



Meeting: Student Council Meeting
Date: Tuesday 24th of March 2017
Week: 8
Venue: DG016 Jean Monnet theatre.
Time: 18:00
Apologies: James Liston, Sarah Jane Allen, Chris Collins, Maoilíosa Lydon, Jean Langford
Absent: Romain Fachero, Sean Fitzgerald, Seamus Toomey

1	Standing orders and minutes Minutes week 6 28 th of Feb 2017 – Proposed by Declan Mills, seconded by Ben Dunne.	Joe C
2	<p>Matters Arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Department Reps – role description & proposed projects - WIP • Gender Neutral Bathroom across campus UPDATE – Caolan & Sarah – waiting on a reply from UL Buildings and Estates Rob Reidy – ignoring them • Parchment proposal – SAs Nuala Cullimore waiting on ARC meeting minutes - WIP 	Joe C
3	<p>Welfare Officer – update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mental Health Week - plan of events and guest speakers – Fantastic so far – Limerick Standing Up – 170 at gig • Oisín McConville – Monday – 140 attended – fantastic talk • Eating Disorders – Fierna Kennedy – Tuesday lunchtime – successful • Skinny Gaz cancelled • LGBTQ – event mental health week, PIF • Student Council – candle event Kemmy Fountain – At the end of the meeting we will go to Kemmy and place candles around fountain in memory of all students who have died by suicide in Ireland in a given year. • The Face of Mental Health – Photoshoot and story • Arena – vouchers for student day passes 	Caolan
4	<p>Update from Interest Groups:</p> <p>Equal Opps – Met with Paul Lee on Friday – access for students with disabilities – approved by Paul</p> <p>Charity week went really well, received card from resident in Elm Park</p> <p>Mental Health Week leaflet printed</p> <p>Policy – Equality policy, WIP – Ciara Kelleher</p> <p>UL Experience – Letter campaign update, River Bank Cleanup 19th March 10am, all are welcome – FYP went in, Paddy is a great lad(that’s my update)</p> <p>and Recreation Groups – Soccer Tournament and Egg hunt</p> <p>UL Experience – Cycle against suicide – Council members are encouraged to take part.</p>	Liam, James, Caolan

5	<p>Update from SU President</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Catering contract – microwaves, price and opening hours – WIP • ISSE response – hardship fund no update yet. Will follow up. • HEA letter to senators – update on replies • Simon Coveney 14th March – see calendar apt. Exec & Council to promote and take part. • Critical Incident Report & Student Death Protocol – Meeting in SU on Wednesday • Scheduling Student Centre Meeting with Wed 15th, 10-1 • Quality Review Group – School of Culture and Communication • In contact with Maura Adshead – UL Engage – with regards for Patricks day parade. Working with C&S • Branding workshop - fantastic • C&S Hustings – fantastic, Sarah would like to commend anyone that gave a hust. • Phone costs – budget, €139 for new iPhone • UL Sport strategic plan – meeting with Mark O’Connell • Wk 12 – Don and Paul – gift from Council to Don and Paul 	Sarah
6	<p>Update of Faculty officer and Dep reps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Replies from Student Department reps for defining their roles and responsibilities. – 9/22 gave feedback. • 5 at meeting on Friday • Posted Department Rep Roles and Responsibilities document on Exec Page, see attached doc. • Elizabeth Small – Department Reps should have more contact with Class Reps – possibly call meeting twice a semester. • NStEP will equip Department and Class Reps to be better reps. • Class Reps issue to be deferred to private time w/Liz. 	Joe Kearney
7	<p>Update from Academic Officer</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Student Choice Award – how and when, who is on the jury – need volunteers. https://ulsu.ie/representation/governance#studentschoiceaward 2. MathsXplain feedback – Should promote it to students. 3. ITD workshop – will be upgrading the IT facilities in a selection of General Teaching Spaces over the summer. An outline of work done to date will be presented, upgrade plans will be discussed and feedback welcomed. – Donal attending. 4. Academic Council and APRC meeting updates Still undergoing proposals, finalising 5 year master programmes for Aeronautical and Mechanical engineering. 	Donal
8	<p>Clubs and Societies C&S Awards – Hustings Week 7 Ball tomorrow night</p>	Seamus, Edmund
9	<p>PSU – ULSU and PSU Memorandum of Understanding Still waiting for C&S to pass it.</p>	Sarah
10	<p>Referendum – 568 signatures. 200+ verified. Lead Students: Joe Kearney; Ryan Jennings and Patrick Conneally – Sinn Fein</p> <p>We the undersigned support that</p>	

	<p>ULSU will actively support the campaign for a United Ireland –</p> <p>Waiting on legal advice on the wording from UL Law Dept and ULSU Solicitor.</p> <p>Received letter from solicitor giving advice regarding referendum – see attached doc.</p> <p>Letter counter acting solicitors’ advice read out.</p> <p>Members of young Sinn Féin give their argument.</p> <p>Provisional date: Tuesday 4th April, Week 11.</p> <p>Should Student Council defer the issue until next council? – Proposed by Declan, seconded by Tariq.</p> <p>All in favour None opposed 1 abstained</p>	
11	<p>Elections 2017 – 2018</p> <p>Nominations open Thursday March 9th 9am. Forms available for ULSU.</p> <p>Sabbats Exec Student Council Caolan, Sarah and Donal will be in their offices to supply advice.</p>	Liz
12	<p>Joe Curtin resigns as Chair of Council</p>	Joe C