

Students' Union Executive Committee

Students' Union Executive Committee meeting 6:00 pm, Thursday, 30th January 2020 Venue: Board Room, SU Office

SU Exec Meeting 04/11/2019

<u>Present:</u> Clare Austick (President) (She/Her), Pádraic Toomey (Clubs' Captain) (He/Him), Scott Green (Students' Union Council Chairperson)(They/Them), (They/Them), Nursing & Health Sciences) (She/Her), Alex Coughlan (Disability Rights Officer) (They/Them), Erin Mac An Tsaoir (Oifigeach Na Gaeilge) (He/Him)), Sachi Sinha (Convenor of the College of Engineering & Informatics) (She/Her), Dheeraj Gudluru (Postgraduate Taught Officer) (He/Him), Aisling Fitzgerald (Convenor of the College of Medicine,.

Skype:

Apologies: Brandon Walsh (Vice-President / Welfare & Equality Officer) (He/Him), Cameron Keighron (Vice-President / Education Officer) (They/Them), Oissine Moore (Societies Chairperson) (He/Him), Kenny Cooke (Convenor of the College of Science) (He/Him), Avery Fenton (International Students' Officer) (She/Her), Emily Tock (Postgraduate Research Officer) (She/Her), Mairtin Mac Gabhann (Convenor of the College of Arts, Social Sciences & Celtic Studies)(He/Him).

<u>Absent:</u> Chuka Paul Oguekwe (Mature Students' Officer) (He/Him), Torri Chihumura (Ethnic Minorities Officer) (She/Her), Kaushik Narasimhan (Gender and Lgbt+ Rights Officer) (He/Him)., Clodagh McGivern (Convenor of the College of Business, Public Policy & Law) (She/Her).

These minutes were prepared by Scott Green (Students' Union Council Chairperson) during the meeting.

1. Proposal and Seconding of the minutes from last meeting

Clare asks for a proposer and seconder of the minutes from the meeting on the 13th of January. Alex proposes them and Erin seconds them.

2. Full-time officers updates & work progress

Clare- Last week big focus on general election and media surrounding both it and student issues, reminds exec about general election hustings coming up soon and clarifies it's open to student, staff and the public. Will be putting a bid into the University Strategic Plan for water coolers.

3. Part-time officer issues & work updates

Padraic- Hosted clubs forum, volleyball three day IVs, met aisling Harrington, met tolteca for sponsorship, met with boxing captains, meeting with mike heskin, meeting with basketball captains as well, has been invited to student sport Ireland agm, found out today the college is hiring a communications and advertising management and a participation and clubs officer

Erin- Will be meeting general election candidates here about their Irish language policy, will be setting up a stand in the Arts Concourse to do promo for his Irish language campaign. Was speaking to the president and has emailed for a meeting as well.

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Alex- Hosted a meeting of the living wage working group.

Dheeraj- Hosted the first Postgraute Council of the year

- Sachi- Hosted engineering council and has been following up on action points, meeting with IEEE and organise speakers and postgrad students.
- **Aisling-** Hosted first med council, used it to promote upcoming MedSoc running event, 2020 is the year of the nurse and midwife so she's looking into potentially running events such as a movie night. Erin suggests a student nursing appreciation night. Protest promo and notification about HBB bike cutting.

Scott- Council agenda planning meeting, officer report templates and minutes. Attended the living wage working group meeting and the clubs day SU desk.

4. Deportation

One of our students has been an issued a deportation order, the student in question received a letter asking him to volunteer to leave, Clare and the president of the University have written a join letter to the department of justice and are awaiting a response, depending on what happens we may have to organise a protest or gathering to oppose it.

5. General Elections Hustings and Live Broadcast

General election is on the 8th of February, we're hosting hustings next Tuesday from 8-9pm in Kirwan theatre in conjunction with One Galway and GMIT SU.

4th of February there will be a live broadcast with Newstalk who will be in The View from 2pm-4pm based around the climate emergency, organised by the NWCI (panel).

Erin asks if we're going to canvas along the lines of extinction rebellion where we take our issue to the streets and take to the general public.

8 candidates have confirmed out of Galway West and Galway East.

6. SU Elections

SU elections are soon, Brandon is coordinating an election event next Wednesday the 5th from 1-2pm, Full time elections are the first week of March and part time elections are the week after.

Scott asks about whether polling will be over two days as previously discussed, Clare says they'll only be open for one day.

Bialann are denying us our usual space for now.

USI nominations are also open until around the 24th of February

7. <u>Student Levy</u>

No update yet, hopeful there will be action this semester, the working group will hopefully have a meeting in 2-3 weeks.

8. Charity Collections

The annual collection day is this Saturday and any help is greatly appreciated.

9. Women Lead

Women Lead is tomorrow and Saturday. Five applicants from NUIG this year (6 including Clare who is a panellist).

10. <u>A.O.B</u>

- Erin brings up the fact that the red strings inside disability toilets across campus are at the wrong level. Alex has already emailed buildings about the issue and they've been unhelpful. Alex encourages anyone who sees it to photo the issue and email to build it.
- Erin asks about organising a pop-up Gaeltacht in SULT and is advised to email Noella in the bar to get information.

With no other issues or concerns, meeting is concluded at 18:47 pm.

Minutes proposed by:	Padraic
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Seconded by: Avery

3/02/2020

Date:



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