

**Coiste Gnó Meeting  
Online**

**12/09/2021**

**18:30-20:30**

**Present:**

Emer Neville - Uachtarán

Adam Lambe - Leas Uachtarán

Eoin Connolly - Rúnaí

Jack McGinn - Education Officer

Saoirse Extón - Equality Officer

Reuban Murray - Uachtarán Oinigh

Matthew Ryan - Welfare Officer (Present for part of the meeting)

Quinton Kelly - Communications Officer

Mohammed Naeem- Regional Liaison and Support Officer

Salim Kajani-Sustainability Officer

**With Apologies:**

Akeno Barrett - Disability Officer

James O'Muirthe - Oifigeach na Gaeilge

**Absent:**

Kacper Bogalecki-International Officer

**Minutes By-** Eoin Connolly-Rúnaí

## **1.1 - Welcome and Introduction**

### **1.2 -Minutes of last meeting for adoption**

Minutes proposed by the Rúnaí and seconded by the Leas Uachtarán. Unanimously adopted.

## **2. SLT Update**

The Uachtarán and Leas Uachtarán updated the Coiste Gnó on the work of the SLT since the last meeting.

## **3. MAC Vacancies**

There are now 2 vacancies on the MAC, leaving it with only 3 of its 5 members. CG discussed how to best fill the vacancies. Will likely have a byelection at some point this year, the question is when. Either it's held in October or later, if it's held later some members recommended temporarily assigning some board members and former officers temporary roles to accommodate for the vacancies. SLT will discuss logistics tomorrow and there will be a joint meeting next week with the CG, SLT and MAC

## **4. CAO/LC 2022**

CAO results came out recently, we need to find ways to ensure this year's results do not disadvantage next year's.

- Honorary President said increased places would continue to be beneficial
- Communications Officer noted several concerns raised by students through ISSU social media accounts
- Uachtarán and Rúnaí recommended examining statistics to predict the potential impact on next year
- Education Officer will be running a survey of LC2022 students to share their concerns
- CG Officers echoed that a survey will be vital

## **5. Coiste Gnó Transition Period**

CG Officers discussed their transition and term so far.

## **6. Coiste Gnó Jackets**

Discussed what officers wanted for their ISSU jackets.

## **7. Raise the Roof Protests**

ISSU is involved with Raise the Roof and the Equality Officer wanted to affirm the CG's support of it.

- The Equality Officer and Rúnaí highlighted how much the housing crisis is affecting and will continue to affect young people.
- Uachtarán Oinigh added his support for it and that ISSU should further examine how it can engage with the movement in a meaningful way

## **8. Officer Updates**

Rúnaí: Has been working with the SSUNI International Officer to organise a joint meeting between ISSU and SSUNI to get an introduction for the two new executives and discuss how to work together

Equality Officer: Working on the equality legislation reviews

RLSO: Working with other officers on producing student council resources. Receiving a lot of membership applications recently. Planning Regional Councils.

Education Officer: Representing ISSU alongside the Uachtarán at TY Expo

Communications Officer: Organising promotional material and merch for upcoming events. ExitEntry collaboration is publicly launching soon. Working on Social Media Strategy Policy. Launched the International Student Identity Cards.

Leas Uachtarán: Holding the Vote16 event alongside the Rúnaí and Equality Officer on the 22nd. Working with other officers on the Student-Parent Charter.

Uachtarán Oinigh: Making progress on Student Council Charter and the Student Voice Policy Platform.

Welfare Officer: Report on Period Poverty will be completed soon

Uachtarán: Will be attending a shared education meeting with the

SSUNI at the Department of an Taoiseach. Will be going ahead with collaborations on IBSA alongside crisis centres around the country.

**9. AOB**

CG Unanimously agreed to update the ISSU social media strategy.