

Attending: Jack, Raimey, Tahsin, Barry, Tom, Seanie, Malena, Vickie, Julia, Holly, Benjamin, Anne Marie, Rain

Apologies: Joe and Imogen

Officer Updates:

Tahsin: Met with Gulf society to organize table tennis, pool soc want to organize an event and using funding from that to go to SU charity. Mascot referendum?

Sai: Based on UMT email wanted us to host a referendum

Tahsin: Want to have referendum in Semester 1 and getting it introduced for next semester

Sai: Partnership agreement, UMT, went to USI national council on Thursday and Friday, Pink training happening soon, bialann has menu items between €5 - €6 range, forwarded chri

Barry: Off last week, had pamphlets from different organizations, coiste gaeilge are meeting tomorrow, launching queer dictionary, communication on brainstorming session, malena had information for a speaker on the impact of climate change on the irish language.

Malena: Wasted week preparations, bike check sign up full, struggling on uptake on disposable vape recycling, going to put up advertising, in general there is a lack of advertng, our advertising strategy needs a bit of a revamp. Would like to see advertising on the agenda next week. Meeting with careers about a statement they are going to put out a statement on emissions.

Barry: Point of information on the sending letters to TDs that was raised earlier. USI have a postcard system that they want

Tom: Things came up at arts council, places to heat up food after 6pm, wanting teaching to be universal across teaching, a lot of stress on students who never sat exams having to sit exams and no preparation. Trying to organize meetings with various people.

Jack: What is the story on the microwaves on enigeering building

Sai: Zinc are running at a loss so are thinking of pulling out, university looking at duty manager.

Jack: Is there any policy on having lunch breaks between lectures?

Sai: No, will be meeting someone tomorrow so might be good.

Raimey: Had a meeting usi post grad working group where there was a discussion on getting more postgrad representation at national council, do think that would be good. Also talked about getting state funding for postgrads. Also want to ask about getting movies screening

Jack: will show you Joanna's email about this.

Seanie: One of lecturers asked about response from the SU on respect workshops.

Sai: emailed back today.

Holly: Lit and deb are having a joint coffee morning with the SU on the 24th, want to note about how to run it.

Barry: Thinking of like a graham Norton style thing, where there would be a panel of the guests like having a few part timers mixed in with the fulltimers and asked questions by a chairperson

Holly: Would want to have all the part timers or a few, don't want to have just a few there, the lit and deb soc are also hosting an event on nuigconfessions on Thursday.

Partnership agreement:

Sai: The title is a USI thing so can't change it. Outlines what is in the event.

Tom: Is the USI are doing this at a national with the minister of higher education

Sai: No, this is an NSTEP program, and there are other agreements for example in trinity and NCI

Malena: Could you outline how this works in other places and what were the downsides here.

Barry: Where is funding? Feel its very much virtue signaling, not against it because there is opportunities to say get the university to make certain commitments.

Sai: Funding is a separate document. Wanted this to be a policy so that commitments are enforceable.

Barry: Is this a whole load of nothing, what are we achieving from this, could you ask the other universities?

Sai: Will do that and ask about this.

Tom: Do think that this could offer a backbone to the finance

Anne Marie, Vickie, Holly leave.

Barry: like that phrasing of the backbone, the university want this.

Sai: well the minister is pushing it and usi are pushing it

Tom: Is it included in the HEA bill

Sai: it's not

SU Council

Sai: will to a mock motion on how to draft that, joe will run that.

AOB

Barry: events calendar when you are in outlook go to calender, and go to cmlog events

Sai: New updated constitution on the website

Raimey: has there been an update on the PG Full time officer?

Sai: No, criodán wants to meet me about this.

Raimey: will bring it up at college council

Tom: don't want to speak for the room, but do think there is a consensus on having an events officer

Barry: could have just a vague question on what full time officer people would want.

Sai: on events officer, want to organize a meeting with Joanna show what Joanna does

Malena: Felt Joanna did a good job, but there was a failing in communications and outreach so there could be an officer for that.

Sai: Other places don't have a staff member similar to the way we have so its different to us.

Seanie: Could look at the structure that USI have with a campaigns officer

Malena: do want to stress and that we are not replacing staff and need to stress that. Think that communication is a big issue, we have a problem and need to be solved.

Sai: Do think that getting another person might also be another issue and might not solve the issue. There are a couple of referendums going around about disaffiliation so will get stats on there on there.

Malena: do think we need to move quicker on this because we don't want to be the only people that are left.

Seanie: Don't think being the only people left is a big issue, like Kazakhstan being the last country left in the Soviet Union wasn't a big issue for them.

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