

Date & Time: 16/08/2022 @ 6:30pm

:Location: SU Office Boardroom/Zoom

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- Uasdátaithe na n-Oifigeach / *Officer updates*
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- Aon ghnó eile nó moltaí / *Any other business or suggestions*
 - a. Comhairle na gColáistí (déanta as Gaeilge) / *Council for Colleges (held in the Irish Language)*
 - b. Córas bocála / *Booking System*

Attending: Tahsin (Clubs Captain), Barry (LU Gaeilge), Seanie (Oifigeach Gaeilge), Joe (VP Education), Joe (VP Welfare), Vickie (Socs Chairperson), Raimsey (Postgrad Taught), Rain

Apologies: Holly (Convener Business and Law), Sai (Uachtarán), Greta (Postgrad Research), Julia (International), Malena (Environment), Connor (LGBT)

Minutes Prepared by: Seanie

- Uasdátaithe na n-Oifigeach / *Officer updates*
 - Imogen: Case work, media interviews, HSE want NUIGSU to help with media for sexual wellbeing, filming something on the 13th, recorded lectures: university won't alter contracts, hope to get an idea of how many lecturers are going to make them available. There is no policy surrounding extenuating circumstances at the moment.
 - Joe: Student success strategy, finalised dates for SU Councils, talked to Barry about college council to Irish. Money from university for OER funding, case work, went to pride, campus tours training, SU Plus training
 - Barry: Scéim Conaite, wanted fixed location for Irish, putting 16 students in, students getting a grant of €1,000, will be conditions attached to grant met with Seanie. Café na Gaeilge, talks about ensuring it to be open, located in Áras na Gaeilge. Campus tours as Gaeilge, Inflammatory and xenophobic posters across campus.
 - Benjamin: Meeting with university mature students' officer, talking about returning to learning program, had some issues with access to mature students' society emails.
 - Seanie: Met with Barry, met with joe, attended oiche na Gaeilge.
 - Benjamin: Asks about posters,
 - Barry: Posters were put up by national party "House the Irish not the world", informed the university and got the posters taken down, housing for the university to condemn it, in the poster policy people could be fined.

- Benjamin: glad we are able to do something about it.
- Barry: Will share the postering policy of the university, good policy, not sure how well it is being implemented.
- Benjamin: Saw signs last year, was it open on ad hoc basis?
- Barry: was open for 5 weeks last year, contract with masterchefs, masterchefs run the café, used to be run by SUCCS but ran at a loss, and masterchefs took ownership
- Ionduchtú / *Orientation*
 - Imogen: Working on this with student services, 7th of the September, Soc's day and clubs' day that day, festival is a strong work, have DJs and small stage, silent disco, proud of everybody. Student friendly companies giving out freebies. 13th of September will be filming, vintage cloths in the cube. Having sing along in sult on the 24th, panel discussion will be held about the SU. Not really set in stone
 - Barry: Just the events happening in Áras na mac léinn by us and student services.
 - Rain: September the 2nd, are conveners hosting events?
 - Joe: that's the international events, will talk about that in a bit.
 - Rain: so that's not a part of the freshers?
 - Imogen: That's freshers for international students.
 - Joe: Early Bird Ents, anyone arriving in early, mainly for postgrads and international, finalised events schedule. Hike on the 28th, capacity of 45 students, board game night on the 29th, 160 capacity, pub quiz corrib room 80 studetns, global night, speed friending event run by international office 1st, karaoke night 500 studetns 2nd, gaielge 101 5th. only a pilot run, formal orientation on the 2nd, about 100 studetns. Pushing for colleges to run events in the evening on the 2nd for international orientation, anyone that wants to get involved come along.
 - Barry: Send all this on in an email, some people have access to emails, and some don't so will send it personally to people who don't
- Eolas buiséid/imeachtaí / *Budget/Events information*
 - Barry: Information so people have it, if you have any events ideas go ahead with it. There's an events planner, skeleton of an events plan, there is budget where you put in numbers will have a discussion. Don't worry about money so much, more about if it's relevant, throw around ideas. Events planner is so that everything is fully planned out. Just wanted to talk about it to inform everyone of how to run events. The sooner the better for planning events, think about things as soon as you can.
 - Imogen: Will send an email of when all the themed weeks are to everyone.
 - Barry: If you have an idea for themed weeks, we will be happy to discuss.
 - Imogen: when it comes to booking rooms, places like SULT gets booked out quickly
 - Joe: there is a pool of money there to use, so please feel free to organise events.
- Ionadaí ranga na Sionainne / *Shannon Class Reps*
 - Joe: Really trying to push engagement for satellite campuses, wants a discussion about funding transport for Shannon class reps for class reps?
 - Benjamin: How many class reps are there?
 - Joe: isn't a concrete number because of some stuff without proper elections, but there should be around 8 reps

- Imogen: would like funding for this.
 - Joe: Knows Chris had a concern about cost.
 - Tom: if cost is an issue, then could consider designation of a few reps and just cover their cost#
 - Barry: would like to wait for reps to be elected to get concrete numbers,
 - Benjamin: would agree to wait for reps to be elected,
 - Barry: would also like to say that would like to maybe hold like a town hall style meeting with reps in Shannon.
 - Joe: Emailed Shannon about holding a meeting with reps hasn't gotten a response but welcome invitation to officers for this.
- Aon ghnó eile nó moltaí / *Any other business or suggestions*
 - a. Comhairle na gColáistí (déanta as Gaeilge) / *Council for Colleges (held in the Irish Language)*
 - Barry: Last year there was a separate Council held for Acadamh where it was completely as Gaeilge for those specific students. This year had a proposal for one open to all reps, but as Gaeilge, chaired by Barry and Seanie. And pass on information to relevant conveners.
 - Tom: Like that idea, was worried about lack of Irish compared to predecessor.
 - Benjamin: Welcome the idea and would also see that it could be a way to have the part time Irish officer involved and maybe keep the role in the future.
 - Barry: Didn't think about that role for Irish officer will look at it.
 - Joe: Would be held on Thursday the 7th
 - Barry: Any objections?
 - No objections raised
 - Barry: Take it as consensus
 - b. Córas bocála / *Booking System*
 - Joe: Would like to set up a booking system so students can get timeslots to meet with officers?
 - Tom: Like the idea, thinks it would help engage students having meetings with officers.
 - Benjamin: Think it would be a good way to streamline the process, as opposed to how the university do it where it seems like they organise it over scrolls
 - c. USI
 - Barry: met with USI president, talked about sending a list of USI successes. They were very proactive and keen to engage and change.
 - Joe: Didn't have a presentation this week because Beth wanted to send on presentation.
 - d. Parking
 - Benjamin: worry about email sent about parking and limited spaces for students, know there was unrest about the email. Asks about what the president's commitment was last year about parking.
 - Seanie: Know the president cited survey about how many students travel by car, believe there was indications about places for students, but don't believe that there were any concrete commitments.
 - Tom: know there was plans for a parking protest but fell through

- Benjamin: Know that mature students are parents so struggle with cresses and park and ride systems.
- Imogen: Would you send an email about cresses to me so I can find more information.
- Joe: would you like to set up a campaign.
- Benjamin: Will look at setting up a campaign, don't know how much money the university gives to parking company.
- Barry: Will submit an FOI to university to find out how much money gets sent, would just really like to submit FOI.
- Benjamin: There was a resurfacing around the kingfisher, who paid for it.
- Barry: will submit another FOI.
- Benjamin: There was questions about engineering lawn and use of that.
- Tahsin: had discussions about using the engineering lawn and presidents' lawn for sporting events.

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