# The Students' Union, National University of Ireland, Galway Financial Statements for the year ended 30 June 2016

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## The Students' Union, National University of Ireland, Galway OFFICERS AND OTHER INFORMATION

**President** Phelim Kelly **Vice Presidents** Rebecca Melvin James McGovern **Part-time Officers** Catherine Ryan Cathal Sherlock Eoin Mangan Patick O'Flaherty Laoighseach Ní Choistealbha Cian Moran Robert Forde Aoife Bell Tara Ward Jasmine Shaw **David Newell** Niall Gaffney Ryan McGinty Limited **Auditors** Chartered Certified Accountants and Stautory Auditors TaraRock 7 Galway Technology Park Parkmore Galway **Bankers** Bank of Ireland National University of Ireland Galway **Solicitors** Hammond Good Main Street Mallow Co Cork

### The Students' Union, National University of Ireland, Galway EXECUTIVES' REPORT

for the year ended 30 June 2016

The executives present their report and the audited financial statements for the year ended 30 June 2016.

#### **Principal Activity**

The principal activity of the Students' Union is the provision of representation and services to the students of NUI, Galway.

#### **Results and Dividends**

The surplus for the year after providing for depreciation amounted to €51,305 (2015 - €28,468).

At the end of the year the company has assets of €795,481 (2015 - €754,995) and liabilities of €188,643 (2015 - €199,462). The net assets of the company have increased by €51,371.

#### **Post Balance Sheet Events**

There have been no significant events affecting the company since the year-end.

| Signed on behalf of the board |       |  |
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| Date:                         | Date: |  |

### The Students' Union, National University of Ireland, Galway EXECUTIVES' RESPONSIBILITIES STATEMENT

for the year ended 30 June 2016

The executives are responsible for preparing the financial statements in accordance with applicable Irish law and Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland including the accounting standards issued by the Financial Reporting Council.

The executive is required to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Students' Union as at the financial year end date and of the surplus or deficit of the Students' Union for the financial year.

In preparing these financial statements, the executive is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies for the financial statements and then apply them consistently;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether the financial statements have been prepared in accordance with applicable accounting standards, identify those standards, and note the effect and the reasons for any material departure from those standards; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Students' Union will continue in business.

The executive is responsible for ensuring that the Students' Union keeps or causes to be kept adequate accounting records which correctly explain and record the transactions of the Students' Union, enable at any time the assets, liabilities, financial position and profit or loss of the Students' Union to be determined with reasonable accuracy. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Student's Union and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

| Signed on behalf of the Executive |       |  |
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|                                   |       |  |
| Date:                             | Date: |  |

#### INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

#### to the Members of The Students' Union, National University of Ireland, Galway

We have audited the financial statements of The Students' Union, National University of Ireland, Galway for the year ended 30 June 2016 which comprise the Profit and Loss Account, the Balance Sheet, the Accounting Policies and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is the Companies Act 2014 and accounting standards issued by the Financial Reporting Council (Generally Accepted Accounting Practice in Ireland).

This report is made solely to the company's members, as a body. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Students' Union's members those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Students' Union and the Students' Union's members as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

#### Respective responsibilities of executive and auditors

As explained more fully in the Executives' Responsibilities Statement, the executive is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view and otherwise comply with the Companies Act 2014. Our responsibility is to audit and express an opinion on the financial statements in accordance with Irish law and International Standards on Auditing (UK and Ireland). Those standards require us to comply with the Auditing Practice Board's Ethical Standards for Auditors.

#### Scope of the audit of the financial statements

An audit involves obtaining evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements sufficient to give reasonable assurance that the financial statements are free from material misstatement, whether caused by fraud or error. This includes an assessment of: whether the accounting policies are appropriate to the Students' Union's circumstances and have been consistently applied and adequately disclosed; the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the Executive; and the overall presentation of the financial statements. In addition, we read all the financial and non-financial information in the Executives' Report to identify material inconsistencies with the audited financial statements and to identify any information that is apparently materially incorrect based on, or materially inconsistent with, the knowledge acquired by us in the course of performing the audit. If we become aware of any apparent material misstatements or inconsistencies we consider the implications for our report.

#### **Opinion on financial statements**

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the assets, liabilities and financial position of the Students' Union as at 30 June 2016 and of its profit for the year then ended; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the relevant financial reporting framework and, in particular, the requirements of the Companies Act 2014.

#### Matters on which we are required to report by the Companies Act 2014.

- We have obtained all the information and explanations which we consider necessary for the purposes of our audit.
- In our opinion the accounting records of the company were sufficient to permit the financial statements to be readily and properly audited.
- The financial statements are in agreement with the accounting records.
- In our opinion the information given in the Executives' Report is consistent with the financial statements.

| Denise Ryan   |
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| for and on behalf of                                  |
| RYAN MCGINTY LIMITED                                  |
| Chartered Certified Accountants and Stautory Auditors |
| TaraRock 7  |
| Galway Technology Park                                |
| Parkmore  |
| Galway  |
| Date:   |

# The Students' Union, National University of Ireland, Galway INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT for the year ended 30 June 2016

|  | Notes    | 2016<br>€             | 2015<br>€ |
|--|----------|-----------------------|-----------|
| Income   | 2        | 739,688               | 688,241   |
| Gross surplus                                  |          | 739,688               | 688,241   |
| Administrative expenses                        |          | (688,383)             | (659,774) |
| Surplus on ordinary activities before taxation |          | 51,305                | 28,467    |
| Tax on surplus on ordinary activities          |          | -                     | -         |
| Surplus for the year                           | 10       | 51,305                | 28,467    |
|  |          |                       |           |
| Approved by the Executive on                   | and sign | ned on its behalf by: |           |

# The Students' Union, National University of Ireland, Galway BALANCE SHEET

| as | at | 30 | .lı | ine | 20 | 16 |
|----|----|----|-----|-----|----|----|
|    |    |    |     |     |    |    |

|  |          | 2016              | 2015      |
|--|----------|-------------------|-----------|
|  | Notes    | €                 | €         |
| Fixed Assets                                   |          |                   |           |
| Tangible assets                                | 5        | 16,897            | 21,204    |
| Ourself Assats                                 |          |                   |           |
| Current Assets                                 | •        | 500               | 4.000     |
| Stocks   | <u>6</u> | 500               | 4,008     |
| Debtors  | 7        | 147,722           | 212,373   |
| Cash at bank and in hand                       |          | 630,362           | 517,410   |
|  |          | 778,584           | 733,791   |
| Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year | 8        | (188,643)         | (199,462) |
| Net Current Assets                             |          | 589,941           | 534,329   |
| Total Assets less Current Liabilities          |          | 606,838           | 555,533   |
| Reserves                                       |          | <del></del>       |           |
| Revaluation reserve                            | 10       | E0 790            | E0 700    |
|  | -        | 50,789<br>556,040 | 50,789    |
| Income and Expenditure Account                 | 10       | 556,049<br>       | 504,744   |
| Members' Funds                                 | 11       | 606,838           | 555,533   |
|  |          |                   |           |

| Approved by the Executive on | and signed on its behalf by: |
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### The Students' Union, National University of Ireland, Galway NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

for the year ended 30 June 2016

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### **Basis of preparation**

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis and in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles in Ireland and Irish statute comprising the Companies Act 2014. They comply with the financial reporting standards of the Financial Reporting Council. The following accounting policies have been applied consistently in dealing with items which are considered material in relation to the Students' Union's financial statements.

#### **Accounting Convention**

The financial statements are prepared under the historical cost convention.

#### Income

The total income of the Students' Union has been derived from grants received from National University of Ireland, Galway and from services provided to students, including locker rentals, student travel card sales, second-hand book sales and ticket sales for entertainment events. It also includes sponsorship income from fundraising campaigns held by the students.

#### Grants

Capital grants are credited to deferred revenue. Grants towards capital expenditure are released to the profit and loss account over the expected useful life of the related assets. Grants towards revenue expenditure are released to the profit and loss account as the related expenditure is incurred.

#### Pensions

The pension costs charged in the financial statements represent the contribution payable by the company during the period to a defined contribution scheme.

#### Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are stated at cost or at valuation, less accumulated depreciation. The charge to depreciation is calculated to write off the original cost or valuation of tangible fixed assets, less their estimated residual value, over their expected useful lives as follows:

Fixtures, fittings and equipment

20% Reducing Balance

#### Stock

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Stocks are determined on a first-in first-out basis. Cost comprises expenditure incurred in the normal course of business in bringing stocks to their present location and condition. Full provision is made for obsolete and slow moving items. Net realisable value comprises actual or estimated selling price (net of trade discounts) less all further costs to completion or to be incurred in marketing and selling.

#### Taxation

The Students' Union is exempt from Corporation Tax and Income Tax under the mutual trading principal.

#### 2. INCOME

The total income of the company for the period has been derived from its principal activities wholly undertaken in Ireland.

| 3. | OPERATING SURPLUS                           | 2016  | 2015  |
|----|---|-------|-------|
|    |   | €     | €     |
|    | Operating surplus is stated after charging: |       |       |
|    | Depreciation of tangible fixed assets       | 3,304 | 5,301 |
|    | Loss on disposal of intangible fixed assets | 1,003 | 0     |
|    |   |       |       |

#### The Students' Union, National University of Ireland, Galway NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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#### **EMPLOYEES AND REMUNERATION** 4.

**Number of employees**The average number of persons employed (including executive directors) during the year was as follows:

|    |   | 2016<br>Number                              | 2015<br>Number   |
|----|---|---|--|
|    | Administration  | 12  | 12   |
|    | The staff costs comprise:   | 2016<br>€                                   | 2015<br>€  |
|    | Wages and salaries<br>Social welfare costs<br>Pension costs         | 307,968<br>32,454<br>3,660<br>344,082       | 298,464<br>25,644<br>2,748<br>———————————————————————————————————— |
| 5. | TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS   | Fixtures,<br>fittings and<br>equipment<br>€ | ————Total  |
|    | Cost  | ę   | •  |
|    | At 1 July 2015<br>Disposals   | 36,708<br>(4,684)                           | 36,708<br>(4,684)  |
|    | At 30 June 2016   | 32,024                                      | 32,024   |
|    | <b>Depreciation</b> At 1 July 2015 Charge for the year On disposals | 15,504<br>3,304<br>(3,681)                  | 15,504<br>3,304<br>(3,681)   |
|    | At 30 June 2016   | 15,127                                      | 15,127   |
|    | Net book value<br>At 30 June 2016                                   | 16,897                                      | 16,897   |
|    | At 30 June 2015   | 21,204                                      | 21,204   |
|    |   |   |  |

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#### TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS PRIOR YEAR

| 5.1. | TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS PRIOR TEAR  | Fixtures, fittings and equipment  | Total  |
|------|---|---|--|
|      |   | €   | €  |
|      | Cost At 1 July 2014 Additions   | 28,716<br>7,992   | 28,716<br>7,992  |
|      | At 30 June 2015   | 36,708  | 36,708   |
|      | <b>Depreciation</b> At 1 July 2014 Charge for the year  | 10,203<br>5,301   | 10,203<br>5,301  |
|      | At 30 June 2015   | 15,504  | 15,504   |
|      | Net book value<br>At 30 June 2015   | 21,204  | 21,204   |
|      | At 30 June 2014   | 18,513  | 18,513   |
| 6.   | STOCKS  | 2016<br>€   | 2015<br>€  |
|      | Stationary and travel cards   | 500   | 4,008  |
|      | The replacement cost of stock did not differ significantly from the figures shown.  |   |  |
| 7.   | DEBTORS   | 2016<br>€   | 2015<br>€  |
|      | Trade debtors National University of Ireland, Galway NUI, Galway Students' Union Commercial Services Limited Taxation (Note 9) Prepayments                          | 315<br>89,888<br>55,450<br>506<br>1,563                                 | -<br>145,617<br>60,517<br>506<br>5,733                                     |
|      |   | 147,722   | 212,373  |
| 8.   | CREDITORS<br>Amounts falling due within one year  | 2016<br>€   | 2015<br>€  |
|      | Trade creditors Serbhísí na MacLeinn, Ollscoil na Gaillimhe Teoranta Taxation (Note 9) Wages Control Account Credit Card Pension accrual Accruals Grants in Advance | 7,779<br>30,277<br>9,458<br>2,886<br>1,494<br>6,152<br>4,213<br>126,384 | 12,944<br>29,666<br>10,251<br>9,583<br>2.263<br>1,435<br>25,594<br>107,726 |
|      |   | 188,643   | 199,462  |
|      |   |   |  |

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| 9. TAXATION                                     |                        | 2016<br>€                               | 2015<br>€         |
|---|------------------------|---|-------------------|
| <b>Debtors:</b> VAT                             |                        | 506                                     | 506               |
| Creditors:<br>PAYE                              |                        | 9,458                                   | 10,251            |
| 10. RESERVES                                    | Revaluation<br>reserve | Income<br>and<br>expenditure<br>account | Total             |
|   | €                      | €                                       | €                 |
| At 1 July 2015<br>Surplus for the year          | 50,789                 | 504,744<br>51,305                       | 555,533<br>51,305 |
| At 30 June 2016                                 | 50,789                 | 556,049                                 | 606,838           |
| 11. RECONCILIATION OF MOVEMENTS IN SHAREHOLDERS | FUNDS                  | 2016<br>€                               | 2015<br>€         |
| Surplus for the year<br>Opening members' funds  |                        | 51,305<br>555,533                       | 28,468<br>527,065 |
| Closing members' funds                          |                        | 606,838                                 | 555,533           |

#### 12. CAPITAL COMMITMENTS

The Students' Union had no material capital commitments at the year-ended 30 June 2016.

#### 13. RELATE PARTY TRANSACTIONS

Seirbhísí na MacLeinn Ollscoil na Gaillimhe Teoranta is a related party in that the beneficial interest in Membership is held by the Students' Union.

During the year ended 30th June 2016, NUI Galway paid a Student Levy of €30,142 to the Students' Union. The Students' Union is obliged to pay this levy to Seirbhísí na MacLeinn Ollscoil na Gaillimhe Teoranta. (2015 - €29,666).

The Students' Union charges NUI, Galway Students Union Commercial Services Limited an annual management fee based on a percentage of the profits of NUI, Galway Students Union Commercial Services Limited for that year.

The Students' Union paid wages totalling €40,140 on behalf of NUI, Galway during the year (2015 - €41,028). This amount is repayable by NUI Galway. The amount owed from NUI, Galway to the Students' Union in relation to this transaction was €40,140 at 30th June 2016 (2015 - €24,200).

#### 14. POST-BALANCE SHEET EVENTS

There have been no significant events affecting the Students' Union since the year-end.

#### 15. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Executive on

#### THE STUDENTS' UNION, NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF IRELAND, GALWAY

#### **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**

#### RELATING TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016**

#### NOT COVERED BY THE REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

THE FOLLOWING PAGES DO NOT FORM PART OF THE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

| Income College Bar Agreement Secondhand Book Sales Entertainment Income Travel Office Facility Grant Student Levy Student Contribution SUCS Management Fee Locker Rentals Student Travel Cards Fundraising Campaigns EXPLORE Life Skills Funding - Alive Wages Funding - Cloakroom Wages Funding - Seirbhisi Levy CÉIM   | 30,000<br>2,368<br>5,944<br>10,000<br>386,190<br>70,396<br>36,000<br>23,494<br>12,301<br>22,703<br>25,000<br>13,010<br>40,140<br>   | 30,000<br>2,728<br>3,380<br>10,000<br>380,744<br>73,713<br>36,000<br>22,055<br>8,313<br>12,454<br>4,000<br>11,942<br>41,028<br>7,218<br>29,666<br>15,000  |
|--|---|---|
| Administrative expenses Officer and staff salaries North Campus salaries Alive wages Cloakroom wages Training, development & welfare Student travel cards blanks Insurance Lockers, repairs and maintenance Printing, postage and stationery Promotions Seirbhísí levy Telephone Website & IT costs Officer & staff expenses Class Reps expenses Election and Referendum expenses Water cooler USI expenses Campaign expenses EXPLORE Fundraising Expenses CÉIM Life Skills Entertainment costs Legal fees Accountancy Bank charges General expenses Loss on disposal of tangible assets Membership/Subscriptions Auditor's remuneration Depreciation of tangible assets | 230,963<br>8,128<br>40,140<br>14,587<br>10,101<br>12,304<br>6,172<br>7,075<br>8,473<br>6,895<br>30,142<br>8,830<br>3,131<br>9,713<br>17,163<br>10,162<br>638<br>98,157<br>23,529<br>29,937<br>24,835<br>49,633<br>16,197<br>10,829<br>1,845<br>769<br>2,915<br>-<br>1,003<br>300<br>513<br>3,304<br>688,383 | 298,464<br>6,321<br>41,028<br>15,846<br>8,060<br>9,106<br>5,929<br>3,421<br>9,124<br>4,194<br>29,666<br>9,152<br>3,551<br>7,983<br>17,382<br>12,789<br>491<br>87,260<br>29,004<br>28,601<br>15,092<br>23,143<br>17,453<br>10,205<br>20,295<br>769<br>2,557<br>(1) |
| Net surplus  | 51,305<br>———   | 28,468  |