

TU Dublin Students' Union Student Council Officer Report 22/23

Tuarascáil Oifigeach Comhairle na Mac Léinn Aontas na Mac Leinn, Ollscoil Teicneolaíochta, Baile Átha Cliath 22/23



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Key Points Since Last Meeting

Príomhphointí ón gcruinniú deireanach

Welcome back to another student council!

I hope you are enjoying the experience as much as I am. Remember, we as an executive team are mandated to work for you, the student. So, as we move into the third council meeting, it is important that you ask questions. You are great at letting us know what we do well, but there is always room for improvement. Also, just so you know in advance I've put more information about my roles on the governing body and TUDSU clg (with the elections recently, I thought it might be of interest to some of you why we attend).

With Christmas coming and exams looming, it is also important to mind yourself and at this stage you know my office is always open to you. Give me a text or call on 086 065 4572.

Referendum and By-Election

My annual leave ended on Monday 21st November. I was supported in the referendum promotion by some amazing student councillors who volunteered their time. Unfortunately, I was the only officer on site until Thursday (22/11 – 24/11), so I was grateful for those who volunteered time to speak to students and shoutout to Lee who helped me deliver class addresses! As we know the referendum passed!

New officers

We elected two new part-time officers - Lee and Paddy. They have already hit the ground running! I was alone on campus this week (28/11 - 2/12), so the guys have kept the office open when I had to work offsite. Well done Lee and Paddy. I appreciate you and think Blanch students are lucky to have your support.

Governing Body

Brian, Jess and I attended Governing Body on 23/11. We attend these meetings with TUD President David Fitzpatrick and senior management of the university to ensure there is student representation in all decisions made at this level. It is also an appointment approved by the <u>Dept of higher education, innovation and science.</u>, therefore we are unable to discuss what happens at these meetings due to confidentiality agreements. I am honoured to be in this position and take it seriously in every aspect.

This week we attended training around Freedom of Information and GDPR requests which was interesting and informative. It really helps getting training for these board meetings and helps us perform better in the TU Dublin CLG board meetings.

TU Dublin CLG Board Meetings

Hr Nominations and Process Committee / HR sub committee

As part of my role in the TUDSU board, I am part of the hiring panel for many positions. Along with the student directors, we also went to market to recruit directors from industry. We reviewed applications and agreed on the successful candidate. We are also recruiting two new student advisors to support the Blanchardstown and Tallaght campuses. This is a positive step into ensuring that there is always someone to keep the office open!

Finance, audit and risk committee



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We met on 2/12 and discussed anything relevant to the financial running of the business.

Board Meeting will happen on the 12/12/22. The two sub committees will present to the entire board if anything must be approved or changed.

NStEP Conference

I attended a full day conference in Maynooth University on 1/12/22. It was great to learn more about student engagement and really helped me with the confidence to ask more questions at the academic boards I attend. As you are aware, we are also in the process of a partnership agreement with TUD. I learned lots about our role as officers in the process. We also had a workshop on the role of student engagement with student services and came away with lots of information and ideas to discuss with the student services team in Blanch. I am passionate about advocating for students with additional needs and disabilities. I will take the time in semester 2 to link in with the relevant people in TUD to see how we can improve.

Class Reps

We have organised the NStEP training with our class reps, invitations went out to relevant students who did not take part in the over night training. There are two available dates.

We are also hosting a class rep Christmas party before everyone breaks for Christmas.

I have a small number of class reps left to elect (5) and two reps dropped out and need to be replaced. Currently, waiting on heads of schools to get back to me.

Casework

I supported students in need and vouchers went out in the first week of December. It has been so helpful especially for those in crisis. It is important for all us officers to be available to students especially in the next few weeks!



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Meetings Attended (and Number) Tinrimh Choistí agus Cruinnithe (agus Líon)	Priorities for Next Period Tosaíochtaí don chéad tréimhse eile
Deputy and President Meeting *1 TAM *1 Official All Officer Meeting TUDSU Board CLG - NPC Committee - HR sub committee - FARC Committee EDI Meeting (Apologies) Gov Body FOI and GDPR Training Risk Assessment (Personal for work) Student meetings casework *4 Meeting with Gael La Roux Desk Assessment Director Role Academic Calendar WG Meeting with Clodagh USI Meeting with new part time officers Academic Planning meeting NStEP Conference Education Meeting *2 Digital Education Policy *2 Meeting Assessment Section of Digital Education Policy	Access / Student Services Health and Safety on Campus Voting registration Disabilities — Longer term over next few months not just to the next student council Student Charter Partnership Agreement



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Events/Activities Attended Tinrimh Imeachtaí / Gníomhaíochtaí		Mandates (Complete/In Progress/Uncompleted) Sainorduithe (Déanta / Ar Siúl / Le Déanamh)		
Student Council		Exams Campaign – Lau January	nching 5/12 through to	
Gifts Received Bronntanais a Fuarthas			Personal Expenses Costaisí phearsanta	
Free Lunch / refreshments a Free drinks and food at Stud Student Council Pin				



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Any Other Matters Aon nithe eile		