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**UCDSUL  
Executive Meeting  
29 January 2015**

**Present:**

Feargal Hynes (President) FH  
Maeve De Say (Welfare & Equality Officer) MDS  
Anabel Castañeda (Graduate Education Officer) AC  
Padraig Curry (Ag & Vet Convenor) PC  
Conor Rock (Arts Convenor) CR  
Cian Byrne (Engineering and Architecture Convenor) CB  
Mollie Bruton (Health Science Convenor) MB  
Melanie O'Donovan (Human Sciences Convenor) MOD  
Éanna Ó Braonáin (Oifigeach na Gaeilge) ÉÓB  
Dave McElligott (Science Convenor) DME

**Apologies:**

Amy Fox (Undergraduate Education Officer) AF  
Laura Brohan (Business & Law Convenor) LB

**In Attendance:** Devin Finneran (Secretary UCDSU Council)

**Meeting starts at 18:00pm**

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### Approval of Minutes from last meeting

- Minutes approved

### Reports

**FH** – Any questions on reports?

**MOD** - Can we release that Intro to Arts has been removed?

**FH** – That will have to be passed through UMT first.

**DME** – Just on my own report, the Science Bible which I started has turned out to be too much work. I need help to compile it so I will start reaching out to reps and possibly more!

**CB** – We have a similar document for Engineering, it's made on Outlook, I'll talk to you about it after this.

### Items to be Discussed

#### 1) Referendums

**FH** – Conor Rock, Lexi Kilmartin and Paul Dockery are running the 'Yes to Constitutional Change' campaign. All of exec are free to work on both referendums but they most do so unpaid. Grace Williams and Sam Blanckensee are running the 'Yes to Marriage Equality' campaign. These referendums will run by the help of the returning office and as soon as I receive the details of materials allowance I will pass it on. Tuesday will become a massive day as we will have the Quinn box in operation as well as the primary placement ballot boxes, Wednesday will be just as mad as usual. We need exec to put in the work and get reps in gear!

**DME** – What am I allowed to say on the Science pages?

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**FH** – Say what you want! We just sent out our press release and asked that if there are any 'no' campaigns that they contact the returning office immediately.

**DME** – Do we have cover photos etc for promotion?

**FH** – Yes! We will also need to be at the poster run earlier next week as it was completely mad today. I cannot stress enough that people need to take responsibility for their own reps.

**CR** – Will we be getting t-shirts?

**AC** – Probably 'Get out and Vote' t-shirts.

**FH** – Agreed, and they will be blue to get a coloured presence! Pitch to your audience when canvassing people. I'd imagine a lot of people will be interested in the C&C officer coming back.

**MB** – The health sciences class reps were looking for main bullet points so I made a doc which I can send on!

**FH** – Brian is currently working on something so it would be great if you could forward that onto him please. We need to motivate people to vote and ensure that college councils understand the changes. We also need to make sure that all of the reps understand how council works!

**ÉÓB** – Will there be rainflow flags in all faculties?

**FH** – The University is required to remain neutral. We need to set voter targets in the different buildings and smash them. Focus on small classes leaving lectures and try to work with societies.

**MDS** – There was a great crowd at the Marriage Equality townhall meeting

**DME** – We need to push the fact that we really want to be behind the ME Referendum!

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## Items to be Noted

### 1) Sex Out Loud

**MDS** – SHAG week has been reinvented to Sex Out Loud and the main aim is to ensure everyone knows that consent comes first. We will be packing safe sex packs tomorrow morning and distributing them throughout next week. We are kicking off with a screening of Thelma and Louise on Monday, we have burlesque on Tuesday, a quiz on Wednesday and blind tinder in the bar on Thursday evening.

**DME** – What time will you be packing at in the morning?

**MDS** – I'm waiting on a phone call but I will let you guys know!

**MB** – What's the plan for distribution.

**MDS** – We can look at distributing through faculties with the help of the convenors.

### 2) New Board Members

**FH** – The board has now been three years in existence and terms last three years. There has recently been a lot of reshuffling as we have brought in new members to replace members who have stepped down. We have brought Justin Sinnott, Ciara Brennan and Anthony Kelly on recently and they all have their own specialities.

## Any Other Business

### 1) Council Monday, 26<sup>th</sup> January

**FH** – I think the debate was very strong at council and it flowed very well. Different issues which were brought to my attention have been addressed and hopefully communication will improve from here.

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## 2) Standing Orders

**ÉÓB** – Is it possible to change the standing orders? It would probably make more sense if motions and reports were due at the same time as they are sent out at the same time anyways?

**FH** – We can form a sub committee after the constitutional referendum and this group will report back to Council.

## 3) Health Sciences Convenor

**FH** – As you all know Mollie will be going away on February 21<sup>st</sup>. To relieve pressure, Mollie has appointed one of her reps so that they can sit on exec and communicate messages to the faculty. Technically this rep will not be officially appointed but they will be attending on Mollie's behalf.

**VOTE:** Passed.

## 4) Diversity Week

**MOD** – This will be taking place in Week 6 and I am working with Maeve, Sam, Grace, Sinead and Matthew from the campaigns forum on it. If anyone would like to help you are more than welcome.

**FH** – Alumni have started sponsoring students to come to college so it would be worth getting in contact with them!

**End of Meeting:** 19:00pm

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