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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

27th February 2023 to 27th March 2023

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

- **Rounders Charity Match**
- **Graduation Ceremonies**
- **USI Hustings**
- **Further Education Institutions Open Day**
- **Galway Exams Podcast Launch**
- **ALIVE Certificate Ceremony**
- **CÉIM 10 year Anniversary Celebration**
- **Traveller Ethnicity Day Launch**

Meeting / Cruinniú	Details / Sonraí
Election Week - Meetings	Discussed Election Regulations with the SU Candidates
OGHD meeting	Deciding the Honorary degree recipients for 22/23
President Meeting	Meeting with the University President regarding CÉIM Funding, SU Funding and facilities on campus.
Irish Language Class	Attended my weekly Irish Language Class
SOS planning Meeting	Planning meeting of SOS event
Strategic Fund application	Submitted the Strategic Fund Application for accommodation support and transport in Galway.
StudentSurvey.ie - finalise pop-up schedule	Pop-ups for Student Survey promotion on campus

Race Equality Committee meeting	Organisation for Nelson Mandela Week.
Academic Council	Discussed the partnership agreement
Údarás na hOllscoile	Submitted the Partnership Agreement and passed successfully
SU Executive Committee Meeting	Weekly Executive meeting
Careers for International Students Discussion	Discussed possibilities of improving career opportunities for international students
CÉIM Funding	Discussed the possibilities with the 4 College Deans
Academic Excellence Awards	Reviewed and scored nominations submitted by staff keeping the student supports in mind.
Nominations Committee Meeting	Planning for the membership of the new Governing Authority
USI Congress Planning	Organised the delegation for USI Congress



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- Successfully got 759 additional study spaces opened up across campus from the 3rd of April to the 4th of May.
- Rewrote schedule 1 of the constitution with consultation with the SU Executive and Postgraduate Council.
- Played rounders game against University Management Team and lost 😞.
- Submitted 2 motions to Union of Students in Ireland Congress.
- Helped organise and promote Students' Union Elections.
- Helped plan University Exams Support Programme and took part in a podcast on exams regulation.

Meeting / Cruinniú	Details / Sonraí
Deputy President and Student Success Manager	Discussed Carry Failed Credits, Reading Week, Feedback, Release of Exam Results
Reasonable Accommodation Policy	Creating Draft Reasonable Accommodations Policy
Election Week	Check in Meeting with Candidates
Student Digital Pathways Programme Board Meeting	Discussed Progress of SDP Project
Academic Regulations Committee	Discussed Proposed Changes to Academic Regulations
Executive Committee	Weekly Executive Committee Meeting
SU Election Reforms	Had Two Meetings with Other Members of the Executive to Discuss Potential Changes to Elections Regulations

Hardiman Scholarship Reforms	Meet Current PGT Officer and Incoming PGR Officer to Discuss Changes to the Hardiman Scholarship Regulations
Library Strategy Meeting	Discussed Progress of Library Strategy
Teaching and Learning Committee	Discussed Plans for Accommodating First Year Students Starting Late Due to Delays in Leaving Cert Results and Debated a Reading week.
Graduate Studies Board	A Range of Postgraduate Affairs were discussed Most Notably Postgraduate Teaching Contracts and Stipends.
University of Galway Designing Futures Advisory Committee	Update on Project and Suggestion for Future Developments
CÉIM Peer Learning 10-Year Anniversary	Celebration of 10 Year of CÉIM
Catering Tender	Reviewed Application for University Tender of Campus Cafés and Restaurants
ALIVE Certificate Ceremony	Awards Ceremony for Recipients of the Presidents Award
Student Services	Discussed Current Arrangements in Absence of a Dean of Students, Student Partnership Arrangement and Future Collaborations



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Údarás

Events meeting

Irish traveller ethnicity day

SU elections

Academic council working group – for appointment of new registrar

Disciplinary meeting

Exec meeting

Financial aid hardship emergency meeting

EDIHRC

SDP programme board meeting

International women's day brunch

Reasonable accommodations policy meeting

Exec meeting

Student support welfare mtgs

SWG

SHU meeting

SDP Programme board

Financial Aid hardship emergency meeting

Céim 10 year anniversary

Student survey review

Dealt with guards and security and still liaising regarding an assault on campus

Accommodation query

Interview on bullying

Accommodation query

Hello how are you mental health campaign

Lights in student car park were going off at night so made sure they are turned on from now on at all times after dark

Complaint

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MH casework

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Crisis – childcare – casework

Accommodation casework

Mental health Ireland taskforce



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- **Seachtain na Gaeilge**
 - To be really honest, the majority of this month was full of my events I ran for Seachtain na Gaeilge with an Cumann Gaelach. We had at least 2 events a day for 2 and a half weeks. All the events I ran are at this link - <https://su.nuigalway.ie/seachtain-na-gaeilge-4/>
- **Gaeilge 4 All**
 - Organising transport and helping with a protest being organised in Dublin about the Education System and the Irish language from playschool to to 3rd Level
- **Committee Representation**
 - Before I'm finished there are a few things I have to finish up, but I'm working at the moment to get the next Leas Uachtarán don Ghaeilge onto committees in the city that directly impact Gaeilge in the city. E.G. An Taibhdhearc, City Council, etc.
- **Society Awards**
 - Sat on 5 Society Awards Committee's

Meeting / Cruinniú	Details / Sonraí
Seoladh Seachtain na Gaeilge	Eagraíodh seo sa Téatar Áras na Gaeilge le TradSoc agus an Cumann Gaelach
Seoladh Chathrach do Seachtain na Gaeilge	Eagríodh seo in Áras na nGael agus leo agus cúpla eagraíocht Gaeilge eile
Gaeilge 101 Irish 101	Organised a suitable for total beginners who want to learn a few words of Irish
Queercal Comhrá le BródSoc	A Ciorcal Comhrá organised with BródSoc that we called a Queercal Comhrá

Corn Uí Chon Cheadainn	Helped organise a Gaeilge singing competition for students in all Universities
Céilí Craicéalta i Sult	Céilí in Sult with An Cumann Gaelach
Siúlóid Nádúrtha le SlugSoc	Nature walk through Irish with SlugSoc
Gearrscannáin sa Pálás	Short films from diverse Irish directors featuring drama, documentary and comedy
Cartlann Chonradh na Gaeilge agus na Meáin	Pléadh tionscnamh taighde faoi "Gníomhachas, teanga agus na meáin
An Dream Dearg	Plé ar an Dream Dearg agus an feachtas atá ar bun acu ó Thuaidh
Caifé agus Caint	
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
Mac Léinn Gaeilge	Bhuail mé le mac léinn Gaeilge a bhí ag iarraidh baint a bheith acu le cursaí Gaeilge
Údarás na hOllscoile	Attending the Governance Authority meeting
Podcast recording	Recorded podcast about exams over 2 days
Election Week meetings	Attended meetings for Election week
Election results	Helped with the election results day
Clár ar Flirt FM	I present a show on Flirt FM every Friday
Chat with GTI Students	Met with GTI students with the Access Centre
Ceardlann le Conradh na Gaeilge	Rinne mé Ceardlann le Conradh na Gaeilge le linn Lá Idirnáisiúnta na Teicneolaíochta

Launch of Podcast	Attended the launch of the podcast I recorded
SIN Article	Wrote a SIN article for their printed publication
Coláiste Iognaid	Labhair mé i gColáiste Iognaid faoi na deiseanna leis an nGaeilge
Society Awards	Sat on 5 Society Awards Committee's
Teanga Beo with Access Centre	Spoke over 3 days at an Access Centre events about the possibilities with Gaeilge
Biongó le Mature Student Soc agus an Coiste Gaeilge	Helped organise a Bingo with the Mature Student Soc and an Coiste Gaeilge
Biongó Ceoil leis an gCumann Gaelach	Helped organise a Music Bingo with the Cumann Gaelach
Motions for Council	Went through motions for council
Cruinniú leis an Taibhdhearc	Cruinniú leis an Taibhdhearc faoi ócáid a eagrú ann
Coiste Straitéiseach na hOllscoile	D'fhreastail mé ar Choiste Straitéiseach na hOllscoil agus rinne mé cur i láthair faoi mo chuid oibre
SAAI Awards	Met with members of the Executive about the SAAI awards and who to nominate



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- **Sports Ball 2023 (1st March till 24th March)** – Booked Venue, Sponsor, Performers And Started Ticket Sale. For detailed info about the Event – please email
- **Visited Advertees For Athlete of the Month Female and Male Official Polo T-shirts (15th March)** – As part of the newly introduced monthly award scheme, we have ordered official polo t-shirts, each given every month to our athletes for their incredible achievement and a symbol of appreciation from the clubs captain.
- **Scheduled Clubs Forum of Second Semester with University President** – On the 30th of March, 2023, I am hosting my final clubs forum. We will discuss about rebranding, funding allocation, new term planning and potential introduction of Sports Ambassadorship from next semester.
- **Discussed with Ellen Kelly (Admin of Sports Unit) regarding lack of support received from the Sports Media and Communication officer** – Since the onset of my term, I have received very little support from the media officer of the sports unit. I have informally filed a complaint regarding this. Further action necessitates, depending upon the coming days.

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Advisory Committee on Sport Meeting	Met with the President regarding Sports Funding Distribution, Rebranding of kits and monthly award schemes.
Sports Ball Organising Committee Meeting	Met Vice Captain of Archery, Captain of Table Tennis And EX Captain of Archery Regarding Sports Ball. Followed up on their work update and finalised budget for band and decorations
Sports Ball Meeting with Hotel	Met With Galway Bay Hotel multiple times regarding Sports Ball
Incident Meeting With Surfing Club	Confidential

Met with Cricket Committee	Cricket committee will organise a taster session and club sign up day, met the committee regarding venue and logistics.
Met with Redbull Consumer Manager for Sponsorship	The meeting was successful and Redbull is aboard with us for Sports Ball 2023.



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Report of the Convenor of the College of Medicine, Nursing & Health Sciences
Tuarascail an Tionólaí Choláiste an Leighis, an Altranais & na nEolaíochtaí Sláinte
Rain Puiman Yan

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Meeting / Cruinniú	Details / Sonraí
SU Executive Meetings	Attended weekly meetings. Inquired on student requests. Consulted and amended SU charter.
Meeting with Roisin O'Connell (INMO representative)	Arranged for a stand to meet with students at the Aras Moyola. Planning on hosting talks on placements
Meeting with Jane Bowman (Health Sciences Admin)	Liaised and provide student feedback on placement-related concerns and queries
Meeting with individual students	Advised on student queries and concerns while being on placements

Glacaim go bhfuil mo thuairisc léite, agus fáiltím roimh aon cheist.



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- **Class reps** – The usual correspondence with classes towards the end of the semester

Meeting / Cruinniú	Details / Sonraí
Monday Feb 27th	SU executive Council
Monday March 6th	SU executive Council
Monday March 13th	SU executive Council
Monday March 20th	SU executive Council



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- Terryland Cleanup
- Glassary
- Adopt a patch

Meeting / Cruinniú	Details / Sonraí
Final sustainability strategy	Finalized sustainability strategy to be voted in at council
Terryland cleanup	Organised clean up in terryland with Tuatha volunteers and climate ambassadors.
Adopt a patch	Sent email to volunteers informing them of initiative, collecting signups
Glassary	Volunteer drive and organisation
Meeting with Galway Biodiversity officer	Talk about ongoing and future projects, student concerns and exchange networking details



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Julia Egan, International Students Officer

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- **Final proposal for International Student Buddy Programme being presented end of this month for funding**

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Louise Kelly, International Student Officer	Discussed Buddy Programme proposal
Elaine Rea of the International Office and Group of U.S. College Counselors	Presented my student experience at University of Galway to group of counsellors and joined them for lunch for further discussion of the college and studying in Galway



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Postgrad Taught Officer Report

Meeting with VP Education regarding report to graduate studies committee

Host speed friending

Promoted movie night

Promoted SU events on social media

Attended an dream dearg seachtain na gaeilge

Attended graduate studies board meeting

Attended research committee meeting

Meeting with PG class rep and VP Education regarding Hardiman scholarship

Hosted Movie Night

Promoted PWO protest on social media and plan to attend on Thursday 23rd March

Attended USI PG working group meeting

Advertised and met with PG Udaras rep

Hosted PG council