

**Exec #3**  
**13th November 2023**  
**Minutes**

**Attending:** AH, Law, Ag, Science, Eng, SocSci, Health Sciences, President, Education, C&E,  
Graduate, Irish Language

**Apologies:** Business

**Union Updates:**

- Protest 14th November - Palestinian Solidarity Demo.
- Book of Remembrance for Vicky Phelan 12-2
- Exam Info Sessions happening this and next week
- 17/11 International Students' Day
- 20/11 Walking Debate with L&H at 11-12.30
- 20/11 Placement Pack Packing 1.30 to 4.30
- 20/11 Trade Union Week next week (20th-25th November)
- 20/11 Trans Day of Remembrance Vigil, 4.30pm
- Linda Kelly Talk at 5pm
- Union Council #3 at 6pm
- Discussion over Constitutional Review brought up by Health Sciences CO.

**Sabbat Updates/Items**

**President Update:**

- Accommodation Survey - leafleting to students during main commuting times to get students to fill in the survey before the end of November. Discussion over when to leaflet/availability of College Officers.
- Exec elections coming up - Starting discussion over elections, encouraging people to run and giving them information. Highlighting the importance of elections and the importance that students vote. Discussion of whether elections will take place in person or online/paper ballot or iPad.
- Food voucher situation was sorted. Framework put in place for Student Advisors who will distribute them. Priority students will be students in Direct Provisions and students without facilities to make food or enough funds to buy groceries. Students will be assessed by need in January.
- Cultural event series - asking CO to bring up what

**Graduate Officer Update:** Mature Student Survey - launched in Global Lounge 14th November.

**C&E**

- Reminder: Be responsible with social media.
- We are posting weekly posts on Sundays in @ucdsu to advertise activities happening throughout the week. They will be saved in a highlight section in Instagram.
- Constituencies spreadsheet was shared with College Officers to review the constituencies and change things if they want.

**Education Officer**

- Staff-Student Partnership Forum will take place, 23/11 at 12pm.

## College Officer Updates/Items

### **EngArch College Officer:**

- Proposal to split EngArch constituency. Discussion over names of new constituencies. New names: Engineering College Officer. Architecture & Planning College Officer. New names will be put forward in Council.
- Staff/Student Forum for engineering - CO asks how to recommend people to staff/student Forum.

### **Law College Officer:**

- Erasmus networking event to provide support to outgoing students.
- Issue with constituencies. Wondering if Crim w. Psych should fall under Law.

### **Science College Officer:**

- Met with Jeremy Simpson - he said that he doesn't know what a class rep is. CO mentioned the seating in Science to ask about the pods in science and whether they can be used and booked by students. CO mentioned the possibility of asking for more seats. JS mentioned the need to collect data to see what seating was wanted by students. CO wants to create a survey to collect data. Point of Action: CO to email [DPO@ucdsu.ie](mailto:DPO@ucdsu.ie) to create a survey.
- For Climate Action Policy: Thought to mandate to create a group chat for Climate Action. No consensus was reached.

### **Health Sciences College Officer:**

- 16/11 Health Science Info Session
- 22/11 Health Science Trade Union Roadshow
- 27/11 Breast and Testicular Cancer Info Session
- Staff-Student Partnership Forum - Brought up issues with Class Ambassadors and lack of clarity coming from the schools when electing class reps/class ambassadors. CO asked how class reps get elected from the school. No response yet. CO asked the reason

### **Irish Language:**

- Setting up Coiste Gaeilge - Point of Action: email Finbarr to record reel.
- Question about booking rooms - answer: email Emma.