



Minutes: TU Dublin SU Student Council Meeting

Date: 11th December 2025

Time: 6pm

Location: AST2 – 046 - T127

Present:

Chairperson	Graham Hayes
President	Naomi Sebastine
VP for Communications and Media	Adekunle Ashiru
VP for Events and Engagement	Princewill Aguele
VP for Academic Affairs	Yogesh Gupta
VP for Welfare and Equality	Immanuella Oba
VP for City Campus	Mina Eusebio
VP for Tallaght Campus	Abdullah Zaidi
VP for Blanchardstown Campus	Esmeraldi Doda

In Attendance:

Clerk to the Council	Trish Cullen
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The Chair welcomed everyone to Student Council, and the meeting was pronounced quorate.

1. Approval of Minutes and Matters Arising	Action item
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Any matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting, 27.11.2025 & Approval of MinutesLGBTQ+ Recruitment & HustingsEC Members Recruitment & HustingsApproval of this meeting's Agenda	Spelling mistake to be corrected, email representation – Naomi proposed minutes – Edel Connelly second – Minutes passed
2. Correspondence	Action item
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Motions & Policies: Items set to expire in 2025/2026 – Graham reviewed which motions and policies are expiring. If any are worth maintaining, they need to be repropose in SC 4.	



3. Elections	Action item
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
4. Approval Items	Action item
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
5. Standing Items	Action item
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> AMLÉ Update - No update Campus Development (Campus Vice Presidents) VP City Campus – As only two weeks have passed since the last council meeting, there aren't many updates to provide. Mina participated in the AST Campus Facilities Committee, where the consensus was that the majority of funding has been allocated to GG. This committee has been established to explore how funding can be directed towards AST. There is currently a table situation at Bragogue, and we are hopeful about acquiring more tables for that area. Mina recently visited the sports and societies office in AST, with the aim of increasing student activity in that space. Joanne Kearney has been consistently inviting her to the meetings so they can provide feedback regarding the Campus facilities discussions. Mina's participation has already led to some positive outcomes. Q. AST – Inquiry about the gym facilities in AST – Mikeal A. The proposal for a gym is centred around creating a versatile modular space dedicated to physical activity. While the idea has garnered attention, it's important to note that the budget allocated for this project is quite limited. Consequently, developing a gym facility would represent a significant undertaking, requiring careful planning and investment to bring to fruition. Q. What considerations should be taken into account when engaging with external resources? A. We have initiated outreach to sports and clubs to explore potential partnerships with gyms located outside the city. It is important to note that any such initiatives will require prior approval from the relevant sport's governing bodies. VP Blanch – Everything remains unchanged since the last student council meeting, and we are still addressing the issues that were previously raised. All CVPs have met with individuals to discuss canteen options. Students have complained about dissatisfaction with the current canteen offerings. The shuttle bus contract is up for renewal. Es is working with individuals to determine what students want and the routes they would like the bus to run to and from. Q. Is there any update regarding the double doors in C Block? 	



<p>A. Es held a meeting while in Riga and has since reached out to Health and Safety regarding the double doors but is still awaiting a response. The doors are being repaired only to break again shortly thereafter. Es will investigate who will address this issue.</p> <p>Q. What is the status of the balcony?</p> <p>A. There have been no improvements made to the balcony. The associated risks remain too significant.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> VP Tallaght - The issue of anti-social behaviour has been resolved. There is an update regarding the culinary kitchens; some labs were too hot while others were too cold. Abdullah is working alongside the Estates team – Please contact Abdullah for more information. Motion and Policy Tracker Update: The President, Naomi, confirmed that all policies and motions are on track. She indicated plans to review any falling motions and policies. Most items are ongoing and have no changes. 	
6. Discussion Items	Action item
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Class Rep Recruitment - Yogesh provided an update on the Class Reps; the numbers remain unchanged since the last SC. Elections will be held in the new year. Printers in TU Dublin – raised by Aaron Tom - The Issue is that PayPal is the preferred payment method, which is not visible for students, as not all students have PayPal. A range of printing-related issues has been addressed. Since PayPal had not been mentioned previously, this topic was not brought to SPOG. Naomi and Mina will discuss in next meeting with SPOG. Additionally, Mina has created a document log for BST and LH to record all printing issues. It is requested that all incidents be documented in this log. 	
7. Items for Note	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> None 	
8. Part-Time Officers Reports	Action item
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sarah Ambrose - Gender Equality Officer (No submission). She has not attended the first two student council meetings and has neither sent reports nor apologised. Article 17.1.1 states she should submit a petition before SC4. Ethnic Diversity Officer – Sarvesh Modi - Submitted the report late but addressed it during the meeting. The officer assisted during mini rag and attended welfare and equality meetings. Gaeilge Officer (No Submission) – Officer online Meeting: Darragh O Nuallain mentioned that the submission was sent in; this will be followed 	<p>Report Approved</p> <p>Report Approved</p>



<p>up on. It was then confirmed that the submission was not actually sent. The officer explained the reasons for this. The matter is now resolved.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beci Murphy - Disabilities Officer - Mini RAG, Blanchardstown campus. Liaised with fellow disabled students on the Blanchardstown campus regarding campus life and improvements. • Charlie Beaudelot - Sustainability Officer. Raised awareness of sustainability through the Green Gown Awards reception. Assisted with Mini RAG. Submitted a sustainability proposal and answered related questions. Attended the Welfare and Equality Committee meeting. • Mature Student Officer – Georgina Brassil (No submission) Apologies sent • International Student Officer – Mahmoud Mohamed (No submission) - Occupied with final year projects - Will complete it next time. 	<p>Report Approved</p> <p>Report Approved</p> <p>Report Rejected</p> <p>Report Approved</p>
9. Full-Time Officers Reports	Action item
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice President for Tallaght Campus - Abdullah - from November 13th to 26th: Attended class representative training and participated in the second CRM session, where all queries were addressed. Conducted food pantry events and attended the opening of the new Tallaght building. Assisted with the mini-Rag event and collaborated with Mina on the initiative for promoting a healthy campus. • Vice President for City Campus – The Vice President presented the key points of their report, some of which included participation in the Student Experience Committee, a review of the Student Charter, and attendance at AMLE’s Campaign Strategy Meeting. They were also nominated as representatives for the Bolton Street and Linenhall Committee and the Space Task Force. Additionally, the Vice President assisted with the Class Representative election in Central Quad and provided feedback to GG CLC regarding campus security. • Vice President for Blanchardstown Campus –Presented the key points of their report, some of which included Late submission - The report is late because the Vice President misunderstood the deadline, believing it was due by 5 p.m. instead of 12 p.m. He will ensure this is corrected in the future. Items highlighted in red are now complete, while other items remain ongoing. I reviewed the report, and it indicates that many items are still in progress. Q. Why are you always late in submitting the report A. Got confused, though it's way COB instead, that 12 pm report was submitted at 4:30 pm, will fix this going forward. • Vice President for Events & Engagement – Presented the key points of their report, which included updates from the Governing Body, EDI Subcommittee, Academic Council, Student Experience Committee, Campus and Facilities Committee, UPB, ARPOC, Arts 	<p>Report Approved</p> <p>Report Approved</p> <p>Report Approved</p> <p>Report Approved</p>



<p>Committee, Events and Campaign Committee, and the Academic Affairs Committee. It was noted that there has been limited progress since the last council meeting, with the exception of a few staff meetings related to RAG Week to review outcomes and plans for enhanced promotion during Christmas Week.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vice President for Academic Affairs – Offered a summary of the main highlights from their report, which included participation in the Mini RAG, contributions to the planning of the Class Representative Christmas Party, and attendance at the National Postgraduate Engagement Network meeting, as well as discussions regarding the Postgraduate Students Survey with AMLE. Additionally, chaired the CRM 2 meeting and attended the SPOG meeting. • Vice President for Welfare & Equality– Provided a comprehensive overview of the report, which included the following key activities: completed the sexual health campaign and produced an awareness video for International Students. Assisted with MINI RAG and participated in various committee meetings. Established edits for the Drug Harm Reduction infographics campaign. Attended protests addressing gender-based violence and contributed to the remembrance ceremony organised by the chaplaincy. Prepared for the upcoming pink training in Galway and actively engaged with AMLE members regarding postgraduate matters. Developed lobbying plans focused on accommodation issues. Served as a panelist at the BY-Stander anti-racism training hosted by STAND.ie. Q. Mikal questioned items on her work report that are not relevant to her role. A. The VP emphasised that she always includes any work she undertakes in her report. • Vice President for Communications & Media - Provided an overview of the key points from their report, which included efforts to promote all upcoming events. VP is currently in the final stages of distributing the monthly newsletter and producing the officer's monthly highlights video. Additionally, he is focused on promoting Mini RAG events and facilitating SHITF events. The Vice President is also involved in the recruitment process for board vacancies, particularly regarding democracy and representation. • President – Presented an overview of the main points from their report, which encompassed the Governing Body, University Partnership, a meeting with the Chief Recovery Officer, Student Council Elections, the Exam Campaign, Class Representatives, the Shift Campaign, and MINI RAG. Additionally, attended the EUT+ Student Board meeting in Riga and participated in a protest addressing Gender-Based Violence. 	<p>Report Approved</p> <p>Report Approved</p> <p>Report Approved</p> <p>Report Approved</p>
<p>10. Reports from Other Bodies</p>	<p>Action item</p>



11. Any other Business	Action item
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AI Declaration Document – Naomi provided an overview of the process. Please email Naomi if you have a specific issue to discuss. Feedback should be presented to the council to facilitate the creation of a relevant policy. Draft a motion to mandate the executive committee to advocate for this with the university. Officers are encouraged to assist you in composing this motion. • Each school has its own general declaration, and there is no universal policy at the university level. • Issues related to campus and facilities can be directed to the estates department or Mina, such as a broken water fountain. • The opening times for Blanch Library will need to be determined by a motion mandate or policy set here. • It has been noted that this is the longest period during which the chair has not observed any motions or policies being proposed. This responsibility lies with the Student Council, and the chair is unclear as to why there are currently no motions or policies under consideration. The rent framework was dropped a few weeks ago, and it is the responsibility of the executive to lead by example. The executive should be setting a precedent for Student Councillors to propose motions. • The chair encourages the council to review the existing motions and policies to familiarise themselves with what is currently in place. 	
12. Date of Next Meeting	Action item
Thursday 5 th Feb. 2025 CQ	