



Minutes of Executive Meeting

Meeting 1

13/08/2024

Teams

Present:	Shauna O'Toole	President, Chair
	Princewill Aguele	VP Events & Engagement
	Ema Radlinskaite	VP Communications & Media
	Sheran Bahadir	VP Academic Affairs
	Peter McCann	VP City Campus
	Naomi Sebastine	VP Tallaght Campus
	Esmeraldi Doda	VP Blanchardstown Campus
Absent:	Fatima Said	VP Welfare & Equality
Clerk:	Caoimhín Kelly	Democracy & Representation Executive
In Attendance:	Liam Cosgrove	Academic Affairs & Representation Lead



Item	Description	Noting / Discussion / Approval
Introduction	The Academic Affairs & Representation Lead revised the structure of the Executive Meetings, spotlighting focus on the Teams Channel, how to submit and create agenda items, and how the Meeting in general works.	
Apologies	The VP for Welfare and Equality submitted apologies.	Noted.
Approval of Minutes & Adoption of Agenda	The agenda was adopted by the attending members.	Approved.
<p>Standing Updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on Workplan Progress • National USI Affairs • Organisational Leadership Team Updates 	<p>The President will be in contact with the General Manager on the establishment of the Students' Union Annual Workplan.</p> <p>An International Affairs Working Group for those representing their Union's alliances is being established by Bryan O'Mahoney in USI.</p> <p>The President was in contact with the President of USI and will send members of the Executive the Workplan of Chris Clifford.</p> <p>The Academic Affairs and Representation Lead gave an update on the Leadership Team's Meeting from Thursday, 8th of August.</p> <p>The Events, Marketing and Communications update heard updates on Meet The Team and the Spotlight Document.</p>	<p>President to send USI President's Workplan to Executive.</p>



	<p>The Leadership Team discussed recruitment and in the incoming new staff members starting next week.</p> <p>The Leadership Team further discussed the 2024/25 Budget.</p> <p>On Academic Affairs & Representation, the Team heard the Class Rep Training proposals, alongside the received terms of reference for the Leadership team's meetings.</p> <p>The Representation Team is adopting a new representative structure through the nationally adopted volunteer management system.</p>	
<p>Items for Discussion</p>	<p>Student Levy</p> <p>The University has proposed the implementation of a student levy.</p> <p>The proposal outlines a range of capital projects for which the levy will cover, notably with a Student Centre as a fourth priority.</p> <p>The President believes that a Student Centre should be higher on the list.</p> <p>The Campus VP for City Campus proposed that the Executive should create their own proposal reprioritizing the order of investment.</p> <p>Understanding that the Students' Union's response will have to be taken from a "give and take" approach, the CVP elaborated that if the Union wants the Student Centre as number one, that they must also keep the development of a Sports Centre in the Top 3 to leverage their position.</p> <p>On the question as to how much per annum the levy will be on students, the President iterated that they don't have that information as it stands.</p>	



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	<p>The Academic Affairs & Representation Lead gave their input on their Students' Union experience with levies. They believed that the levy will have to be founded on a commitment from the University, whether the levy will rise in future ordinarily or through inflation and that the Students' Union must consider the governance of the levy if it is adopted.</p> <p>The President explained that the adoption of a levy will have to go through referendum.</p> <p>Working Together Agreement</p> <p>The President went through the Working Together Agreement that the Executive established in their first week.</p>	
<p>Items for Approval</p>	<p>Updating Executive Sub-Committee Terms of Reference</p>	<p>Approved.</p>
<p>Any Other Business</p>	<p>The VP for Communications & Media requested the opinions of the Executive on the upkeep of the Union's usage of the Facebook account.</p> <p>The Executive heard that the page receives minimal engagement and heard the consideration whether the page should solely have a pinned post referring users to the Union's Instagram and website pages.</p> <p>The Campus VP for City believed that there could be a cohort of alumni who may use the Facebook page as a point of interaction with the Union to stay updated.</p> <p>The VP for Comms & Media responded that they would look more into the analytics on this point.</p> <p>The VP for Academic Affairs queried the President on the Executive's attendance to SUT+.</p> <p>The President announced that the Executive will attend the National Council online.</p>	<p>VP for Comms & Media to investigate Facebook analytics.</p>