

MINUTE FORM

Aungier Street / BIMM CLASS REP MEETING

DATE: 03rd November 2020 TIME: 5pm VENUE: Meeting Via Zoom

Mark O'Donnell **PRESENT**

Rebecca Gorman

Chair & VP Events - City Campus President

Moya Browne

Deputy President - City Campus

POTENTIAL CLASS REPS 108

NUMBER OF CLASS REPS ELECTED TO DATE 28

NUMBER OF CLASS REPS PRESENT 28

IN ATTENDANCE Trish Cullen Student Advisor

Welcomes & Introductions	Action Box
Welcome – Mark welcomed Class reps to the 1st Class Rep meeting.	
Class Rep Facebook Page Here!	
Introductions: Chair & Clerk – Mark and Trish – Mark introduced himself as Chair of the meeting and spoke a little about himself and his role within the union. He then introduced Trish who is the Student Advisor within the Students Union and who is Clerk to the Class Rep Meetings.	
Role of the Class Rep Meetings – Mark explained why we have class rep meetings and the purpose of having them. He explained how class reps can bring up items where there are concerns from their class. From here we take on board all concerns and make action points for these concerns or queries to be dealt with.	

Minutes and Matters Arising:	Action Box
No Minutes or Matters Arising as this was the first meeting held	
Correspondence:	Action Box
No Correspondence received	
Elections:	Action Box
There are 6 positions available for Student Council and we have received 2 nominations.	
 Student Councillors – 6 positions available. 2 nominations received so far, Jake Kavanagh – Jake spoke for 2 mins Obafemi Adaraloye- Femi Spoke for 2 mins 	
School Reps – Mark explained the role of the school rep and told class reps that nominations are now re-open, links for nomination forms below.	
Following an online election (which opened for 24hrs after the class rep meeting) the following nominees were deemed elected to the student council. Congratulations to: Jake Kavanagh Obafemi Adaraloye	
Nominations for school rep and student council are now re-open and will close 25 th November 2020 – 3 days before our next meeting which is been held on Tuesday 1 st December at 5pm	
Link for Nomination Form for Student Council here Link for Nomination Form for School Rep here	
TU Dublin SU Issues	
Nominations for Deputy Chair to CRM is now re-open and will close 25 th November 2020 – 3 days before our next meeting which is been held on Tuesday 1 st December at 5pm Link to Nomination form for Deputy to CRM here Save the Date! Class Rep Training Tuesday 17th November @1pm until 2.30pm Wednesday 18th November @5pm until 6.30pm	
Save the Date! Student Councillor Training – To take place 9 th and 10 th November – Details also to follow	
Questions from the Class Reps	Action Box
With regards to classes having 2 class reps for class, please email advice@tudublin.ie please give information about the 2 reps. If 2 people got elected please contact us as we have had a few glitches, we are working through this but advise class reps to continue to attend class rep meeting until told otherwise.	

Student cards were supposed to be sent out this week, but students have still not received cards. Please email advice@tudublinsu.ie or trish.cullen@tudublinsu.ie and we will look into this for you.

Rebecca ask students how they found online learning? Recording lecturers came up because some lecturers will not record where they said they would record; they are saying they are not obliged to record lecturers. The Teacher Union is against this and they have an agreement with TU Dublin which states that lectures do not have to record lecturers.

A lot of tutorials are pre-recorded so therefore students cannot ask questions, first year are finding this very difficult.

Brightspace – first year students are struggling with using Brightspace, they have possibly not been trained on how to use Brightspace. They are not been given clear instructions on how to use Brightspace or Bongo. It was advised that students get in touch with you tutor's if you are having problems understanding Brightspace

One student did survey monkey which was then forwarded on to lecturer, feedback was gathered from class and as a result of this lecturers have implemented changes. – Class rep to send survey to Rebecca.

Lecturers are telling students to get into groups to take calls with each other to get to know each other, question been asked was how can students do this? And what is the best way about going about this. A discussion was had on how to do this. Students are struggling to make groups as some do not even know who are in their classes. Lecturers should be more facilitating. It was advised that students ask lecturers to maybe bring Mark (VP Events) in to do Icebreakers. Lecturers not giving students the opportunity to talk during lectures, they are been told to uses the chat function. Social aspect is much harder than lectures anticipate.

Mark will be announcing activities during the week. If you want to do something pacifically for you class, please contact mark events.cc@tudublinsu.ie with details on what you might like to do, and we will help facilitate this. We can also contact lecturers on your behalf to discuss further.

Deirdre Duffy does leadership and development. Deirdre gives students to opportunity to chat for 5 mins during class to chat to each other. This is done using Breakout rooms in Zoom. The lectures put students into groups and facilitate this. We will also speak with HOS to see if this can be pushed out more. The SU can do events to help with this. Again, just contact Mark.

Students are having a problem with foot noting, referencing, and citing. There is not enough information on how to do this. Some students do not know how to do this. Reference and citing – <u>Here the library offer advice on "how to" Referencing and citing information can be found here.</u>

No decisions have been made yet with regards to exams in January, we are pushing to have these done online as classes are being done online. We will be fighting for a decision to be made on this.

Accounting and Law lecturer, the first 4 weeks Brightspace wasn't set up, if you are having problems with this please contact lecturer if they are ignoring you then you should contact the advice email advice@tudublinsu.ie or Trish who is the Student Advisor trish.cullen@tudublinsu.ie

Mark VP Events

Refunding or cancelling contribution fees for this year?

We the union believe that education should be free, even without a pandemic. We pay the highest fees in Europe. It's not going to be TU Dublin who decide this, it is the government who decides this. This is a long-term issue.

Education for All is a Country wide campaign on access to education run by the Union of Students in Ireland alongside colleges across the country. TU Dublin SU are taking part in the lobbying efforts and emailing and tweeting all of our local TDs. We are asking them to sign the pledge which agrees to support a long term and sustainable plan for publicly funded higher education.

Actions for you to take:

Sign the Petition: https://my.uplift.ie/petitions/education-for-all-8

Share this campaign on social media with the #EducationForAll and tag your TD's

Contact your TD's - whoismytd.com

Ask them to sign the pledge for "Education for All".

A template email is here:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/12n92Y5iGZECv748NYYwdQ0J5cdKzydp1czlfur0kFgE/edit?usp=sharing

TU SU Updates

Mental Health Week events: Please click here for all upcoming events

RAG Crew: Would you like to help us raise money and awareness for the Irish Cancer Society, brainstorm new fundraising ideas and run events with us? Then join the RAG Crew via this link: <u>Join the RAG crew today!</u>

Fighting Cancer Championship:

The Fighting Cancer Championship is a 6 month long fundraising campaign running from November 2020 to May 2021.

Over the course of the campaign, students are challenged to raise as much money as they can for the Irish Cancer Society. Students can do sponsored challenges i.e. walk 100km in a month, dry January, sponsored silence etc. or host an online raffle, quiz, bingo, or whatever ideas you have!

Over the course of the year, the SU will also organise events/challenges that you can take part in to boost your fundraising tally.

Our fundraising target this year for the Students' Union is €20,000, and we'd love your support and enthusiasm from taking part in the Fighting Cancer Championship and raising what you can to help us achieve that goal!

To register for the challenge and to receive your fundraising pack, sign up here: https://forms.gle/JfQ8dd5Ta9rGQCnG6

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Time Meeting Concluded	6:15pm
Next Class Rep Meeting: 24 th November 2020 via Zoom – Link to follow	5pm