

Meeting minutes for the **31st August 2026.**

Time: 1:00pm

Location: SU Board Room

In attendance): Seán de Búrca (President), Molly Hickey (Welfare & Equality), Cathal Ó'hÉigeartaigh (Gaeilge), Eimear Burke (Education), Aifric Nevin (Gender and LGBT+), Sonya Naumova (International Students), Niamh O' Connell (Societies), Cillian Burke (Arts, Social Sciences and Celtic Studies), Joshua Theron (Science and Engineering), Sarah Costello (Medicine, Nursing & Health Sciences), Buddila Wijeyesekera (Postgraduate Research), Nazihah Hassan (Ethnic minorities)

The President welcomed everyone and congratulated them on their elections. Officers then introduced themselves and their roles.

The President explained Údarás na hOllscoile and opened the floor to nominations. Molly Hickey and Cathal Ó hÉigeartaigh were nominated and deemed elected without contest. The Executive then decided to elect which representatives shall sit on which Údarás sub-committee. It was decided that Seán would sit on FRC, Molly on EDIHRC, and Cathal on SSPGC.

Following an extensive discussion, Galway Rape Crisis Centre and the Irish Cancer Society were selected as the SU's partner charities for the year.

Plans for the year were discussed, in particular a planned housing protest involving sleeping out in *an Fhaiche Mhór*.

It was agreed that a poll would be sent into the group chat to determine times for future meetings.