	845.00	845.00			
Some information is not disclosed here as it is exempt information under the Code of Practice for Freedom of Information.							
		126,728.00	77,128.50	49,599.50	138,889.10	60,910.10	77,979.00

Total	€286,371
2012	€147,140
2013	€139,231

Minutes from the 108th Board Meeting of Foras na Gaeilge held on Friday 28th of September 2012 in the Foras na Gaeilge offices, Belfast.

Present: L. Ó Maolmhichíl (Chairperson), E. Mac Cormaic (Deputy-Chairperson), T. Ruane, Á. Ní Chiaráin, D. Ó hAiniféin, S. Mac Donncha, M. Mac Ruairí, L. Kennedy, C. Cavanagh, B. Ní Chonghóile, S. M. Ó Domhnaill, C. Ní Shúilleabháin, and É. Ó Gribín.

Apologies: T. Sharkey, P. Callaghan, and T. Mac Eochagáin.

In attendance: F. Mac an Fhailigh (Chief Executive), S. Ó Coinn (Deputy-Chief Executive), É. Ó hArgáin (Secretary), J. Ó Labhraí, and C. Ní Chonghaile.

Apologies: M. Ó Ríordáin.

01.108 MINUTES AND ARISING ISSUES

It was announced that the festival title ‘18th William Kennedy Piping Festival’, presented to the Board to approve on 29th of June 2012 would be amended to the organisations official title, ‘Armagh Pipers’ Club’.

The Chief Executive explained that queries had been made regarding the cost of purchasing E-reader/iPad for the Board members and that it was hoped that they would be provided by the end of the year.

02.108 REPORTS FROM FORAS COMMITTEES

The Grants Committee

E. Mac Cormaic, S. Mac Donncha, M. Mac Ruairí and É. Ó Gribín left the meeting due to the possibility of a risk of conflict of interest.

The Board accepted the following recommendations regarding the 2012/2013 corefunding:

Organisation	Overall maximum approved – July 2012 to June 2013	2012 Profile	2013 Profile
Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge	€37,576	€268,785	€268,791
Raidió na Life	€207,332	€103,135	€104,197
FNT	€1,012,121	€381,293	€30,828

The Board accepted the recommendation regarding corefunding for Altram (**Appendix 1**).

The Board accepted the recommendation regarding corefunding for Gaelscoileanna (**Appendix 2**).

E. Mac Cormaic, S. Mac Donncha, M. Mac Ruairí and É. Ó Gribín returned at this point.

The Board noted the information notes regarding Conradh na Gaeilge and Náiscoil Cholmcille (**Appendix 3 & 4**).

S. Ó Coinn left the meeting due to the possibility of a risk of conflict of interest.

Organisation	Requested amount	Recommended amount
Comhairle na Gaelscolaíochta	£20,000	£20,000

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant no greater than **£20,000** be provided in 2013 for Comhairle na Gaelscolaíochta to complete the project **Oifigeach Forbartha Óige** under the following conditions:

- *that joint-funding would be received from Comhairle na nÓg and be certified (by the letter of offer being provided to us) before any drawdown of grants will take place.*

S. Ó Coinn returned at this point.

Organisation	Requested amount	Recommended amount
Vifax don Ghaeilge	€14,296.14	€14,296.14

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant no greater than €14,296.14 (€7,500 in 2012 and €6,796.14 in 2013) be provided for Ionad na dTeangacha, NUI, Maynooth to assist with the costs involved with developing Vifax don Ghaeilge for the schoolyear 2012/2013.

The Dictionary Committee

The Board accepted the following recommendations regarding the dictionary:

1. The extend the maintenance contract with DPS for a period of three years, to the value of **€44,145** and to pay the total this year, receiving a 40% discount.
2. To increase the additional payments to the IDM, aside from the aforementioned contracts, to **€20,000** for the period 2011-2015.

05.108 INFORMATION NOTE REGARDING GRANT APPLICATIONS

The Board noted the information notes regarding grant applications.

08.108 CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S REPORT

An updated copy of the Chief Executive's report was distributed and he explained that:

- The Departments had announced that the Foras na Gaeilge budget for 2012 would be laid out as follows:

2012	NSMC Budget 2010	NSMC Budget 2012	DCAL Contribution	DAHG Contribution
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		EUR	STG	EUR	STG	EUR	STG
USA	£3,327,600	3,337,162	2,903,331	2,524,386	2,196,216	812,776	707,115
FnaG	€20,643,340	17,701,664	15,400,448	4,541,535	3,951,135	13,160,129	11,449,312
Total		21,038,826	18,303,779	7,065,921	6,147,351	13,972,905	12,156,427

- It was said that a 6% reduction would take place for Clár na Leabhar Gaeilge and Colmcille but that the Colmcille budget would have to be agreed with Scotland.

Liam Ó Maolmhichíl
Chairperson
2nd November 2012

Recommendations to be approved

Organisation name: Altram
Project title: 2012 Corefunding & 2012/2013 Corefunding

Recommendation 1

At the board meeting held on the 2nd December 2011 a grant no greater than £86,730 was approved for Altram for the period 01 January to 30 June 2012 and it was arranged that that the grant be paid through Fhorbairt Naíonraí Teoranta (FNT) at the exchange rate of 0.87, which is currently in place in the organisation (based on direction from the Sponsor Bodies). That left €9,690 to be paid to Altram, though when the grant is translated from the FNT accounts it happens at the daily rate – a lower rate (on average 0.79/0.80).

Altram is £6,557.02 STG short of the grant approved for the period as a result of the exchange rate.

It was recommended that £6,557.02 STG be paid to Altram, through FNT, so that they can receive the entire grant and cover the total costs for their work programme.

Recommendation 2

At the board meeting held on the 29th June 2012 a grant no greater than £168,732 was approved for Altram for the period 01 July to 30 June 2013 and again it was agreed that the grant would be paid through Forbairt Naíonraí Teoranta (FNT) at the exchange rate of 0.87 (ie. €193,045)

It was recommended that the difficulties mentioned under 'Recommendation 1' could be bypassed by paying Altram the grant of £168,732 in Sterling through FNT.

Information Note

Organisation Name: Gaelscoileanna
Project title: 2012/2013 Corefunding

Amendment

At the board meeting held on the 29th June 2012 a grant no greater than €432,512 for Gaelscoileanna for the period from 01st July 2012 to 30 June 2013.

Gaelscoileanna were notified that this was an interim grant and that an amended offer would be made when the salaries would be re-calculated based on the 28/2009 Circular on Public Sector Payscale as agreed at the board meeting held on the 29th June 2012.

This process has been finished by Foras na Gaeilge and the following is the approved grant for Gaelscoileanna Teo for the period 01st July – 30th June 2013, including the terms and conditions as set out in the first letter of offer.

	Approved € (01st July 2012 to 30th June 2013)	Budget Profile in 2012	Budget Profile in 2013
<i>Chief Executive (POC, 28/2009)</i>	90,635	45,318	45,317
<i>Vice Chief Executive (AOF, 28/2009)</i>	67,999	34,000	33,999
<i>Development Officer (OF, 28/2009)</i>	45,030	22,363	22,667
<i>Part-time Officer (OF, 28/2009)</i>	28,058	14,029	14,029
<i>Office Secretary (OC, 28/2009)</i>	40,520	19,991	20,529
Subtotal	272,242	135,701	136,541
Current costs			
General current costs	51,063	25,337	25,726
Travel and Subsistence	24,000	12,000	12,000
Subtotal	75,063	37,337	37,726
Events / Projects			
Support for schools / Grants Based Schools	9,000	6,000	3,000
Training Seminar	3,571	1,571	2,000
Yearly Conference	16,037	16,037	0

Joint project with FNT ('An Traein')	2,000	2,000	0
Interschool events	15,000	5,000	10,000
'Scléip'	12,637	677	11,960
Regional Support Structures	2,400	1,600	800
Electronic Newsletter	1,321	450	871
Guidebook on the Marketing of Irish Language Schools	1,508	1,508	0
Reprint - Information packets	3,499	3,499	0
Subtotal	66,973	38,342	28,631
Total	414,278	211,380	202,898

Based on the re-calculations made on the organisation's salaries a grant no greater than **€414,278** (€11,380 in 2012 and €202,898 in 2013) is approved for Gaelscoileanna for the period July 2012 to June 2013.

This amended sum exceeds the sum offered to the organisation on the 29th June 2012.

Information Note

Organisation Name: Conradh na Gaeilge
Project title: 2012/2013 Corefunding

At the board meeting held on the 29th June 2012 a grant no greater than **€528,163** as corefunding for 2012/2013 for Conradh na Gaeilge.

Amendment

In correspondance from the organisation on 01/08/2012 it was asked that Foras na Gaeilge would make the following amendments to the Conradh na Gaeilge budget (approved on 29/06/12) to include the following changes:

	Approved at Board Meeting on 29/06/12	Amended Grant Profile	Grant Profile in 2012	Grant Profile in 2013
Salary				
<i>Assistant Secretary-General</i> <i>(Assistant Principal Officer, 28/2009 Circ. Point 6)</i>	83,650	83,650	41,825	41,825
<i>Deputy-Assistant Secretary-General and National 'Timire'</i> <i>(Higher Exec. Officer., 28/2009 Circ. Point 9)</i>	64,143	64,143	32,072	32,071
<i>Development and Office Officer (Executive Officer., 28/2009 Circ. Point 6)</i>	43,113	43,113	21,556	21,557
<i>Publishing Executive (Higher Exec. Officer., 28/2009 Circ. Point 4)</i>	55,247	55,247	27,623	27,624
<i>Finance Executive (Administration Officer, 28/2009 Circ. Point 9)</i>	38,727	38,727	19,363	19,364
<i>Receptionist (Clerical Officer., 28/2009 Circ. Point 11)</i>	37,256	37,256	18,628	18,628
<i>One pension</i>	10,858	10,858	5,429	5,429
	332,994	332,994	166,496	166,498
Travel and subsistence	10,000	10,000	5,000	5,000
Current and Administrative Costs	20,539	20,539	10,269	10,270
	30,539	30,539	15,269	15,270
Events / Projects				
Conferences	6,000	6,000	3,000	3,000
'Bliain na Gaeilge 2013'	5,000	5,000	2,500	2,500

	11,000	11,000	5,500	5,500
'Feasta'	41,487	41,487	20,743	20,744
'Seachtain na Gaeilge 2012-2013 '				
Salary				
Manager (<i>Higher Exec. Officer., 28/2009 Circ. Point 1</i>)	50,717	50,717	25,358	25,359
Administration Officer (<i>Clerical Officer 28/2009 Circ. Point 1</i>)	25,482	24,420	11,679	12,741
Travel	3,500	3,500	1,200	2,300
Current costs	12,944	13,436	8,097	5,339
Main activities budget x 6 (Media, Youth, Community, Co- operation, Events, Irish Abroad)	19,500	20,070	12,070	8,000
	112,143	112,143	58,404	53,739
Total	€28,163	€28,163	€66,412	€61,751

FYI

Due to a surplus arising from a period of vacancy for a position as an Administration Officer with 'Seachtain na Gaeilge' permission is currently being sought to spend €492 on Current Costs and €570 for the Seachtain na Gaeilge Main Activities Budget. The position has now been filled and a breakdown has been provided for the re-estimated expenditure.

The Chief Executive approved this amendment on the 14/08/12.

Information Note

The following grant was approved at the Board Meeting of June 2012 for Naíscoil Cholmcille under the Investment Fund for Founding Preschool Provisions.

Name	Amount requested	Recommended amount
Naíscoil Cholmcille	£76,000	£76,000

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant no greater than £76,000 be provided for Naíscoil Cholmcille over the schoolyear 2012/2013 and 2013/2014. (£22,668 in 2012, £32,000 in 2013 and £21,332 in 2014).

Amendments have been recommended by NS Cholmcille in their work programme; it is recommended that the applicants do not move to the new premises for 3 months as they have been offered a new location that would more suitable for the community, and an simpler building than the new location that they had found at the time they undertook the application.

This new location will not be available until January 2013.

Instead of moving to the first location they had found and then moving again in January to the new location now offered, they would like to stay in the location they had on a 3 month temporary basis while the new location is being prepared.

Foras na Gaeilge ar seeking certain assurances in regards the new location, such as:

1. Evidence that there is certainty that the new location will be available by January 2013;
2. Evidence that Social Services will be happy to provide a cert for the new location;
3. Assurance from Comhairle na Gaelscolaíochta that there would be a possibility of 'GCR' funding available for the new location;
4. Signed assurance from parents that they would be happy to move their children to the new location;
5. Evidence that there is planning permission for a nursery on the new site;
6. Assurance from the applicants that they will not look for funding from Foras na Gaeilge for the temporary site after 1.01.13.

Amendment

After the discussing the matter with the organisation on the 29/08/2012 Foras na Gaeilge was asked to amend the budget of Naíscoil Cholmcille (as approved on the 29/06/12) to include the following changes:

	Approved at Board Meeting on the 29/06/12	Amended Grant Profile	Budget Profile in 2012	Budget Profile in 2013	Budget Profile in 2014
Salary	£34,000	£34,000	£5,668	£17,000	£11,332
Equipment	£12,000	£12,000	£6,000	£6,000	£0
Current costs	£10,004	£8,336	£0	£5,000	£3,336
Rent	£19,996	£16,664	£0	£10,000	£6,664
Total	£76,000	£71,000	£11,668	£38,000	£21,332

The amendments to the budget include NS Cholmcille not seeking funding for current costs or rent until they are in the new location, they will only look for funding for salary and equipment.

NS Cholmcille need to provide evidence that there is assurance in place that the new site will be available by January 2013.

The other conditions of the grant remained unchanged from their approval at the board meeting of 29th June 2012.

The Chief Executive approved this amendment on the 10/09/12.

Minutes from the 109th Board Meeting of Foras na Gaeilge held on Friday 2nd of November 2012 at Oireachtas na Gaeilge, Letterkenny, Co. Donegal.

Present: L. Ó Maolmhichíl (Chairperson), E. Mac Cormaic (Deputy-Chairperson), T. Ruane, Á. Ní Chiaráin, S. Mac Donncha, M. Mac Ruairí, L. Kennedy, P. Callaghan, S. M. Ó Domhnaill, C. Ní Shúilleabháin and É. Ó Gribín.

Apologies: D. Ó hAiniféin, B. Ní Chonghóile, T. Sharkey, C. Cavanagh and T. Mac Eochagáin.

In attendance: F. Mac an Fhailigh (Chief Executive), S. Ó Coinn (Deputy-Chief Executive), É. Ó hArgáin (Secretary), J. Ó Labhraí agus S. Uí Choinne.

Apologies: M. Ó Ríordáin.

01.109 MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING FROM

The Board agreed that the documentation for the Board and Committee meetings would be provided electronically and also agreed that iPads would be provided for Board members and senior management.

02.109 REPORTS FROM FORAS COMMITTEES

The Grants Committee

Name	Amount Requested	Recommended Amount
Highrock Productions	€20,000	€20,000

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant no greater than €20,000 be provided for Highrock Productions (€10,000 in 2012 and €10,000 in 2013) for the project *Caith Amach é!*

Colmcille Joint Committee

The Board accepted the recommendations regarding grant applications. (**Appendix 1**)

03.109 STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE UNTIL 30th SEPTEMBER 2012 AND AMENDED BUDGET TIL 31st DECEMBER 2012

The Finance and IT Programme Manager joined the meeting. Copies of the statement of expenditure were distributed and discussed. It was explained that 35% of the budget was to be spent before the end of the year.

The Board accepted the statement of expenditure and the amended budget til 31st December 2012. The Board gave the Chairperson, in conjunction with the Chief Executive, permission to approve the amended budget in the intermediate period before the next Board meeting. **The Finance and IT Programme Manager left the meeting at this point.**

06.109 REPORT FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE

An amended version of the Chief Executives report was distributed and he explained that:

- The 2009 Accounts are in the Comptrollers office and they are hoping that they will be signed on the 7th of November.

- The winners of the €22,000 prizefund for 'Leabhair na Bliana', the 'Uí Shuilleabháin' prize and the 'Réics Carlo' prize, will be announced on the 23rd of November 2012, at an occasion at the Sugar Club in Dublin.

Liam Ó Maolmhichíl
Chairperson
14th December 2012

**Appendix 1
Foras na Gaeilge**

**Foras meeting: 2 November 2012
Section: 2 (4)**

A meeting was held with the Colmcille Joint Committee on the 12th October 2012. The following applications were discussed and the Joint Committee recommended the following decisions:

Éire – North

Name	Requested amount	Recommended amount	2012	2013
Coláiste Feirste	£800	£800	£0	£800
Cairde na Gaelscoile Éadan Mór	£1,164	£1,164	£1,164	£0
Aonach Mhacha	£2,400	£2,400	£2,400	£0
Glór Dhún Geimhin	£4,026.50	£4,026.50	£0	£4,026.50
Conradh na Gaeilge, Boirche Íochtar	£4,200	£4,200	£0	£4,200
Armagh Pipers Club	£4,270	£4,270	£0	£4,270
Cultúrlann Uí Chanainn	£800	£800	£800	£0
Total	£17,659.50	£17,659.50	£4,364	£13,295.50

Information is omitted here as it is exempt information under the Code of Practice for Freedom of Information.

Éire – South

Name	Requested amount	Recommended amount	2012	2013
Na Macallaí	€4,500	€4,500	€0	€4,500
Feis na nGael	€12,500	€9,000	€0	€9,000
Cos Cos Sean Nós Festival	€5,030	€2,600	€0	€2,600
Comhdháil Náis. na Gaeilge	€11,000	€4,700	€0	€4,700
Ógras	€12,000	€6,000	€0	€6,000
Futa Fata	€5,510	€2,535	€0	€2,535
University College Dublin.	€690	€690	€0	€690
Féile Chomórtha Joe Éinniú	€2,500	€2,500	€0	€2,500
Oideas Gael	€3,500	€3,000	€0	€3,000
Pobal Scoil Ghaoth Dobhair	€11,800	€7,000	€0	€7,000
Total	€69,030	€42,525	€0	€42,525

Information is omitted here as it is exempt information under the Code of Practice for Freedom of Information.

Other recommendations

Coiscéim:

A grant of €600 (2012) to launch the book *Fo Stiùir a Faire* in association with 'Comhairle nan Leabhraichean Gàidhlig'

Slí Cholmcille

A grant of £1,200 (2012) to be approved to cover the cost of Maureen Mackin reviewing 'Slí Cholmcille'.

Minutes from the 110th Board Meeting of Foras na Gaeilge held on Friday the 14th of December in the Foras na Gaeilge Headquarters, Dublin.

Present: L. Ó Maolmhichíl (Chairperson), E. Mac Cormaic (Deputy-Chairperson), T. Ruane, Á. Ní Chiaráin, D. Ó hAiniféin, M. Mac Ruairí, B. Ní Chonghóile, T. Sharkey, L. Kennedy, S. M. Ó Domhnaill, C. Ní Shúilleabháin and É. Ó Gribín.

Apologies: S. Mac Donncha, P. Callaghan, C. Cavanagh and T. Mac Eochagáin.

In attendance: F. Mac an Fhailigh (Chief Executive), S. Ó Coinn (Deputy-Chief Executive), É. Ó hArgáin (Rúnaí), J. Ó Labhraí and S. Uí Choinne.

Apologies: M. Ó Ríordáin.

01.110 MINUTES AND ARISING ISSUES

The Board accepted the minutes and the Chairperson signed them. It was announced that the name on an application to Colmcille for funding should be changed from ‘Cultúrlann Uí Chanáin’ to ‘An Gaeláras Teo’. It was also announced that the title of another organisation should be changed from ‘Gaelscoil Eadaoin Mhóir’ to ‘Cairde na Gaelscoile Náiscoil agus Gaelscoil Éadain Mhóir’, under the Summer Camps Scheme. The Chief Executive gave a cost estimate for preparing the Board documents and the Board decided that value for money would be gained from the iPads. It was announced that a version of the 2009 Annual Report and Accounts were layed in front of the Houses of the Oireachtas and the Parliament in Northern Ireland on the 7th of December 2012.

02.110 REPORT FROM FORAS COMMITTEES

The Grants Committee

Name	Requested amount	Recommended Amount
Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich	£116,765	£114,765

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant no greater than £114,765 be provided for Cultúrlann McAdam Ó Fiaich as funding for the year 2013.

Name	Requested amount	Recommended Amount
An Gaeláras	£182,827.87	£141,214

The Board accepted the recommendation that a grant no greater than £141,214 be provided for Gaeláras as funding for the year 2013.

It was announced that Comhdháil Náisiúnta na Gaeilge had made another case for an employment position which had not been approved and the Board agreed with the recommendation by Coiste na nDeontas not to approve the position.

05.110 REPORT FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE

The Chief Executive stated that:

- The Departments notified Foras that a 6% reduction would take place on the 2012 budget:

Scenario 2: 6% savings 2012 – 15 Accrued from 2010					
2012 NSMC Budget		DCAL		DAHG	
Euro	GBP	Eur	GBP	Eur	GBP
€3,251,103	£2,828,460	€2,438,328	£2,121,345	€12,776	£707,115
€17,546,839	£15,265,750	€4,386,710	£3,816,437	€13,160,129	£11,449,312
€20,797,942	£18,094,210	€6,825,037	£5,937,782	€13,972,905	£12,156,427

Exchange rate €= £0.87

Colmcille €175,000

Liam Ó Maolmhichíl
Chairperson
25 January 2013