



Meeting: Student Council Meeting
Date: Tuesday 14th of February-- 2017
Week: 4
Venue: DG016 Jean Monnet theatre.
Time: 18:00
Apologies: Karen Goltz, Elizabeth Small, Romain Fachero, Joe Curtin – Chairperson.
Absent: Eilish Condon, Amy Cashman

A quick Introduction and welcoming of all of Student Council. Agenda and minutes read out.

A	Welcome to Steven Casey, Student Disability Rep; Claire O'Brien, Sociology Dept Rep.	Liam & Sarah
1	Standing orders and minutes: Minutes week 2 31 st of Jan 2017. Proposed by Ben Dunne, Seconded by Oisín Taylor-Blakely. Minutes passed w/one amendment, see point 3.	Liam
2	<p>Matters Arising</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UL Parchment – update – Donal. Passed through ARC – will meet with Nuala Cullimore and Pat Phelan to go through application process. • Department Reps – role description & proposed projects. 6 responders, 4 from KBS, 1 from AHSS and 1 from Sci&Eng. Will work with KBS reps and make start from it. Will use suggestions to move forward. • Gender Neutral Bathroom across campus – Caolan & Sarah. Met Paul McCutcheon – will set up meeting with Buildings and Estates next week. Need to bring to Killian to see what permissions to have regarding it. • Letter to GA Student Affairs and Access committee – Critical Incident Plan & death protocol. Brought to Paul McCutcheon. Can't be found online – suggestion to put family tab on website for convenience. 	Liam
3	<p>Welfare Officer – update</p> <p>ULSU Sensible Drug Policy – see supporting Document – for discussion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drug and Alcohol Abuse (Week 3) – report – good response to events. • Beer goggles; outdoor cinema – 150 attendees. • Consent workshops cancelled due to poor signup. Suggestions needed on how to make this work in the future. • STI clinic on campus – report back – nearly 400 participants – Caolan has had no call back yet – possibly good news. • Ultimate Challenge report – Huge success 	Caolan

	<p>44 teams entered.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Drug Policy – Proposed by Ciara Kelleher Seconded by Tariq All in favour None opposed None abstained Passed. 	
4	<p>Update from Interest Groups: Equal Opps –, UL Experience and Recreation Groups ULTimate – Thursday Week 3 – REPORT. PCC Fund, Ultimate – Went very well. Equal Opps - All committee members have specific action items going forward</p>	Liam, James, Caolan
5	<p>Update from SU President</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Presentation to students on New Student Centre and Sports facilities update Still ongoing. Student Centre delayed by one month. Arena pool should be completed by end of March. • GA Quality Assurance Meeting • Library development meeting • Met architects for New Student Centre • Met students running in elections • Charity week planning Olwen still looking into buses for Charity week. • Heard back from senators and public representatives regarding HEA representation • AGM next week – Feb 22nd Wed KBG12 – any motions from students?? Council members must attend. Will inform Council when changes occur. • Travelling SU • UMass Boston Twinning update. Spoke regarding trip would be beneficial Will happen this November Will attend conference to see their governance with aim that UMass would return in March. Another conference call coming up. 	Sarah
6	<p>Charity Week</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cliona’s Foundation 2. St. Gabriels School 3. Mid-west Spina Bifida 4. Focus Ireland <p>Focus on collecting for charities – ACTION ITEM Council members to participate as the leaders at events & bucket collecting. Please contact Caolan.</p> <p>Ticket sales</p> <p>MnMs – Student Patrol</p>	

7	<p>Update of Faculty officer and Dep reps</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SU Presentation to Sci&Eng faculty Report. Parchment proposal/organisational breakdown presented. ISEE survey – poor response rate – need to increase. • TriFaculty Ball- 15th Feb Strand Hotel. Tickets €50 Selling poorly. • KBS Faculty report Want to know how to best engage with students Want to form Kemmy society – would be a society based on volunteering. • Replies from Student Department reps for defining their roles and responsibilities. – 6 responses from dept reps. • Class Reps – Need to take role more seriously. Lorna Horgan – Class reps won't respond to e-mails, needs to be addressed. Kathryn Adams – Same problem, poor response rate, only 2/12 class reps responded to a particular e-mail – possible problem with e-mails. Students are not opening e-mails and deleting them before they are read. Bring suggestions to Mark Mulqueen on how to improve student engagement and communication through e-mails. Chris Collins suggests to use App rather than constant e-mails – app is fairly poor and could be improved 	Donal & Sarah
8	<p>Update from Academic Officer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Prepared Parchment proposal; for ARC • Contacted the Erasmus office and everything to do with students abroad should be ok – Students fault, received an e-mail regarding exam process back in September. No permanent mark on transcript for students who return later than usual. E-mail will be sent out and information regarding exams will be given in meetings next week. • Student call-ins • Donal suggests that Maths students use “MathXPlain” to test it. A cheap alternative to other websites. • John Fahey – Only way you can appeal a grade is through a grade re-check. 1% for participation was given because participation was very poor. Jean Langford – People didn't know about the change. 1% for participation was given to students who answered questions on material which was not previously covered. Donal will take the matter back to lecturer. Chris suggests discussing the topic and searching for a solution to the problem outside of council meetings. <p>Motion: That the annual repeats be brought forward, to accommodate 4th year students who would like to re-sit I-grades, D1 and D2 grades and graduate with their Class – Proposed by Kenneth Condon, Seconded by Jean Langford.</p>	Donal

	<p>All in favour None Opposed None Abstained Motion Passed.</p>	
9.	<p>March for Science On Saturday April 22nd, World Earth Day, The March for Science will take place. Scientists and science lovers are standing up for evidenced-based policy making and inclusivity Response to Donald Trump’s anti – science approach. Science society are interested in organising a Limerick march – seeking official union recognition. Motion: That ULSU formally supports these marches, and students who wish to take part – Proposed by Chris Collins, Seconded by James Liston. All in favour None Opposed None Abstained Motion Passed.</p>	Chris
10	<p>Clubs and Societies Recruitment Drive – Thursday 2nd Foundation Building. 4-8pm. Societies with less than the required number of members will be disbanded giving new societies a chance to set up on 15 week trial period.</p>	Seamus, Edmund
11	<p>PSU - Apologies sent. Upcoming PSU Ball 17th Feb in Pavillion and PSU AGM, ULSU & PSU MOU – Week 4/6 Aimee got corum at PSU AGM. Number of changes to constitution. Elections will be held later in the year. Great turnout, good move for PSU. Well done Aimee and Declan.</p>	
12	<p>NEW ITEM AGM-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minutes • Matters arising from the minutes: North Campus Catering • Motions and Resolutions • Audited Accounts (Spring Semester); • Ratification of Auditors (Spring Semester); • Item for discussion • New Student Centre • Any Other Business • Motion that the SU becomes a company ltd by guarantee. • Jax Jones tickets will be raffled. • Aim to get 100 attendees. <p>REMINDER to ATTEND – AGM Date – Feb 22nd, Week 5 – 6pm KBG12 Proposed by Joseph Brown, Seconded by Ben Dunne. All in favour None opposed None abstained</p>	

13	ITD lunchtime feedback sessions: A meeting to let students know about Sulis improvements since the upgrade last June and to invite their feedback on Sulis. Also, how can ITD improve their engagement with students? – Monday – SC, Wed, Thursday Class Reps Millstream 1-2pm Faculties finding it hard to receive feedback from students. Want to figure out what's working and what's not working particularly on Sulis.	
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