

**ULSTER UNIVERSITY STUDENTS' UNION STUDENT EXECUTIVE
Minutes of meeting held on 17th February 2017 through video
conference.**

PRESENT:-

Colum Mackey (President), Micky Quigg (VP Campaigns and Communication), Kevin McStravock (VP Coleraine), Conán Meehan (VP Belfast), Ben Johnston (VP Magee), Hannah Rooney (VP Jordanstown), James O'Mullan (Sports President)

IN ATTENDANCE:-

Stuart Cannell (Democracy and Campaigns Coordinator), Avril Honan (Student Engagement Manager), Frances Kane (Student Activities Coordinator), Laura Horner (Student Activities Coordinator)

APOLOGIES:-

Emmett Mullally (General Manager), Karen McKilllop (Marketing Manager)

1. MINUTES

Student Executive approved the minutes from the previous meeting.

2. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

3. PRESIDENT COMMUNICATIONS

The President stated that all relevant business is covered throughout the agenda.

4. SOCIETY FUNDING ALLOCATIONS

The six requests put in for society funding was approved by Student Executive.

5. GRADUATION PAPER

Student Executive noted the paper and thanked the Vice-President Academic and Student Affairs (Magee) for all of his hard work behind the creation of this paper. This will be taken to the Student Union and University Forum in March.

Action: For the Graduation paper to be presented at the University and Student Union Forum.

6. SUPPORT FOR NOMINATIONS FOR NUS, USI AND NUS-USI

It was noted that four individuals have gotten in touch to ask for support for their USI Officer election.

There was a discussion about the criteria for nominating these individuals for each of the positions. This led to the following decisions:

UUSU would nominate Oisín Hasson and Michael Kerrigan.

UUSU would ask for further information from Niamh Murtagh and Sean Cassidy in relation to their candidacy.

It was further noted that individuals have asked Student Officers for their support in the upcoming NUS Conference nominations. These nominations are on an individual basis and not from UUSU as a whole organisation.

7. ASSEMBLY ELECTIONS

The President thanked the team for their hard work with the grumpy goats on each campus and ensuring that students had a chance to register to vote.

There was a discussion around how to encourage students to use their vote in the upcoming Assembly election. It was decided that UUSU would work on graphics for an awareness campaign to be rolled out before voting took place.

Action: Create graphics and plan an awareness campaign on how students can use their vote.

8. CAMPAIGNS UPDATE

SHAG week has been rescheduled until after the Student Officer elections. Mental Health week will occur next week and will have a Colour Run. Oisín McConville is considering doing talks and the Vice-President Academic and Student Affairs (Coleraine and Jordanstown) will be handing out 'compliments' and chats for change.

The President asked the team to start thinking now about submitting nominations for USI awards. Student Officers will each select a campaign and then Student Executive will decide the most appropriate to take forward.

9. LEADERSHIP FORUM

The President and the Vice-President Academic and Student Affairs (Belfast) will be attending the Leadership Forum and presenting on Mind your Mood campaign and the Four Corners festival.

10. SPORTS COMPLEX IN COLERAINE

It was noted that the official opening is Thursday 23rd February and Student Officers are encouraged to attend if possible.

11. ST. PATRICKS DAY

The President asked Student Officers if they felt they should patrol the Holylands this year.

It was noted that Student Officers are not there to enforce, but to keep students safe.

It was decided that Student Officers would not patrol Holylands over St. Patricks Day, however, information will be sent out to student to provide them with how they should handle themselves during this occasion.

12. INSPE2T APPLICATION (24TH – 25TH APRIL)

Politics and Criminology are applying for funding to have an online noticeboard in student areas. This will be an anonymous way to report anti-social behaviour.

Student Officers noted that they support this trail. The President did raise concerns that posts could be used in disciplinaries, but has been assured that this will not happen.

13. STUDENT UNION REFLECTIVE PRACTICE (24TH FEBRUARY)

Student Officers were reminded to have this date in their diary and it will take place on the Jordanstown campus.

14. INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY (8TH MARCH)

The President stated that UUSU is hoping to have an event on Thursday 9th March, following the Student Officer elections, in partnership with the University.

15. STUDENT UNION ELECTIONS

The Student Officer election vote will take place between Monday 6th and Wednesday 8th March. Those who aren't running will be helping to increase the overall voter turnout and the President wished those who are running the best of luck.

16. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Vice-President Academic and Student Affairs (Coleraine) has been contacted by RIADA (a recruitment agency) who wish to work in partnership with each Vice-President Academic and Student Affairs to promote job opportunities to students on each campus.

17. DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday 10th March at 10:00.

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Action Sheet

Minute	Action	By Whom	Follow Up
5	For the Graduation paper to be presented at the University and Student Union Forum.	President and Vice-President Academic and Student Affairs (Magee)	University and Student Union Forum
7	Create graphics and plan an awareness campaign on how students can use their vote (Micky and Conan)	Vice-President Academic and Student Affairs (Belfast) and Vice-President Campaigns and Communications	N/A