



Student council

Minutes (SC1-22.10.18)

Date: 22 October 2018

Venue: Coleraine campus, room H102

Time: 5pm

Present: Councillors Maclynn-Hill, Millar, McBurney, Hunter, McCullagh, Beattie, McPhilomey, McCartney, McPeake, O'Neill, Elliott-Foley, Hall, Lambatan, Fitzpatrick, McGlinchey, Baker, Duggan, Gillespie, Cochrane, McElhinney, Curran, Francos, McCarthy, Kinsella, Armstrong, J Cochrane, Harrison, Salifu, Gama, Hamill, Xiong, Prasad, McAvoy, Burns, MacFarlane, Neill, McCarron, McLoone, Gilmore, McCay, Dodge, Sharkey, Wilson, Armstrong, Magowan, Graham and Darragh.

In attendance, Emmet Doyle, Avril Honan, Mandy Mulholland

1. Rollcall and quorum

The Clerk took the rollcall and confirmed quorate.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillors Nelson, Madine and Richardson.

3. Minutes

Members approved the minutes of meeting held 25.4.18

4. Matters Arising

5. Ratification of Trustees

Members approved: Kirsten Watters (ET)

Thomas Logue (ST)

Nicole Parkinson-Kelly (ST)

Rhonda Burns (ST)

as Student Trustees on the Trustee Board.

6. President's communications

(i) Welcome

The President welcomed new and returning elected members and gave an overview of the working relationship between Council and the Student Executive.

(ii) President's report

The President outlined what work he has been undertaking since the last council meeting including his work on the degree algorithm, lobbying MLAs and MEPs on Brexit and Higher Education Funding and ensuring diversity is recognised across the SU.

7. Elections

(i) Election of Chair, Deputy chair and Deputy Clerks
Mark Francos was elected chair with James McCarthy elected Deputy

(ii) Election of members to subcommittees
Green Impact, Governance, Dem Services
Governance
Mr Neil RICHARDSON
Mr James MCCARTHY
Miss Eimhear MACFARLANE
Mr Adam MCBURNEY

Green Impact
Mr Neil RICHARDSON
Mr Joseph ARMSTRONG
Miss Shannon MCCULLAGH
Mr Philip ARMSTRONG
Mr Fergal ELLIOTT-FOLEY

Eimhear MacFarlane was elected to the Senate, the other seat will be expressly for international or PG students and nominations will be re-opened.

8. Student Officer reports

Each officer gave an update on their workplan in line with the presentation made to Council (attached)

9. Trustee Board report

The President updated members on the work of the Trustee Board since the last Council meeting, including the recruitment of a new Chief Executive Officer, David Longstaff.

10. Student officer elections

Members approved: Dates for student officer election 2019

Nominations open 9am 3 Dec 2018, close noon 8 Feb 2019

Voting opens 4 Mar 2019, close noon 6 Mar 2019

Members also approved: NUS Development officer as Returning Officer

11. Bye law amendments

Creation of Diversity Networks: Members approved the addition to the Bye Laws.

NUS-USI referendum proposal: An amendment was proposed by M Francos and approved by members amending the referendum proposal to allow a referendum every three years or at the request of student council. The amended proposal was approved.

Policy timeframe amendment: This was approved by members.

12. Lapse Policy update

Members discussed lapsed policy and agreed updates to the following lapsed policies, with the rest deferred:

- Drug Awareness

- Erasmus+
- Uni-Link Policy

13. Motions

Councillor Francos proposed the Policy Policy which provided for the Student Executive to give more updated reports on the implementation of policy. This proposal was passed.

14. Tabled questions

15. Any other business

16. Date of next meeting

Schedule of meetings was approved by members and the next meeting is to be held on 20th November.