



Comhaltas na Mac Léinn,
Ollscoil na Gaillimhe
*University of Galway
Students' Union*

Details of Work Undertaken since my last Officer Report

Sonraí faoin Obair a Rinneadh ó mo Thuarascáil Oifigeach deireanach

President of Comhaltas na Mac Léinn Ollscoil na Gaillimhe

30th January 2023 to 27th February 2023

Please put your meeting details in the table provided and everything else here in bullet points.

- **Refresher's Fair**
- **Irish Language Class**
- **Day in the life video**
- **Launch of Outdoor Pods**
- **Campus Clean Up**
- **Talk to a TD**
- **Launch of Registry and Student Registry Helpdesk**
- **Take Me Out**
- **Traveller Ethnicity Day Launch**

Meeting / Cruinniú	Details / Sonraí
Semester 1 Exam Review	The review of the Semester 1 exams and what can be improved for Semester 2
OGHD meeting	Deciding the Honorary degree recipients for 22/23
Student Survey.ie Planning Meeting	Planning for the Student Survey promotion on campus and online
Uni of Galway SU Finance Committee	Finance committee meeting of the SU where the SU budget was reviewed
SOS planning Meeting	Planning meeting of SOS event
Learning Commons: SU briefing	Briefing meeting regarding the new library building with library staff

StudentSurvey.ie - finalise pop-up schedule	Pop-ups for Student Survey promotion on campus
Elections Info Evening	Info evening for potential SU candidates
Academic Council	Discussed the partnership agreement
Learning Commons Senior Stakeholder Group	Discussed the plans for the new library
SU Executive Committee Meeting	Weekly Executive meeting
Careers for International Students Discussion	Discussed possibilities of improving career opportunities for international students
Turkey & Syria Donation Campaign	Organising a donation campaign for victims affected by the earthquake in Turkey and Syria
Finance Resource Committee Meeting	Reviewed the University's budget
Nominations Committee Meeting	Planning for the membership of the new Governing Authority
USI Congress Motions Discussion	Discussed motions proposed by the Union for USI



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- Helped out and help plan events during consent week.
- Was on a stand for refreshers and gave out freebees.
- Shaved my head bald to raise money for the SU charities.
- Promoted the StudentSurvey.ie.

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Reasonable Accommodations Policy Working Group	Meetings to develop a Reasonable Accommodation policy
Student Survey Planning	Weekly meeting to discuss promotion of the student Survey
Teaching and Learning Committee	Wifi and carrying failed credits was discussed here
Student Union Finance Committee	The Students' Union budget was reviewed
University Café and Restaurant Tender Committee	Meeting to Evaluate applications
Academic Council Working Group	Determine the terms and job description of the new Deputy President and Registrar
Meeting with University President	Discussed late provisional exam results, student experience, accommodation and issues raised at comhairle
SOS planning	Planning for the Students Union social event
Learning Commons SU briefing	Meet with the library to discuss the design of the New Learning Commons
USI candidates	Meet with USI candidates to discuss their ideas
Education Forum	Discussed academic concerns of students
Learning Commons Senior Stakeholders	Main community on guiding the design of the new Learning Commons

Academic Affairs motions for congress	USI meeting to discuss motions for congress
Exam Support Programme	Had several meetings about exam support for this year's exams with student services
Talk to a TD	Took part in Talk to a TD lobby day
Shannon College	Met with head rep in Shannon to discuss issues faced by students in the college



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- Helping out at SOS and Socs Carnival

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USCG	Attended USCG meeting to discuss society issues and meet new societies
Akumakon	Gave a speech at the opening ceremony of akumakon
ACS	Attended ACS event to discuss Black History Month
Riona and Socsbox	Regular meetings with Riona and Socsbox about society issues and ideas
Weekly Executive Meetings	Attended weekly executive meetings



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- Biodiversity on campus (Ponds/Library)
- An Mheitheal Rothar Bike mechanic workshop
- Global strike/ volunteer drive for Glassary

Meeting / Cruinniú	Details / Sonraí
Enlight Glassary	Won European award for Glassary initiative
Climate Crew social night	
Ecofeminism event	Work with feminist society
Blue spaces on campus	Zoosoc, envsoc meeting, first pond on campus in organic garden
Organic garden	Emailed to find alternative location for organic garden, help cleanup and planting of new
Students meetups	Interviews and concerns
Mary Robinson centre	Mary Robinson centre speech
Environmental Society	Organic garden, bird house
Prep for climate protest	
ALIVE	Meeting about glassary, climate crew signup on alive, find volunteer



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Julia Egan, International Students Officer

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- **International Students Table Quiz planned for March 22nd at 7pm in the Corrib Room in Sult.**
- **Proposal for International Student Buddy Programme is going to be presented the week of February 27th for possible funding. If this moves forward, a pilot programme would launch Fall 2023.**

Meeting / Cruinniú	Details / Sonraí
Louise Kelly, International Student Officer	Discussed Buddy Programme proposal
Marie Laffy, head of Career Development Centre	Met to discuss future Careers supports for international students and contribute the student voice to her proposal on resources to support the career guidance and employability needs of students.
Aisling Conroy, Career Development Manager	Discussed promoting events with the Career Development Centre geared towards International Students



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- Ag pléidh polisithe Gaeilge leis and Leas Úachtarán
- Ag deánamh cur chun cinn le haghaidh an Toghchán.



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John Walsh, Gender and LGBT Rights Officer

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- Organised meetings regarding the setting up of the T fund with Socsbox, the LGBT staff network and Bród soc.
- Organised a vigil in memory of Brianna Ghey on campus with Bród Soc and Femsoc.
- Attended SU meetings on Mondays.

Officer report:

RA Policy draft meeting

Student death protocol meeting

Refreshers fair

Student survey planning meeting

Uni of Galway SU finance committee

Working group of academic council – Appointment of new registrar

SOS planning meeting

Consent week planning meeting with active consent

Student survey pop ups schedule meeting

Provision of free period products working group – long term solution gotten, now looking for short term solution between now and October

Student survey meeting

Widening participation committee

Financial aid hardship emergency fund meeting

Student survey planning

Student death protocol

EDICC

Bystander training

Unconscious bias training

GDPR training

Active listening training

Consent week – galentines brunch, consent training, sex toy bingo, free sti checks, disclosure training, self-care session,

ESG Appeal meeting

Reasonable accommodations policy working group.

Student support welfare group

Student survey planning

Supporting students in crisis: stage two multi-disciplinary meeting

SOS! 😊 – DJ set, stage manager of sult, artist liaison, invoices processed, gig rider and tech riders

CN briefing

Appendix one and two approval for partnership agreement

SVH prevention and response

Talk to a TD lobby day

Student survey planning

Executive committee meeting

FAF approvals meeting

Údarás briefing

USI motions discussions: putting forward a GUTN motion and a drugs legalisation motion.

Casework – mental health, accommodation, bullying, SA, exam appeals

NASC meeting

Marketing arrangements for SOS

Service of remembrance

Research interview for upfront with Katie Hannon for RTÉ

Radio interview on consent and mental health for Liffey sound 96.4FM

SAFETALK suicide prevention training for class reps

National council – welfare working group, equality and citizenship working group, BMW working group

Submitted motions to National Congress



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- **Seachtain na Gaeilge**
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- **Charity Events**
 - The Shave-Off, Take Me Out, Galintine's, Sex-Toy Bingo and more to come. €16,000 raised so far for Galway Rape Crisis Centre and Galway Simon Community.
- **Scéim Cónaithe**
 - Number of people living in the Irish Language accommodation increasing from 16 people to 32 people next year.

Meeting / Cruinniú	Details / Sonraí
Léachtanna	Lecture Shout-Outs
Environmental Officer	Met with the Environmental Officer to discuss collaborations and policies
An Cumann Gaelach	Bhuail mé leis an gCumann Gaelach le pleananna a phlé
Standing & Strategic Planning Committee	Attend the Standing & Strategic Planning Committee meeting – My first one of the year
Ranganna Gaeilge	Thosaigh na ranganna Gaeilge agus d'fhreastail mé chun fáiltle a chuir rompu
Mac Léinn Gaeilge	Bhuail mé le mac léinn Gaeilge a bhí ag iarraidh baint a bheith acu le cursaí Gaeilge
SOS event for Donegal Tuesday	Meeting to discuss the Halloween Event with Socs and the SU called "Hallows,"

Cruinniú Boird Raidió Rí Rá	Cruinniú boird de chuid Raidió Rí Rá agus sinn ag labhairt faoi fheachtais a d'fhéadaimis a dhéanamh le mic léinn 3ú leibhéal
Oifigeach na Gaeilge na hOllscoile	Bhuail mé le hOifigeach na Gaeilge na hOllscoille le pleananna a phlé
Dean of Student's	Regular meetings with the Dean of Students regarding updates and issues
Comhairle na gColáistí	Comhairle do hionadaithe ranga trí Ghaeilge agus bhí fáilte roimh aon choláiste
Brainstorming Session	Executive brainstorming session to improve parts of the SU
Campaigns Strategy Committee	Meeting of the USI Campaigns Strategy Committee
Bualadh leis an gCumann Gaelach	Bhuail mé leis an gCumann Gaelach le pleananna deireanach do Sheachtain Ghaelach a phlé
Manager of Sult	Met with the manager of Sult to make plans for a few events during Seachtain na Gaeilge and outside of that
Taifead le mac léinn	Taifead le TG4
Executive Committee Meetings	Weekly meetings of the Students' Union Executive
Cruinnithe Foirne	Cruinniú rialta le foireann an Chomhaltais faoi cursaí na seachtaine
Ard-Fheis Chonradh na Gaeilge	Attended the Ardfheis of Conradh na Gaeilge in Nenagh
Standing and Strategic Committee	Attended the Standing and Strategic Committee meeting
USI Candidates	Met with USI candidates for the Coiste Gnó
Akumakon	Spoke at the opening ceremony of Akumakon
Áras nan Gael	Bhuail mé le hÁras na nGael le pleananna do Sheachtain na Gaeilge a phlé
Bolscaireacht Barry	Cuirim clár I láthair do Flirt FM ar son an Chomhaltais
Coiste Gaeilge	Bhuail an Coiste Gaeilge le pleananna a chuir le chéile

Auditor of Dansoc	Met with Auditor of Dansoc to help with Dancing With The Socs
Gníomhaí Gaeilge	Cruinniú traenála le Gníomhaí Gaeilge
Exam Podcasts	Recorded exam podcasts with information about how to tackle