

Agenda:

UCDSU Council Meeting 1

Monday, 19th October 2020, 6pm

Venue - Online

(a) The declaration of a quorum by roll call.

The roll checked with sign-in system pre-Council

(b) Minutes arising of the previous meeting.

No minutes of the previous meeting, since this is Council 1.

(c) Matters arising.

No matters arising, since this is Council 1.

(d) The election of the Council Chairperson

Secretary for Council - Joanna Siewierska

- Proposed by Conor Anderson (UCDSU President)
- Seconded by Ruairí Power (Welfare Officer)
- Appointed by majority vote.

Chair for Council - Niall Torris

- Proposed by Conor Anderson (UCDSU President)
- Seconded by Carla Gummerson (Graduate Officer)
- Appointed by majority vote.

(e) The adoption of Standing Orders for council

The Chair explained the operation of the standing orders to Council and proceeded to a vote.

Standing orders were adopted by a majority vote.

(f) Campaign coordinator elections

The Chair handed the floor over to the Returning Officer.

The Returning Officer, Marina Lambrakis, explained the run through of elections.

The Speeches for the Campaign Forum elections began, followed by an opening of the electronic ballot. The ballot would remain open for 24 hours to allow members of Council to cast their votes.

(h) Motions on notice.

No motions on notice were submitted.

(i) Items for discussion.

What social activity council wants to partake in regularly to momentarily replace after council clubhouse pints – Leighton Gray, Campaigns & Communications Officer

- Zoom rooms have been effective with class groups, so could work well for council too.
- Monthly game night, like cards against humanity?
- Game night and some discord, so we're not just chatting but also getting to know each other
- Kahoot quiz!
- Using discord a lot with class groups - but UCD wifi doesn't support it, so people in res might be left out or have to use data to participate.
- A zoom quiz every now and then, with prizes!
- Events in college constituencies. Connect reps in colleges, and do social events.

(j) Items for noting.

Student Seats on Programme Boards – Hannah Bryson, Education Officer

Hannah deals with a variety of committees, one of them is Programme Boards. And, the SU has more seats than it is currently using, so she wants to increase student representation on these boards.

Eg, with science we fill 1 or 2, out of 7 seats!

If you're interested in this, email Hannah. The aim is to try to fill it with class reps, and if not, then the seats will be open to the student body. The information is in a document in the council folder in drive.

A point to note - The forums are just there to discuss issues, whereas programme boards go into more detail, eg there was one today that dealt with internships and a vote took place. More of a decision making body.

A metaphor - the student forum is like the items for discussion. The programme board is like the items for approval.

(k) Items for approval.

No items for approval were submitted.

(l) The reports of each Executive Officer, Campaign Coordinator and ENTs Forum Officer.

No reports for the Campaign Coordinators and Ents Forum, as they are just being elected.

Conor Anderson, UCDSU President - Report was submitted late

- Mostly taken as read and presented key points for 2 minutes.
- Questions were answered about the bottom-up approach of the fee reduction campaign, and reimbursements for students leaving campus residences early.
- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council

Leighton Gray, UCDSU Campaigns and Engagement Officer - Report was submitted on time

- Presented the report for 2 mins.
- No questions arising out of the report.
- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council.

Sarah Michalek, UCDSU Ents Officer - Report was submitted on time

- Presented the report for 2 minutes.
- Question about entering the voucher competition (on the Entstagram).
- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council

Hannah Bryson, UCDSU Education Officer - Report was submitted late

- Presented the report for 2 minutes.
- Question about training for reps who take up seats on programme boards. Topics could include public speaking, jargon, motion writing and such.
- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council

Ruairí Power, UCDSU Welfare Officer - Report was submitted late

- Presented the report for 2 minutes.
- No questions arising out of the report.
- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council

Carla Gummerson, UCDSU Graduate Officer - Report was submitted on time

- Presented the report for 2 mins
- Question about provision of period products in all bathrooms (yes). Question about the support for the Direct Provision campaign among the student body - campaign was well received, and collection of period products for DP centres was very successful.
- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council

Míde Nic Fhionnlaóich, UCDSU Law College Officer - Report was submitted on time

- Report largely taken as read.
- Please get in contact so she can organise college council.
- No questions arising out of the report.
- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council.

Lauren Maunsell, UCDSU Arts Humanities and Social Sciences College Officer - Report was submitted on time

- Report largely taken as read.
- No questions arising out of the report.
- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council.

Sophie O'Leary, UCDSU Arts Humanities and Social Sciences College Officer - Report was submitted on time

- Report largely taken as read.
- No questions arising out of the report.

- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council.

Marta Geszczak, UCDSU Health Sciences College Officer - Report was submitted on time

- Report largely taken as read.
- No questions arising out of the report.
- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council.

Corey Power de Jong, UCDSU Engineering and Architecture College Officer - Report was submitted on time

- Report largely taken as read.
- No questions arising out of the report.
- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council.

Tadhg Ó Maoldhomhnaigh, UCDSU Oifigeach na Gaeilge - Report was submitted on time.

- Not present - Adoption of the report will be deferred to the next meeting.

Emily Moore, UCDSU Science College Officer - Report was submitted on time

- Report largely taken as read.
- No questions arising out of the report.
- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council.

Liam Coyle, UCDSU Business College Officer - Report was submitted on time

- Report largely taken as read.
- Question about promotion of class rep elections in the College of Business. There were limitations as a result of campus being closed. All available routes were exhausted by the team.
- The report was adopted by a majority vote of Council.

Lucy Reid, UCDSU Ag, Food and Vet College Officer - Report was submitted on time

- Not present - Adoption of the report will be deferred to the next meeting.

(m) Questions on notice.

No questions on notice,

(n) Questions not on notice.

Question re hoodies - email David.Fitzsimons@ucdsu.ie.

Question about timing of class rep training.

o) All discussions deferred to the instant meeting from any previous meeting, which discussion shall include the hearing of the report of any committee of Council and the taking of any vote consequent upon such report or discussion.

No previous meeting

(p) Motions not on notice.

None were submitted

(q) Submission of motions to be on notice for next meeting.

2nd of November.

If you wish to submit any motions or items for noting and discussion, send them to the Secretary by the 30th of October.

(r) Any Other Business.

Ruairi Power (UCDSU Welfare Officer) - plugging the UCD 100 challenge. Fun way to engage with your class, even with Level 5!

Chair thanked Council members. Final note, it's very important for all members of council to be respectful and use the correct pronouns for individuals.