



TU Dublin Students' Union
Student Council Officer Report 22/23
Tuarascáil Oifigeach Comhairle na Mac Léinn
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Key Points Since Last Meeting

Príomhphointí ón gcruinniú deireanach

Training:

Prior to the 1st of July I took part in a number of crossover days with the outgoing events officer and once we took office on the 1st of July, we began 3 weeks of training. Our training included media, safe talk, disclosure, anti-bias & anti-racism with Black & Irish, tours of each of the campus, and general admin of our positions. We also took part in “Comms Week”, which consisted of populating the yearly calendar.

Supplemental Exam Campaign:

This was our first campaign of the year. I staffed the stand in Central Quad for the 1st few days. I met a lot of students and the stands had great engagement. I was able to secure 3000 free cans of Red Bull for the union to give out across all campuses and we also had other snacks and calculators to give out to students who needed them.

Post Grad BBQ:

In September we had our 1st post grad BBQ on a Saturday in Aungier Street, I assisted our Post Grad officer in the planning of the event, and it was well attended and went well.

USI:

Before taking office, I attended the crossover National Council at NUIG in June. I attended the council itself as well as several working groups. I also attended SUT (Students' Union Training) in Dundalk from the 11th – 14th of July with the majority of the exec. This involved a number of training workshops and networking with other SUs across the country. Following on from that I attended SUT+ in Coleraine from the 17th -19th of August which consisted of further training workshops and the first National Council. I also attended the pre-budget lobby day on the 5th of September in Dublin. I then attended the most recent National Council on the 30th – 1st of October in Waterford. At that council we tried to pass our motion to abolish the use of NDAs (non-



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disclosure agreements) in the use of bullying, sexual harassment and discrimination. Unfortunately, this motion had been 9D'd. The motion was sent to the Welfare working group. The working group took place the next day and I was the only member of our exec in attendance. The chair wished to delay the motion till congress in April, but I spoke on behalf of the union and spoke on how this was needed as soon as possible and those in attendance agreed. Lastly, I attended the USI Dublin Regional Group team bonding.

Freshers:

We were in a unique position this year that we are fully out of covid and moved into the Grangegorman campus. We have been working very well with the University in the last couple of years and we decided to collaborate with sports and societies on the renting of 2 marquees. One of which was at Rathdown House for 2 weeks and one at the Lower House for 2 weeks. I am very happy with how the whole Freshers Festival went. Students really engaged with all the events and every single event in the city centre sold out. It was a amazing chance for us to get out and meet students and get our faces out there. The President got a great reaction at the Freshers Ball and spent hours at the door chatting to students as the came in.

Overall, we ran 63 events and activations across the 3 weeks and all campuses. Although I am elected for the City Campus I assisted in booking events, activations and performers for the other campuses, but they were run on the day by officers on site.

Night Time Events:

Welcome to Dublin Walking Tour – 40/40 Tickets sold

Lock In @ Pinto – 50/50 Tickets sold

Let Loose – Freshers Edition – 700/700 Tickets Sold

Pizza & Pint @ Boco – 100/100 Tickets Sold

Trolly Crawl – 180/180 Tickets Sold

Freshers Tiki Night – 150/150 Tickets Sold

Woolshed Quiz – 80/80 Tickets Sold

Brick and Beer – 50/50 Tickets Sold

Drink and Draw – 130/130 Tickets Sold



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Freshers Ball – 850/850 Tickets Sold
 Let's Get Quizical 130/130 Tickets Sold

Day Time Events:

We ran over 30 on site events across all campuses during Freshers including:

- Wooly Farm Petting Zoo x 3
- Ice Cream, Candyfloss, Popcorn x 5
- Mechanical Bull x 2
- Inflatable Obstacle Course x 4
- Speed Friending
- Bricks and beats x 2
- Pool Competition x 3
- Super Nintendo Day
- Hypnotist Jason O'Callaghan x 3
- Zorbing Football x 2
- Bus Eireann Freebies
- Pepsi Max Challenge
- Coca Cola Zone
- Pop Up Vintage Store
- Trebor Mints Freebies and Photo Booth
- Pieta House/Sam's Barbers Free Haircuts for Men's Mental Health
- Various Game Days

Student Walkout and Sleep Out:

Following on from a motion from USI the SU took part in the National Student Walkout on the 13th of October. I attended the Central Quad in GG with our President Brian Jordan. The Event was a good success and was attended by around 1500 students in Grangegorman. The following night I attended our sleepout protest with several the exec and students.

Social Media:

It was decided during comms week that in the absence of a comms exec for the moment I would



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take lead on our Instagram and Tik Tok accounts to ensure consistent posting etc. Since July the Instagram has grown by over 4000 followers (currently 12.2k Followers) and engagement is at an all time high. Our Tik Tok has been doing well and has close to 2000 followers and close to half a million views since we started posting content. We have been focusing on fun engaging content on the tik tok account which seems to be going down well with students. Now that we have a comms exec in place, we are trying to find a balance in terms of posting.

Orientation:

I helped roll out orientations across the city campus with all the other elected officials. I think they were a great success, and it was a hectic couple of weeks along with putting the finishing touches to all our Freshers Events. I think when we were able to do them as a team, they went super well and although it differed from group-to-group students seemed super engaged.

Halloweek:

Halloweek is happening from the 24th-27th of October. I have 3 events planned. A pizza and Pint Social, a Haunted Tour and The Halloween Ball in association with IADTSU

Cost Of Living Protest:

I attended the cost-of-living protest in Dublin City Centre with our colleagues from USI! I felt it was important to attend from a union standpoint. The Deputy President from Blanchardstown and our Post Grad Officer also attended. The march was very well attended and hopefully was a step in the right direction.

Student Media Outlet:

2 years ago, council actioned the union to create an independent student led media outlet. Unfortunately, the previous exec didn't follow through on this, so I am taking it on this year. Now that Freshers is over I am making this one of my focuses for the next period and so far, I have contacted Trinity to see how they're run their 2 student newspapers. Updates to follow soon.



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Meetings Attended (and Number) <i>Tinrimh Choistí agus Cruinnithe (agus Líon)</i>	Priorities for Next Period <i>Tosaíochtaí don chéad tréimhse eile</i>
SU meets Student Services Comms Planning Societies, SU, Sports meeting - 6 Orientation Planning - 2 Constitution Discussion - 2 Comms Week Aug 8th-12th Freshers Planning - 3 Exec Meeting – 11 Content Weekly meeting Healthy Campus Common Room Activity Planning Sam's Barbers meeting – Freshers Meeting Academy x 3 Meeting Pinto x 3 Meeting Ohana Meeting with Sports/Societies x 4 Meeting with Walk 21 Panel Meeting with IMNDA Meeting about silent disco Meeting with Alt Dublin Meeting with Welfare team Meeting with Education Team USI Working Groups: Welfare x 2 EMC X 4 Dublin Regional WG X 3	Halloween Mini Rag Fundraising Grad Ball Student Media Outlet



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Events/Activities Attended <i>Tinrimh Imeachtaí / Gníomhaíochtaí</i>	Annual Leave Taken <i>Saoire bhliantúil</i>
Crossover Training SUT (Student Union Training) SUT + National Council Waterford Team Bonding USI Pre Budget Lobby Day Cost of Living Protest Welcome to Dublin Walking Lock In @ Pinto Let Loose – Freshers Edition Pizza & Pint @ Boco Trolley Crawl Freshers Tiki Night Woolshed Quiz Brick and Beer Drink and Draw	



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Mandates (Complete/In Progress/Uncompleted) Sainorduithe (Déanta / Ar Siúl / Le Déanamh)	Comments Ráitis



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Student Media Outlet – In Progress	
Gifts Received <i>Bronntanais a Fuarthas</i>	Personal Expenses <i>Costaisí phearsanta</i>
Uniform – 3 x long sleeve, 1 x jumper Food at pinto meeting USI T shirt	n/a
Any Other Matters <i>Aon nithe eile</i>	