

**Eighth Meeting of the UCDSU Executive**  
**UCDSU Boardroom**  
**Wednesday 26th October 6pm**

**Meeting Starts: 6pm**

**In Attendance:**

Conor Viscardi (Chair)- UCDSU President [CV]  
Lexi Kilmartin - Education Officer and Deputy President [LK]  
Luke Fitzpatrick- Campaigns and Communications Officer [LF]  
Cian Casey- Graduate Officer [CC]  
Liam Brady- Arts and Human Sciences Officer [LB]  
Lida Petra O'Shea- Engineering and Architecture Officer [LPOS]  
Sean Kilgarriff- Science Officer [SK]  
Roisin O Mara- Welfare Officer [ROM]  
Francis Roche- Arts and Human Sciences Officer [FR]  
Joseph Millerick- Agriculture and Vet Officer [JM]  
Jonathan Byrne- Business and Law Officer [JB]  
Eoghain Mac Domhnaill – Irish Languages [EMD]

**1. Introduction**

**a. Apologies**

Rebecca Hart

**b. Approval of Minutes from Exec 7**

**[CC]**

2b. Change to Colin Scott

*(Approved)*

**2. Updates from sabbatical team(reports circulated and taken as read)**

**a. President [CV]**

- Taken as read
- Thanks for trad tuesday

**[JM]**

Midterms for Ags so turnout could be higher for trad Tuesday later in year

**[EMD]**

Same for science

- Referendum - met with Hugh O Connor. Ref materials come in tomorrow.

**[CC]**

What's happening with busking?

**[CV]**

Set up subcommittee to deal with it as wasn't working out doing it myself.

**b. Welfare [ROM]**

- Taken as read
- Programme board - welfare of students on placements
- Talking to mark rodgers about issues of sexual assault - need to promo student portal links
- Meeting colin scott next week about consent
- Rectify on budget cuts at next council

**c. Graduate [CC]**

- Taken as read
- Removal of latin on parchment
- NUI logo must be on parchment
- Want to see an increase of Irish in Ceremony
- Graduations still at same times but more ceremonies

**d. Education [LK]**

- Report as read
- Nursing midwifery - students on placement -external
- Working on exams - as per constitution.
- Academic council -early Nov
- Dean of undergraduate studies meeting.

[ROM]

Did you get teaching awards sorted?

[LK]

No, but I emailed them that we didn't have any volunteers.

[JM]

When are the student hubs?

[LK]

I have Ag building sorted and planned for tomorrow.

[LK] Any ideas for exams please tell me - has to be sorted for next week. One idea is chill zones for exams - beanbags etc, relaxed atmosphere for students. Outside during for summer exams if it goes ahead. 10th-22nd Dec

[FR]

Verdict on Vet hub from last week?

[LK]

Did not have as much interaction as we hoped.

[ROM]

I think it is important to note this is the first time we have done this and it is very out of the norm for students so they may be wary with approaching the hub until it becomes a more regular fixture.

**e. C&C [LF]**

- Working on campaigns
- Referendum - Ronaldo wants to get international discussion in global lounge. Both sides 10 mins max themselves.

- Website - will work on all friday. Need blurbs.

[CC]

This was addressed a few weeks ago and should have been done.

- Meme strategy not working as well with class reps, need to contact class reps to get them to participate.
- Halloween tomorrow newman and bar.
- Zulu tonight - focus on next week.
- Use book to advantage at this time - exam info for students.

[JM]

SU hubs - should we be promoting referendum at these?

[LK]

Promoting students using their vote and flyers are arriving today.

[LB]

Should we incorporate dear first year me too?

[LK]

Yes that would be easily done.

### 3. Updates from College Officers (reports circulated and taken as read)

#### a. Ag and Vet

- Radio station show in Farmers Journal
- Advertise Ag ball and mystery tour
- People looking for second microwave in Ag common room.
- Stay on looking for fountain

[LF]

Push for campus services to tell us the bathroom tap water condition - is it drinkable? Could do with signs to clarify.

#### b. Arts and Human Sciences x 2

[FR]

- Taken as read
- David farrell cancelled meeting

[LB]

- Newman halloween all day.
- First years to set up class pages.
- Asked for links to rep pages to advertise Newman Halloween.

#### c. Business and Law [JB]

- Got reps availability for setting up meetings.
- College council tomorrow - reps to promote referendum
- Will get added to facebook groups
- Got member for academic council
- Instagram going well.

[LF]

Was on to David - think college officer takeover on instagram is not as good as snapchat takeover.

**d. Eng and Arch [LPOS]**

*Lida left at 6.30*

**e. Health Science [RH]**

*Absent.*

**f. Irish Language [EMD]**

- Taken as read
- Almost half done with translation of constitution
- Conradh offered deal with class reps for groups.

**g. Science [SK]**

- Taken as read
- Two social event - mix sci, compu sci

**4. Big projects/ Initiatives updates [CV]**

- Referendum
- [LK] Study abroad fair - 15 volunteers, weds two weeks

**5. Plan for the week [CV]**

- Upskilling event next weds
- [LF] Healthy eating - SU shops happy with how it's going

**6. Items for discussion [CV]**

- Very limited time for active campaigning by campaign teams for referendum
- Officers should be promoting existence of referendum
- We need to reach quorum for the vote -speak to class reps, friends, constituencies to ensure plenty of people go out to vote.

[ROM]

needs to be done in a democratic manner, people must be informed this is on.

[LF]

we need to deliver on promises and vote well to maintain good relationship with politicians.

[LK]

you and class reps obligated to promote voting and distribute info material - posters for each building.

**7. Items for noting**

**8. AOB**

**i) Feedback from College officers on referendum:**

- [SK] messaged class reps - still no posts in groups, will do myself. People are curious

[ROM]

Do you think people know about it?

**[SK]**

Yes.

- **[EMD]** My group don't know what they are voting for, need an explanation.
- **[LB]** They have started lecture addressing but confusion over results and consequences of yes and no.
- **[JB]** Been promoting it in person, posts in groups I'm in but not sure of other groups. Will ask at college council.
- **[FR]** Hear discussion in basement but not sure where majority lie on the issue.
- **[JM]** Haven't heard too much. Will post in groups.
- **[ROM]** vets are engaged and feel strongly on the matter.

**[LF]**

Exec minutes ready to go up?

**[CV]**

Yes.

**Meeting ends: 6.50pm**