MINUTES CG MEETING IN_PERSON 03/11/2023 - 11:00-16:30

Attendance

Present:

- Uachtarán: Shari Irfan

- Leas Uachtarán: Mohammad Naeem

- Education Officer: Heather Doyle

- Sustainability Officer: Róisín Myers

- Welfare Officer: Máirín Harding

- Equality Officer: Bel Nabulele

- Communications Officer: Leo Galvin

- International Officer: Iffah Rahmat

With Apologies:

- Regional Liaison & Support Officer: Louisa Tyrrell

- Oifigeach Na Gaeilge: Eimear Nic Dhonnchadha

- Uachtarán Oinigh: Caitlin Faye Maniti

- Disability Officer: Sarah Kirwan

Absent:

Agenda

1.1 - Welcome and Introduction - Uachtarán	11:00 - 11:10
1.2 -Minutes of last meeting for adoption - Leas - Uachtarán ☐ Coiste Gnó Minutes 30/09/2023	11:10 - 11:15
2 - Officer Check-In - Uachtarán	11:15 - 11:25
3 - Women's Conference Update - Equality Officer	11:25 - 11:40
4 - OBESSU AFC & Board Member - International Officer	11:40 - 12:10
BREAK	12:10 - 12:20
5 - Monitioring and Advisory Committee - Uachtarán Oinigh	12:20 - 12:50
6 - Social Media - All	12:50 - 13:20
7 - Vote @ 16 & Civic Education Update - Uachtarán	13:20 - 13:35
8 - External Organisations - Uachtarán	13:35 - 13:45
LUNCH	13:45 - 14:45
9 - Regional Councils & Regional Officer Body - All	14:45 - 15:15
10 - Engagement with Students - Uachtarán	15:15 - 15:30
11 - Create CG Tiktok - All	15:30 - 16:00
12 - AOB	16:00 - 16:30

1.1 Welcome and Introduction

Uachtarán welcomes the CG to the meeting.

1.2 Minutes of last meeting for adoption

Minutes adopted, Leas-Uachtarán proposed and Communications Officer seconded

2. Officer Check In

Officers present provide a brief update on there work since their last meeting; for more details please read our most up to date MEOW at https://www.issu.ie/coiste-gno-updates

3. Women's Conference Update

Equality Officer updates the Coiste Gnó on the Women's Conference event, venue has been secured, it will be held in the Irish human rights and equality commission building.

Equality Officer is trying to secure Mary Robinson to make a virtual address.

Education Officer asks what date the event is?

Equality Officer says it will be on the 8th of March. The Coiste Gnó can help out when the Regional Councils season ends.

4 - OBESSU AFC & Board Member

International Officer updates the Coiste Gnó that an OBESSU Board member has resigned, if anyone from the Coiste Gnó is interested to put themselves forward let the International officer know.

On the 19th of November OBESSU is holding an information webinar regarding the vacancy on their Board.

International Officer updates the Coiste Gnó that they will be attending COMEM.

International Officer is on the OBESSU AFC Working Group, they go through proposals formed by the AFC working group which will be brought at COMEM.

Proposals were sent into the Coiste Gnó google chat room for officers to read prior to the meeting.

International Officer goes through the proposals and opens the discussion.

Uachtarán holds vote to approve the proposed AFC proposals

- 7 Yes, 0 No , 1 Abstain

BREAK

5 - Monitoring and Advisory Committee

Uachtarán updates the Coiste Gnó on the new members of the Monitoring and Advisory Committee. The 5 positions on the MAC are now filled.

6 - ISSU Social Media

The Coiste Gnó discuss how we can increase engagement on our social media accounts particularly during Regional Council season.

Communications Officer will collect data from analytics to see how many students our posts are reaching for the next Coiste Gnó meeting.

7 - Vote @ 16 & Civic Education Update

Uachtarán asks for an update on Vote @ 16 & Civic Education survey, the Communications and Education Officers work plans stated that it would be completed or near completion now.

Education Officer states headings for the survey are done, questions are still being worked on. Suggests that it is done in semester 2 during CB time

Uachatarán asks if they can manage this project and working group as it was meant to be done by now.

Both officers are unsure.

Uachtarán states that semester 2 will put a lot of pressure on officers and organisation as semester 2 ISSU will be holding multiple events including CB/Annual Assembly in April.

Education Officer is goes through the survey headings.

Leas-Uachtarán states that officers can't launch working group in Semester 2 as it is too late into our terms to be setting up a working group.

Communications Officer we can launch it in the next 2 weeks.

Uachtarán wants the questions for the survey to be done and working group launched by the next Coiste Gnó meeting

8 - External Organisations

Uachtarán discusses the process of joining certain organisations as ISSU officers and engaging with external organisations.

Communications Officer leaves the meeting once agenda point 8 was completed.

9 - Regional Councils & Regional Officer Body

Uachtarán updates the Coiste Gnó on the progress of Regional Councils.

Uachtarán suggests a Coiste Gno x ROB in person meeting every 3 months for 2024, pending board approval.

Welfare Officer suggests having a discussion with new ROB regarding setting dates for the in-person meetings in advance so people have the dates well in advance.

Leas-Uachtarán states that it would be difficult with a large number of people but definitely a good idea and makes logistics easier,

Uachtarán brings up the individual breakout room structure at Coiste Gnó x ROB calls and whether they are working. For context at CG x ROB calls, breakout rooms are opened for each individual Coiste Gnó officer and Regional Officers can join any to talk to the officers.

Education Officer states that breakout rooms work out well, shy ROs find break out rooms easier to talk to people.

Sustainability Officer, we should have a call regarding workplans with the ROB.

Eduacation Officer states that instead of holding a workplan call with the ROB we should just email them.

The Coiste Gnó will come back with updates at the next Coiste Gnó meeting.

10 - Engagement with Students

Uachtarán states that if any student contacts a Coiste Gnó officer on their personal social media, provide them with your email address or studentvoice@issu.ie

11 - Create CG Tiktok

Agenda point removed due to time constraints.

12 - AOB

LCA & LCE Update

Education Officer updates the Coiste Gnó on recent developments in the Department of Education.

State Examinations Commission and University of Galway holding a survey regarding Oral times.

Straith Pictuir returning back to 20 pictures next year, campaign to keep them at 10.

Please contact the Education Officer or Uachtarán for a further update if required.

Rachael O'Connor from NAPD is now on the ISSU board.

Gender Equality Stance

Multiple officers suggest that the stance is proposed at CB 2024 so it can be voted on by the membership and multiple officers suggest language changes.

Coiste Gnó has agreed to discuss the gender equality stance in the run up to CB/Annual Assembly

SDGs & Me

Sustainability Officer provides update regarding SDGs & Me event, they will share all the details with the CG.

Sustainability Officer asks if anyone has suggestions regarding speakers for a panel discussion.

Coiste Gnó will send Sustainability Officer suggestions for speakers

Sustainabily Officer informs the Coiste Gnó that there will be World Cafe at the event and they might require CG officers to facilitate a table on the day.

Uachtarán announces he is in college, so will have limited capacity at times due to lectures etc.

SPHE Submisson

Uachtarán proposes the SPHE Submission for approval which has been worked on by the Welfare and Education Officer with the support of the CG.

7 yes 0 no 0 abstain