

Date: 05/09/2022

Time: 06:30 p.m.

Location: SU Boardroom/Zoom

Meeting started: 18:42

Attending: Sai, Joe, Rain, Greta, Seanie, Malena, Julia, Anne Marie, Raimey, Benjamin, Vickie, Tahsin

Apologies: Tom, Jack, Holly

Absent: Barry, Imogen, Connor, Michaela

Clár:

- Officer Updates
- Class Rep Elections
- USI Disaffiliation Chat
- Citywide Protest for Housing
- SU Charity Cup
- Testimonials for housing crisis
- AOB

Officer updates:

Sai: Medialinn space, café in engineering building, Halal food on campus, commuter busses; in progress, meeting the burser regarding su funding.

- Anne Marie: When are microwaves back
- Sai: Tomorrow

Joe: Talking with CELT about open education, housing on the late late show, ran and hosted 5 events for orientation.

Rain: Led some city tours, sent out a few emails to staff lecture recordings, looked for school to provide more scrubs to students.

Julia: Gave campus tours, hoping to put together housing guide for students.

Malena: eco gazebo on socs day, funding for eco bricks, 2nd hand pop up on that day, 13th first meeting on sustainability forum, 20th panel discussion on sustainable living

Greta: on Wednesday the postgrad research society is going to have a booth in the bailey allen, hoping to host a fundraising event based on the wishes on the society,

- Joe: could look at community housing project, for getting enough money

Greta: More of a student led venture, could have media coverage

- Malena: looked at student housing in Ljubljana,

Anne Marie: Not much of an update, someone contacted Anne Marie about joining ATU, another got in contact about access for an international student, doing something for culture night

- Sai: Imogen is looking at it, but not here.

Anne Marie: What is being done for suicide prevention, feel it is important the SU does something, got invited to dinner with the European committee on traveler and Roma people

Raimy: Had a meeting with USI on issues pertaining with postgrads, talked with Joe, and worked with Joe on orientation,

Benjamin: Working with Mature student's society, helped out and attended the international students orientation.

Seanie: Got email sorted, looked at some Irish language policy and research into policies,

Class rep elections:

- Joe: looking at around 650 reps, looking to have a video produced, nominations open today closes on the 14th, elections (--), looking for people for lecture shoutouts, first year elections are a whole other kettle of fish,
- Malena: Show a screen recording of how to sign up
- Joe: total cost around €17,589 (cost with different logos), would like to have both logos,
- 6 for both logos' joe, seanie, malena, greta, Benjamin and raimy, unanimous on logo
- Rain: Has a question, my class had nominations last week and elections this week
- Joe: That's not how it's working, it can only be done on yourspace.
- Malena: We need to make that really clear because for the last for years it was mixed
- Joe: There will be a staff email sent out that should clarify things.

USI disaffiliation:

- [Presentation](#)
- Sai: What do people think of presentation
- Malena: run thorough what changed
- Sai: They have said they want to focus on issues with accommodation, price caps on rents, no rights on digs, in terms of the union not much has changed.
- Joe: Among the vice presidents there has been talks of baking into the constitution a referendum every 3 years.
- Benjamin: am worried about holding a referendum based on numbers, as a British person worried about it becoming like Brexit.
- Malena: don't think it's the time to disaffiliate right now, should threaten and keep up pressure and look for reform

City wide protest:

- Sai: Holding a protest in the city instead of the quad, one Galway has expressed interest, would be aimed at the city council and the government.
- Seanie: Know last week Barry mentioned that if it was in the university we would not be able to publicise it as much as the university might be able to shut the doors to the quad s it could be better to publicise it.
- Benjamin: Mentioned that last week, would need to engage with other unions and the Simon community are having a sleep out already on the 30th.
- Anne Marie: could have striking visuals of tents in Eyre Square
- Malena: would like to note that there might be some safety issues with Eyre square, would need strong presence from the Gardaí
- Joe: Quad would probably be better for tents to have set up, probably safer, also we could just have a few people manning the tents and do shifts instead of having a lot of students sleep over.

Vote:

Unaniomous

Su Charity Cup

Tashin: Thinks that over the past few years there was a bit of distance between SU and Clubs, hosting it at the end of September on dangan pitches, will be a courses vs courses, going to have 10-12 teams, sai will host, will be mixed event, there will be an entry fee.

- Sai: looked at the estimates, €2 for watching and team paying €3, or having spectators pay €5. Also looked at sponsors, 3 possible options, Red Bull, Monster, or Rockstar.
- Tashin: what is the prize money looking like?
- Sai: they said around €500 prize pool, and then we could spilt that between the winners and runners up,
- Malena: could look at around for winner and for runners up
- Tahsin: How will sign up be
- Sai: could be done through google forms, management looking about mascot. University have suggested Panthers because of the frisbee club, Eagles because of Connacht rugby, will have one option for SU and one option for clubs

Testimonials:

Julia: looking at gathering testimonials for accommodation, have a few people with emails, looking for other methods of gathering testimonials

Malena: voice messages are great.

A.O.B.

- Nothing discussed

Meeting ended at 19:50