

Minutes
Coiste Gnó Meeting
(Online)
30/1/2022

Present:

Emer Neville - Uachtarán

Eoin Connolly - Rúnaí

Denis Lynch - Welfare Officer

Quinton Kelly - Communications Officer

Mohammad Naeem - Regional Liaison and Support Officer

Kacper Bogalecki - International Officer

Reuban Murray - Uachtarán Oinigh

Jack McGinn - Education Officer (present for part of the meeting)

With Apologies:

Saoirse Exton - Equality Officer

Absent:

James Ó Muirithe - Oifigeach na Gaeilge

Adam Lambe - Leas Uachtarán

Salim Kajani - Sustainability Officer

Minutes by: Eoin Connolly - Rúnaí

An Chomhdháil Bhliaintiúl/Annual Assembly (CB)

All hands on deck needed from the Coiste Gnó for the weeks leading up to CB. Coiste gnó members have been asked to make themselves completely available for the weeks leading up to CB, excluding exam years ie. no organising other events, being in the country etc. Main CB planning team is the Secretariat, Uachtarán, Leas-Uachtarán, Rúnaí and Communications Officer.

Current plan for CB is to hold a hybrid event, day one all participants online and day two Candidates in-person for elections. Details still being worked on.

The Uachtarán made it clear that any current CG or ROB members running for election must still do their jobs in that time, any campaigning should be in their own time. It's been a massive problem in previous years and it is unfair on exam year students who have to take time off due to mocks, orals and practicals.

An Chomhdháil Bhliaintiúl needs to be announced in roughly two weeks to give ample notice. The CB planning group also has been discussing potential Chairpersons, Returning Officers and Minute Takers for CB.

The CG unanimously approved the nominations and the CB Planning Group will get in contact with them to see if they are interested in the roles.

RespectForSNAs

The Rúnaí has been following the #RespectForSNAs campaign for a while now. The campaign is led by a group of SNAs in Fórsa (the union represents over 12,000 SNAs) who are

advocating for better treatment of SNAs in the education system and for a change in the minimum qualifications to become one. After issues relevant to the campaign were discussed in the Disability Delegation Working Group the Rúnaí got in contact with someone from the campaign about how ISSU could potentially be involved and to arrange a meeting with them. The Rúnaí proposed to the CG that the ISSU support the campaign and this was seconded by the Uachtarán.

The Coiste Gnó voted unanimously to support the RespectForSNAs campaign. The Rúnaí and Uachtarán will meet with some representatives of the campaign next week.

Officer Updates

The Uachtarán Oinigh will be launching the Student Council Charter with LCETB soon

The Communications Officer has gotten the Communications Working Group started and they are now ready to start working on content for the ISSU socials.