



UNIVERSITY of LIMERICK STUDENTS' UNION

COUNCIL AGENDA

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| Meeting | : | | Student Council |
| Reference | : | | AY15/16-1 |
| Academic Year | : | | 2015 / 2016 |
| Week | : | | 10 |
| Date | : | | 10/11/2015 |
| Venue | : | | Library Boardroom |
| Time | : | | 18.00 |
| Absent | : | | Ryan O'Hanlon, Christopher Kelly, Brendan Mc Auliffe-Hickey, Louise Clifford, Ellen Brasseur, Bridget Howard, Julie Rossiter, Michelle Heelan, James O'Connor, Sean Fitzgerald, Mark Nother, Sean Mc Killen, |
| Apologies | : | | |
| | | Elected members voting: Voting Vacancies: Quorum: | |
| | | Members present: Absent: Apologies: | |
| a | Resignations and welcome Orlaith Fitzgerald Activities Rep. | | Officer Resources |
| 1 | Minutes - Week 8 Minutes from week 6 proposed by Oisin Taylor Blakely seconded by Michelle O'Brien. Minutes from week 8 proposed by Joe Curtin seconded by Chloe Fallon. | | Mark 2 |

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| 2 | <p>Referendum – presentation by Hugh Kelly Architect</p> <p>Mature Student Hub-accessible, would ease anxiety and social isolation of mature students, pod area-nap area, smoothie bar, common area which could be used for sport, debating hall, Kitchen area to reheat and make food, student bar/restaurant/coffee shop –income generation possibilities-university staff only , wider lifts so people in wheelchairs can use them, better accessibility on floor level, upstairs meeting room, have the offices upstairs and the recreation room downstairs, rooms for group projects with whiteboard, projection room for non-alcoholic events, relaxing environmental garden/sensory garden, prayer room, more gender neutral toilets, moveable walls so you can change the size of the rooms, climbing wall-this could create revenue, handball-wall, bean bags and conference chamber.</p> <p>Jasmine Patel-bar is not a good idea because of damage that could be caused, noise disruption and the place would always be untidy. Colin Clarke pointed out that the student centre in Manchester had a student bar and it was too noisy or dirty.</p> | Colin | 20 |
| 3 | <p>Matters Arising -</p> | | |
| | <p>Medical Centre-9 GP clinics,1 STD clinic and 2 contraceptive clinic. Student Union President Colin Clarke went to the medical centre on Monday 9th of November but did not get seen as there were 6 people waiting outside. Turns out that there was no doctor in the medical centre. Paul Mc Cutcheon put this down to an admin mistake.</p> | | 3 |
| | <p>Library Exam time Extension –The library will open from 10am-10pm on Saturdays and Sundays for the remaining 4 weeks of the semester.</p> | Colin | 1 |

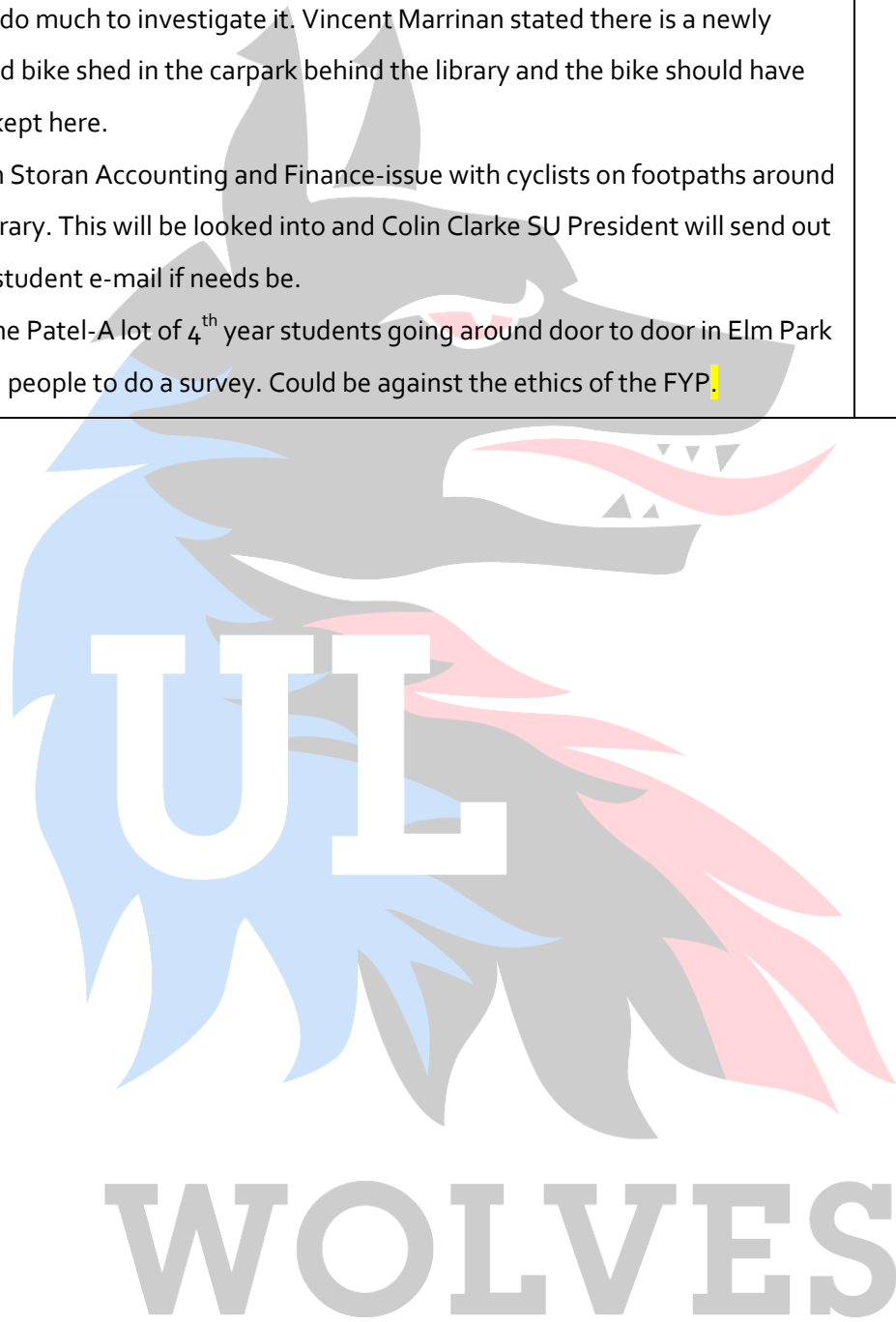
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| | <p>UL Fest . Discussion Item</p> <p>Concerns raised by Ciaran O'Donovan, Campus Facilities Rep.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • possible damage to Plassey Lawn Will be using a similar surface that Croke Park use for concerts so this should not be a problem. • safety issues around the site - nearby river, fall-off slope There will be fencing around these areas so the site should be secure. • proximity to many buildings and structures. This should not be a problem. • possible free rider problem – students not paying for tickets. Students living on campus can experience the concert such as being able to see it or hear it from a distance but do not pay a ticket - could prove to be a problem Hopefully the bridge will be closed down for the duration of the event or at least while the main act is on • overall cost of the event. This is the main issue. Should be able to raise funds through university contributions, union contributions and external sponsorship. • Capacity-4,999 without a licence, 9,500 proposed area 1 (with licence) and 11,000 proposed area 2 (with licence) | | 10 |
| 4 | <p>Update from President-</p> <p>M&M campaign: ULSU received litter complaints particularly in College Court.. Colin and Martin met with the guard's. M&M's patrolled College Court on Thursday October 29th and provided a litter pick up on Friday 30th of October.</p> <p>Library: 24 hour study area will not be implemented until the second semester. ITD are costing CCTV equipment for the 24hour study area.</p> | | 5 |
| 5 | <p>Update from SU Academic</p> <p>On Thursday 5th of November SU Academic Marian O'Donnell went to the Irish Student Survey Engagement. UL's rate of participation was 7% well below the average rate of 18%. Met with writing centre to get feedback on literature FYP reports. President of the USI Kevin O'Donoghue expressed an interest in coming to UL next semester.</p> | | 5 |

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| 6 | <p>Update from Welfare Charity Week nominations – to be approved by council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Corbett Suicide Prevention Patrol • Bumbleance • SVP drop in centre • Blood Bank Bikes <p>Upcoming campaigns – Alcohol and Drug Awareness, destress and exam prep Proposed by Joe Curtin Clubs Officer and seconded by Dubheasa Forde Volunteering Councillor. 1500 wristbands have arrived and are ready for distribution, asking for donations for them. Money raised will go towards suicide prevention and awareness training.</p> | Ciara | 5 |
| 7 | Update from PS-Apologies-Apologies | | 3 |
| 8 | Update from Non Sabbat Exec members | | |
| 8.1 | <p>Recreation update-Breast cancer clinic will not be going ahead. Recreation Chairperson Oisin Taylor Blakely is now in consultation with the Medical Society about organising a mole mapping clinic in the second semester.</p> | | 3 |
| 8.2 | <p>UL Experience Developing Survey-post and pre co-op survey. Big problem with the co-op office is communication. Co-op office is interested in using social media as a form of communication.</p> | | 3 |
| 8.3 | UL Equal Opps-Apologies. | | 3 |
| 8.4 | <p>Faculties Officer-Sci-Eng board meeting went ahead. Retention of 1st years is the main issue with AHSS. KBS meeting coming up this week.</p> | | 3 |
| 9 | <p>Constitution Review Group –Creating a drop in centre every 2 weeks next semester. Appraisals will be going ahead next semester.</p> | | |
| 10 | <p>Student Council Training – January – Proposal https://www.linkedin.com/in/eoinoliathain Going to Kilkenny City on Wednesday 20th of November to Friday 22nd of November. Also special guest speaker Eoin O’Liatháin will be speaking with the group. Eoin is a social entrepreneur who founded “shoutout” which is an organisation which tries to eliminate LGBT bullying from secondary schools. Eoin is one of Ireland’s 2 youth delegates to UN. Eoin is also on the Washington-Ireland programme. Booking deposit is only €20.</p> | | 5 |

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| 11 | <p>Student Choice Awards – see associated document-will be discussed at a later date.</p> | | 10 |
| 12 | <p>Electoral Referendum Board</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council Rep: Michelle O'Brien • PSU Rep: Sean McKillen • CS nominee – to be elected • SU Exec nominee Bridget Howard/Grace Bevan Molloy • Sabbat Officer not seeking re-election – no nominee. <p>Motion to council to approve Bridget and Grace membership on ERB. Proposed by Vincent Marrinan Mature Student Councillor and seconded by Clodagh O'Brien Cooperative Education Councillor.</p> | | 5 |
| 13 | <p>Exec oversight nominee request-Daolin Walsh Equal Opportunities Councillor, Chloe Fallon Culture and Communication, Clodagh Corry Sociology and Ciaran O'Donovan Campus Facilities Officer.</p> | | 5 |
| 14 | <p>Update from Department Reps-Sarah Mc Carthy Law-Constitutional Law lecturer is on early maternity leave and is putting the lecture notes on podcasts. Marian O'Donnell SU Academic –this is common practice.</p> | | 5 |
| 15 | <p>UGM survey feedback, going forward how to improve-Schedule the UGM for earlier in the semester. Next semester the UGM will be fall on week 8 or 9 because the UGM can't be on the same week as charity week in wk6 or elections week in wk7.</p> | | |
| 16 | <p>ULSU Exec Propose –</p> <p>“ULSU will collaborate in the 'What's in the Pill?' campaign” – see appendices for more information</p> <p>Drugs.ie have contacted Colin Clarke SU President to ask if the ULSU would like to join the “know your pill campaign”. This is a drugs awareness campaign which aims to inform, educate and make people aware of the dangers of drugs. There are currently 10 colleges that are supporting this campaign including DIT, UCD and Trinity College. Unions. The ULSU is still anti-drugs. If the ULSU is going to support this campaign then they would simply send on their logo which would be attached to the poster. There will be an information campaign on this topic next week anyway with Drug and Alcohol awareness week.</p> <p>Proposed by Oisin Taylor Blakely Recreation Chairperson and seconded by Sarah Mc Carthy Law.</p> | | |

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| 17 | <p>AOB-Michelle O'Brien Management & Marketing would like to improve awareness of environmental achievements especially the green flag.</p> <p>Ciaran O'Donovan-Expensive bike robbed just outside of the library, security didn't do much to investigate it. Vincent Marrinan stated there is a newly erected bike shed in the carpark behind the library and the bike should have been kept here.</p> <p>Niamh Storan Accounting and Finance-issue with cyclists on footpaths around the library. This will be looked into and Colin Clarke SU President will send out an all student e-mail if needs be.</p> <p>Jasmine Patel-A lot of 4th year students going around door to door in Elm Park asking people to do a survey. Could be against the ethics of the FYP.</p> | | |
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Appendices

ULSU will supply the ULSU Wolf Logo to be included in 'What's in the Pill?' campaign material which will be for use in UL campaigns

ULSU will be listed on the drugs.ie website alongside with the other colleges involved in the campaign

See <http://www.drugs.ie/whatsinthepill> for more information.

'What's in the Pill?' Campaign

The 'What's in the Pill?' campaign is the result of a collaboration between three Dublin Universities – [DIT](#), [TCD](#), and [UCD](#) and the [Ana Liffey Drug Project](#). Resources created include posters and a factsheet, which will be distributed on campus as well as promoted on social media and via the drugs.ie website.

We are now extending this campaign to other 3rd level institutes nationwide by supplying customised PDF versions of the poster and factsheet, free of charge. If you supply us with a transparent PNG version of your college logo, we can supply you with the finished designs for print. To date, other colleges also involved are IT Sligo, St. Patrick's College, Maynooth University and NCAD. To get involved contact info@drugs.ie.

Information

The campaign features the following harm reduction information:

A number of pills sold as ecstasy have been tested and found to contain substances other than MDMA. MDMA, and many of these substances, have been linked to hospitalisations, deaths and possible mental health issues. There is no way of telling what is in a pill just by looking at it. IT'S ALWAYS SAFEST NOT TO TAKE UNKNOWN OR ILLICIT DRUGS AT ALL. If you do take a pill ...

- It is less risky to take half (although smaller doses can also be dangerous)
- If you don't come up as quickly as expected don't assume you've got dud pills. Wait 2 hours. Some drugs take longer to effect than others.
- Never double drop.
- Never mix your drugs, alcohol, other club drugs and prescribed drugs call all interact dangerously with pills, and with each other.
- If dancing, rehydrate with water or isotonic drinks regularly, but don't go over a pint per hour.
- Take breaks from dancing.

If you are concerned about a substance that you or a friend have taken:

- Don't take any more
- Don't take other drugs
- Seek medical advice

The Students' Union in no way condones the use of illegal drugs.

About: www.drugs.ie

Drugs.ie is an independent website managed by [The Ana Liffey Drug Project](#).

Our mission is to help individuals, families and communities prevent and/or address problems arising from drug and alcohol use.

Drugs.ie is responsible for the [Let's Talk About Drugs National Media Awards](#).

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