



**NUI Galway
Students' Union
Comhaltas na Mac Léinn
OÉ Gaillimh**

Students' Union Executive Committee meeting
4:00pm, Wednesday, 30th January 2019
Venue: Board Room, SU Office

Present: Megan Reilly (President), Clare Austick (Vice-President / Welfare Officer), Chuka Paul Oguekwe (Mature Students' Officer), Brandon Walsh (Societies Chairperson), Sabrina Vaughan (Students' Union Council Chairperson), , Rían McKeagney (Convenor of the College of Arts, Social Sciences & Celtic Studies), Scott Green (Convenor of the College of Science), , Alex Coughlan (Gender and LGBT + Rights Officer), and Muireann O' Sullivan (Disability Rights Officer), Roshan George (Convenor of the College of Engineering & Informatics), Ryan Guilfoyle (Clubs Captain).

Apologies: Liezel Ravenscroft (Convenor of the College of Medicine, Nursing & Health Sciences), Victoria Chihumura (Ethnic Minorities Officer), Cameron Keighron (Postgraduate Taught Officer), Adhna Nic Dhonnchadha (Oifigeach na Gaeilge), Eibhlín Seoighthe (Vice President / Education Officer), Daniel McFadden (International Students Officer), Clodagh McGivern (Convenor of the College of Business, Public Policy & Law) and Jibrán Abbasi (Postgraduate Research Officer).

Minutes/ Miontuairiscí*

Welcome/ Failte:

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Minutes are being recorded by Sabrina Vaughan, (SU Council Chairperson).

1. Prenominated AOB

- a. Clare- Congress
- b. Rían- fossil fuels
- c. Roshan- CEIM
- d. Brandon- HUB- conferring
- e. Sabrina- SafeTALK

2. Minutes- proposed, seconded

3. Exams

- a. to be left till Eibhlín to come

4. Cookbook

- a. Scott not here- Megan talks about it
- b. Recipes for students.

- c. Cheap and healthy
- d. Any comments? February Launch. Yes.
- e. Cheapest to buy places?
- f. Hygiene around food.
- g. Common recycling mishaps
- h. Different dietary requirements?
 - i. Exec to be focus group?
 - ii. Added comments
- i. Scott's initiative.

5. Charity Collection

- a. Saturday 2nd of Feb- shop street collection for charities.
- b. If officers could help out
 - i. 11-1 Paul and Rían leader
 - ii. 1-3 Sabrina and Scott
 - iii. 3-5 Megan and Alex

6. Campaigns and events

General discussion regarding events etc

- a. Muireann- Irish Deaf Society shutting down
 - i. How to support
 - ii. Petition
 - iii. Lack of funding
 - iv. Sabrina to get in contact with interpreter and instructor
- b. 27th amendment
 - i. Passed in 2003
 - ii. Pushing for legislation
 - iii. Bring it to national level? (National Council- run it there)
- c. Rían- Divestment of fossil fuel
 - i. Hildegard Naughton
 - ii. Lobbying politicians
 - iii. GMIT SU and NUIG SU, should we join two forces.
 - iv. Invite to council?
 - v. Town hall meetings?- Emergency meeting? Branch it out pass class reps.
 - vi. Invite local politicians? -
 - vii. Galway west and east?
 - viii. Needs more fleshing out. Don't want it to be used as hustings/ campaigning
 - ix. Rían and Muireann to write emails or lobby
- d. Alex- NUI Panel
 - i. One Galway- Campaign 'where tips go from hospitality'
 - ii. Megan to talk to GMIT- to come here? Or just a function room. Megan to bring a proposed date to next exec meeting/ council
- e. Rían- Michelle O'Dowd Sus initiative (NUI Galway).
 - i. To come to council
 - ii. Run an election for representation to student sustainability committee
- f. Megan- IMNO Nursing strike
 - i. To happen again next week (week of 4th of February).

- g. Roshan- How do book comedian etc.
 - i. Megan to ask Joanna for more info
- h. Rían- students asking about the Levy
 - i. Megan, met with the bursar
 - ii. Investment etc.
 - iii. Muireann- any word on the 5% or the Aras Na Mac Léinn fund- they are going away to look at it
 - iv. Pot of money for those that can't afford the levy
 - v. Free Gym membership? (gym might be a complete separate issue to the levy).

7. Éalú update

- a. Megan- trying to secure funding
- b. Keeping it in Aras Na MacLeinn- Bailey Allen
- c. Tuesday after the end of teaching (Easter holidays). Preferred date Thursday before end of teaching
- d. Capacity at 2,000 students.
- e. Save the date? Events committee? Executive.

8. Council

- a. Brandon- bring Hub to council
- b. Sabrina- agenda for council.
 - i. Speakers to be confirmed- Barry to skype in?
 - ii. Mention of two motions
 - iii. Things brought to items for discussion/ agreement (see agenda draft)

9. Exams and fees update

- a. No official date of release.
- b. For students worried at the late payment fee- direct them to Eibhlín or the FB post.

10. AOB

- a. Motions for congress
 - i. Mid-February- national council.
 - ii. Input from class reps for motions to congress
 - iii. Megan to look at the closing date.
 - iv. Barry/ USI to give an idea of what USI are doing
- b. Roshan- CEIM
 - i. For students in informatics
 - ii. Students made a survey- currently under a general mentoring program.
 - iii. Can CEIM expand. Bring it to Amber and Orla (CEIM coordinators).
- c. SafeTALK
 - i. Event- 27th Feb 2019
 - ii. Anyone on the executive would be interested to attend, - to contact Sabrina
- d. Alex
 - i. LGBT, Gender Identity and expression policy. Launched- just not sure how to promote it.
 - ii. Ally program (launch?), ran buy the staff network. Not launched yet.

11. Next Executive meeting?

- a. Megan proposes Thursday at 4 pm
- b. Majority of those at the meeting cannot attend.
- c. Megan to do another doodle poll.

With no other issues or concerns, meeting is concluded at 5:10 pm.

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Minutes proposed by:

Seconded by:

Date:

*These minutes were prepared from a contemporaneous note taken by Sabrina Vaughan, (SU Council Chairperson) at the meeting of January 30th, 4 pm in the Boardroom, SU Office and were typed into this memorandum style document for the record of Council.