



MINUTE FORM

MINUTES: Class Rep Meeting
CAMPUS: City Campus – Rathmines & BIMM
DATE: 15th October 2019
TIME: 1pm
ROOM: Boardroom

PRESENT

Aoife Meagher	Rathmines & BIMM College Officer
Pierre Yimbog	Overall President
Barry Egan	VP Events and Engagement

POTENTIAL CLASS REPS

15

NUMBER OF CLASS REPS ELECTED TO DATE

13

NUMBER OF CLASS REPS PRESENT

10

IN ATTENDANCE

Susie Young	Student Advisor
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Minutes and Action Items	Action Box
<i>As this was the first meeting of 2019/20, there were no previous minutes or action items.</i>	
Correspondence	Action Box
<i>There was no correspondence received.</i>	
Elections	Action Box
Reminqiusz Daczkowski of BIMM addressed the meeting about his nomination for Student Council. He was deemed elected by a majority 'show of hands' vote.	
Items for Discussion	Action Box

<p>Mental Health Awareness Week</p> <p>The College Officer spoke on Mental Health week. The animal farm in Aungier Street on Monday, October 14th was enjoyed as part of the events for the week by the students in attendance and was deemed a great success. Some events on during the week include yoga, pilates, and a movie night in GG.</p>	<p>Reps to inform class of Mental Health Week Events and encourage attendance.</p>
<p>Grangegorman</p> <p>The President gave an update on the move of Rathmines to Grangegorman next year. He gave details on the East Quad which will be the new home to Rathmines as part of the Conservatory of Music and Drama. This does not apply to BIMM. The buildings should be completed by April 2020 and many of the TU Dublin City Campus Colleges will have moved to their new GG site by September 2020, including Rathmines. The Head of the Conservatory of Music and Drama has advised that there will be no capacity for external students to hold showcases in the building these are held in, but there will potentially be capacity from April 2020 after the GG building completion.</p>	<p>Details are on the FB page: https://www.facebook.com/tudublinsu/photos/rpp.1744768575577739/2422106411177282/?type=3&theater</p>
<p>Rath & BIMM students can forward queries on this to orla.mcdonagh@tudublin.ie</p>	
<p>Microwaves</p> <p>The President gave an update on the new microwave installed in Aungier Street beside the Grumpy Mule. The Union will not be adding a microwave to the Rathmines campus they are due to move to GG next year. A rep mentioned that there was a microwave in the basement of Rath and suggested a cleaning rota for it. The C.O advised that this was a health and safety concern.</p>	<p>C.O to follow up with H&S check on microwave.</p>
<p>Canteen</p> <p>A rep addressed the poor standards of the canteen which the room was in agreement with. There are no card machines and the food can be stale and of a poor standard. The canteen provided was also addressed, and the Overall President advised of the controversy surrounding their business relationship with Direct Provision centres. Among these issues includes the company's poor treatment of staff and an unacceptable standard of food offered to refugees for every meal.</p>	<p>Reps to inform classmates to bring all canteen issues to the attention of estates: estates.city@tudublin.ie</p>
<p>Halloween</p> <p>The Vice President for Events and Engagement spoke on the many Halloween themed events that the SU will host the week of the 21/10. There will be a free haunted tour of Grangegorman and a Halloween ball in the Workman's Club on the 24th of October. Tickets are €5 and there will be a prize for best dressed. A rep queried the number of people expected to attend. The VP E&E informed the reps that only 150 tickets are available so it's important to let classmates know to purchase them early in order to avoid disappointment.</p>	<p>If this bounces, contact estates.helpdesk@dit.ie</p>
<p>AOB</p> <p>Sustainability</p>	

<p>A rep raised concerns that there is a need for more environmental awareness on campus e.g campaigns and posters. The S.A advised that the union is working on a sustainability section of the website which will feature lots of content on the same, and videos. The VP E&E gave details on the videos which the VP for Welfare has made. The issue of the recycling bins was also raised. Reps are concerned that all material is ending up in landfill and not being recycled. The President advised that these concerns are being addressed by the VP Welfare and measures are to be put in place to ensure GG has adequate recycling facilities.</p>	<p>Class Reps to inform class of details of Halloween events. https://www.facebook.com/events/688985414955794/</p>
<p>Library A rep stated that students are 'desperate' for the library to open 30 minutes earlier at 8.30am as opposed to it's current 9am opening time as students are unable to print class materials before morning lectures. The Sabbaticals in attendance informed reps of the power of numbers and that the best measure is to have reps and their class mates bring this to the attention of the library and Estates.</p>	<p>Reps to advise classmates to email estates.city@tudublin.ie and the library to request earlier opening hours.</p>
<p>Facilities Reps raised concerns over the condition of the toilets which do not appear to be regularly cleaned and have regular issues with pipes. The ladies toilets sanitary product machines are regularly empty and the men's soap dispensers are often empty. The couches have been taken away from the Rath common areas and the students have nowhere to relax. The C.O advised they had been taken away for cleaning and were deemed to not be in a fit condition to return. Reps asked if requesting new couches would be ignored due to the GG move. The President advised that all requests are worth bringing to the attention of estates and that couches specifically can be moved to GG making them a more easily achievable goal. The cleanliness of drama room 101 was raised. Some reps advised of the recent cleaning of the room undertaken by students. Reps agreed this shouldn't be up to students and that estates again should be contacted to oversee this.</p>	<p>Reps to advise classmates to report all facilities and safety issues to the estates email above.</p>
<p>Societies Reps addressed the issues Rathmines & BIMM can have when starting societies as there is not a lot of engagement and often small numbers of potential recruits. Some drama students were advised by lecturers to not join Drama Soc, but it was determined by reps andt the President that there was no rule stating they could not, and this was just advice. The C.O advised reps to inform their classmates and anyone interested in setting up a society that the Societies Office is more than happy to help with this. Reps agreed that when they move to GG the recruitment of members would be much easier.</p>	
<p>Most Engagement The C.O awarded prizes to the two reps who contributed most to the meeting.</p>	
<p>Time meeting concluded:</p>	
<p>Date of next meeting:</p>	