



dit students' union

Minutes: DITSU *Rathmines* Class Rep Meeting
Date: 22nd October 2009
Time: 1pm
Venue: *Rathmines*
Room: 1.03

Present:

Lorna Geraghty Class Rep Convenor
Tracey Flinter President
Sharon Hughes Student Support Advisor/Class Rep Clerk
 Class Reps Attendance sheet available

In Attendance:

Claire Healy Student Participation Co-Ordinator

Apologies:

Hannah Macaulay (Nomination for PTO)

Minutes: <i>The minutes were proposed by Jennifer Hughes and Seconded by Laura Pearse</i>	
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Matters Arising: <i>There are no matters arising</i>	
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Correspondence: No correspondence was received	
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Elections: Elections were held for the various democratic positions: 1. Governing Council: There was 1 nominations received, the nominee briefly introduced themselves to the group 1. Lynsey Curtin As there is 1 nominee for the remaining position Lynsey is deemed elected 2. Academic & Student Affairs sub committee: No nominations were received 3. Chief Operations & Communications sub committee: No nominations were received 4. Services & Trading sub committee: There was 1 nomination received Aine Donohoe, as Aine was the only nomination received she was automatically deemed elected 5. PTO's Nominations were received for three of the four position 1. <i>Environment (Green Helper): Laura Pearse</i> 2. <i>Communications: Helen Mahon</i> 3. <i>Entertainments: Aine Donohoe</i> - After a vote all three candidates were deemed elected, Congratulations to All!!! - Nominations are now re-open for: - Clubs and Societies Officer - Music Officer - Facilities and Services officer	

- Nominations will close on the 17 th November 2009	
<p>DITSU Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Governing Council: The second Governing Council will be held on the 4th November 2009, Councillors will receive the usual notification ● Class Rep and Governing Council Feedback: The Reps agreed it was an excellent event where DITSU 'Made Learning Fun'. They particularly praised the Ice-Breakers, band and magician. Lorna added that the Reps who attended were great and had done the rest of Rathmines proud and thanked them for their participation ● Health and Safety Week: H&S week was focussed on Monday where Aine and Lynsey manned a H&S desk with lots of goodies in the canteen. Everyone saw it/couldn't miss it and there was a great awareness around the site, well done girls! ● Toast: The deadline for this issue has now passed however there's always the next one!! If you are interested in writing something about anything get in contact. There is also a competition for the next cover, all details on www.ditsu.ie ● Walk in the Park: This was due to happen today but has been called off due to the horrendous weather, however its hoped to do a similar activity next semester when the weather is better ● Halloween Ball: The Ball is tonight in D2 tickets are 5. There is also a local Rathmines event being run by the music students in Tramco 	Action Box
<p>DIT Issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● HEA Funding: There was an open meeting held with the President and Directorate of the DIT on Monday the 19th october in Gleeson Hall where students were given the opportunity to ask questions about the current funding cuts. From that meeting Lorna has been able to schedule a meeting with Bríd Grant to discuss some of the issues for Rathmines. If anyone has any other issues please let Lorna know asap. Tracey added that in total 65 issues were raised at the meeting and a number of Directors claimed they were unaware of the problems faced and are working to address them. Its an on-going issue ● Canteen: Lorna and Seanie are still working on the couch situation. Lorna was asked where the old couches have gone. Lorna said her understanding is new furniture was expected and the old furniture was thrown out in anticipation, but it never arrived. Someone asked if they could locate some old furniture themselves but Lorna explained there might be some Health and Safety issues with this <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The water fountain is now fixed ● Someone tried to fix the computer but its still broke ● Review week: Is next week the 26th October 2009. Sharon won't be here that week either as no students are in 	Action Box <i>Lorna to report back</i> <i>Lorna to liaise with Seanie</i>
<p>Any Other Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The heater in the drama room is fixed ● The canteen is really messy and students aren't tidying up after themselves. There was a discussion on various options like campaigns etc and it was agreed Lorna and Laura the Green Helper would look into options ● The issue of a microwave in the canteen came up again. Lorna explained it was Health and Safety issues. It was suggested that Campbell's be asked to get a microwave and charge students for use ● The issue of amount of notice required by a lecturer was raised Lorna and Tracey directed the students to the Student Charter which outlines the rules and regulations around assignments. Lorna suggested that often these issues are best addressed locally by chatting to lecturers ● The Reps for DT501/1 wanted to know if/when they are formally elected. Also 	Action Box <i>Lorna and Laura to discuss</i> <i>Lorna to investigate</i>

<p>if there could be mirrors put on the second floor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Green Training for any students interested in their environment will be held on Saturday the 24th October 2009 in Trinity any and all students are welcome to attend. 	<p>Lorna to ask Seanie to look into</p>
<p>The meeting concluded at 2pm</p>	
<p>Date of next meeting: 18th November 2009</p>	