

# UCCSU Executive Meeting

## 4/11/20

### Meeting starts - 18:05

**In attendance:** Eimear Curtin, Jamie Fraser, Aiden Sheehan, Joel Rajesh, Orlaith Geaney, Ross Brennan, Naoise Crowley, Tara Coughlan, Daniel Moloney, Adam Burke, David Giles, Stephen O' Riordan, Daniel Kelleher, Sinead Roche.

### Kitlocker - 18:09

- We can now do orders in bulk manually - email set up by Kitlocker - to be circulated to reps.
- Website won't allow full names on hoodies - Naoise meeting Fergus on Friday and will discuss that.
- International delivery is possible.
- Seems to be a demand for class half zips - in regard to SU half zips - any objections on waiting until all exec positions are full? no.
- UCC brand clothing - can't just use the logo without permission - bringing out a generic hoodie for cheaper without the UCC logo.
- Names in English and Irish for Exec hoodies.

### Online Survey - 18:18

- Powerpoint with all info on results of the online learning survey - survey results were great - 2049 respondents.
- Ents and Academic reps have all been elected over canvas.
- Survey shows we can communicate effectively online to students about their needs.
- How many hours online/live hours a week? 51% had less than 6 hours.
- How is online learning delivered? The majority on Panopto - the rest was mixed - difficult when on mixed platforms rather than the one place.
- Continues with the rest of results - fair bit of people dissatisfied - what they do/don't like, tech issues, disorganisation etc all noted - Discussion on comparison to what college reps were hearing from students directly.

### Minutes - 18:28

- Content - more information is needed - there were less bullet points for longer conversations in previous minutes and it doesn't match up - should have who is present at the meeting included etc.
- Should be more of a summary than exact details - counter argument that they shouldn't be as brief discussed.
- They are there to go back to check - method of redaction discussed - didn't mention specifics of referendums etc - No info provided to give any protection to the committee - example given and discussed.
- Clubs Exec don't publish theirs but are there if requested and in storage.

- They are for students to know what we are doing - want to make sure that the info is recorded and that people can know we are doing the best we can - accountability - constitutionally must be on the website - software that takes minutes for you - even captions of google meets call work.
- Thanks for what has been put up - referendum didn't get as much of a run as it should have - point that minutes should be recorded and include as much info as possible and then redacted if it is confidential - info wanted to be circulated earlier.

### **Student Council - 18:53**

- Record amount of people at council. Great job, some issues such as voting - not a great idea to use the same format as the first meeting - external link would be better - google forms - fairly successful.
- Steering Committee discussions - a few different services were looked into - Teams was used because of the embedded form function - it crashes which we didn't know beforehand - hands rising as back up method and limit there also of 77 people - angry reacts and thumbs up not sufficient - straw poll not accurate either and have to eliminate any possibility of breach - Google Forms - say we will check emails after to see if they're a class reps or not.
- Redo standing orders when we do have a voting system - discussion if this is something eligible to propose - a decision of the Steering Committee - Exec can't vote to undo votes - some objections raised on how the process went but nothing raised with Council Chair - should go to the next council? - something that we need to look at and the validity of those votes - nothing else to add.
- Anonymity is an issue that has always been the case - always was a show of hands in person - you would have known who voted for what at the time - distinction with anonymity - you don't have it in casting your vote but you do from not having your votes tracked.
- Glad to see all the class reps there - engaging and in chat, a lot of cross class rep communication - calling on members during council - Can't edit Teams name without going through Teams IT support - issue for AOB raised.
- A few issues for democratic process - anyone who did want to raise a point was reasonably accommodated. Fantastic council, questioning purely out of respect for the voting process - Great work - all need to be patient with everyone in the Union.

### **AOB - 19:07**

- A number students who registered in UCC under current name - every legal document under current name except Teams account which was under their previous name - huge issues with that for transgender students- told that it cannot be discussed with Welfare Officer personally - when it is raised its being pushed aside - dealing with IT about it - Canvas picks up current name automatically but other systems don't - IT go and manually change names - working on some way to flag it so that it automatically flags in reg. office and sent to IT.
- Disability rep was asking where we can get a copy of the SU calendar of events - informal one ourselves - contact SU for it.
- Collegeroad.ie is still active and the previous one is still active - raising that incase we want to use it or redirect it - Beth knows how to work it.
- Policy booklet in drive with info for Class Reps - would be good to add it to the website. New policies should be brought to council so that they don't expire but not much point so "common

sense method” - the ones that make sense are kept and others that were meant to be gotten rid of aren't - 2 years ago - updated motions - some brought back - confusion between motions - no minutes on old councils to fix it so “common sense method” used.

- Cost of Teams accounts - passed off to the department if essential - might end up falling on SU budget - several diff plans available with education - they want to set everyone up on the most expensive one - don't know why it's so expensive - there is a support ticket - does anyone want to get it? Google meets works better - will look into this.
- Election Regulations - module is available to its specific cohort - an identifier in cohorts aka postgrads - certain modules are just postgrad so then postgrads are enrolled in that module and will be put into election to vote, same with others etc.
- International students - time difference etc with elections. Disciplinary - tshirts etc - goes to Vince - he can technically take action - online? Won't be fair to ask to pay a fine - taken by consensus - approved.

**Done - 19:28**