



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



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Key Points Since Last Meeting

Príomhphointí ón gcruinniú deireanach

This is the last student council, and I am so proud of you all for showing up and being part of student council 22/23! In the last few weeks, we held elections, and I am delighted to have been deemed elected as the first ever communications and media officer.

Sadly, one of our Blanchardstown students passed away in February, we marked his months mind by planting a tree in Blanchardstown with his family, friends and classmates. We are working closely with his head of school and SOLAS to keep his class together for the next phase of education in September 23.

Talks are ongoing with the university to work on supporting fee paying students to view exam results. There is a meeting being arranged during April with myself, the SU President and finance department to discuss options such as instalment plans and more. This will help so many students and it is something you councillors have been asking about since winter results were issued. I cannot say much more for now, but we will announce as soon as we have agreed terms for the future. Watch this space 😊

I attended the USI lobby day with colleague, James and first year student Charlie Gallagher. We spoke to TD's and senators about the cost-of-living crisis, the need for review of SUSI and the fact we cannot borrow like other universities to pay for student accommodation building. It was successful and had a follow up meeting with SF TD Paul Donnelly who is my constituency TD in Dublin West.

For international women's day, I was honoured to attend the first ever Dail sitting with just women with my colleagues, students and groups from across Ireland. It was an amazing experience, and we had the opportunity to network with some inspiring groups of women and leaders from the women's caucus in the Dail.

I had the pleasure of recording a video with TU Dublin Foundation to raise awareness to the charity and shout out to alumni and corporate partners to donate to this amazing fund. The exceptional needs fund is targeted towards students who may not meet criteria for susi or other grants. I met two students who have used the fund and their stories were really empowering. I look forward to working with the foundation in my new role.

The body acceptance project has been ongoing the last months. I worked with students and officers/ TUD Counselling to run the sessions, over 4 weeks. It was a great experience and I look forward to taking part again in new term.

I attended Governing Body sub committee (FPC) and our own TUDSU board meetings. I was also on hiring panel to employ a new services administrator for TUDSU+. We look forward to announcing the appointment soon.

Lastly, we have just come back from USI Congress – with 30 delegates representing TU Dublin. I was so proud of TUDSU for getting many of our motions across the line and written into USI policy books for the next 3 years. My



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motion to decommission Operation Transformation passed. It was overwhelming to hear other delegate stories on how the show has impacted their lives. Times like this remind me why I am so passionate about the student movement and why I want to keep supporting students for another year.

Meetings Attended (and Number)
Tinrimh Choistí agus Cruinnithe (agus Líon)

Priorities for Next Period
Tosaíochtaí don chéad tréimhse eile



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<p>Team meeting 3 Exceptional fund meeting 2 Recording day tud foundation 1 Strategic intent meeting President Fitzpatrick 1 FPC meeting 1 USI lobby Day Meeting with SF TD re cost of living students TUDSU HR subcommittee, FARC sub committee HR Interviews (Desk assessment, interview, follow up) Dail visit for IWD Lift the lid planning 4 Academic integrity awareness week planning 3 Meeting estates / shuttle bus driver 2 Class Rep Meeting prep 1 Body Acceptance Project Faculty Board Meeting – Computing, Digital, Data</p>	<p>To finalise the last few campaigns</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Lift the lid on equality (17/4)- Academic Integrity Awareness week (17-21/4)- Exams campaign (8-19/5) <p>Prepare and handover to incoming VP Blanchardstown Campus</p>
Events/Activities Attended Tinrimh Imeachtaí / Gníomhaíochtaí	Annual Leave Taken Saoire bhliantúil



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Shag stand with HSE rescheduled from Shag week	n.a
Mandates (Complete/In Progress/Uncompleted) <i>Sainorduithe (Déanta / Ar Siúl / Le Déanamh)</i>	Comments <i>Ráitis</i>
Academic integrity week ongoing	
Gifts Received <i>Bronntanais a Fuarthas</i>	Personal Expenses <i>Costaisí phearsanta</i>
USI – Congress (Goodie Bag with mints, notebook, pen) IWD event – Light lunch	n.a
Any Other Matters <i>Aon nithe eile</i>	



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