



Minutes

	Meeting	: PSU Exec Meeting
	Date	: 21.4.2021
	Venue	: Teams
	Time	: 16:45-18:30
	Attendees: Rania Shadeed, Louis Pemble, Vedant Modi, Aman Niyaz, Doireann Peelo Dennehy, Cian Apologies: Niamh O’Neill, Andrea La Touche, Panashe Chikwengo, Absent: Sandrine Ndahiro In attendance: Aimée McKenzie	
No.	Items	Actions
1	Minutes taken as read from the last meeting Doireann approved, Cian seconded.	
2	<p>Rania</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · No response for International trip. Gone on since October, RS to give the green light and statement about trip. Hopefully, they will be able to get some money back. Last year the protest brought attention to the accommodation issue. · UL racism statement. Soft statement will not help. Students affected might not appreciate or feel safe that it is a soft statement rather than hard line. PSU and SL took part in the UL video released today. · Elections, creating own ERB. · Aimée, as per the recommendations from our Quality Review, the PSU is moving to become fully autonomous. Considering this recommendation, the PSU requires to develop its own Electoral and Referendum Board (ERB). 	
3	<p>Cian</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Student officers call had 50 students; they gave great prizes. Cian and Peadar both on the call. €250 raised Peadar shaved his head. €1300 donated, that the 2 reps shaved their heads on livestream. Allison dyed hair pink. Irish community rapid response and the Irish Red Cross charity are the chosen charities. · GA last week. · Threshold support service Q&A posted on social media. · AGM for semester 2 tomorrow. · Update from CampG today, mode of academic delivery for the next year for international pg. Traditionally there is a grace period of 2 weeks, they are exploring a 6-week period but for the ADAs to bring discuss that offline and bring it back to the next meeting. If the 6-week delay happens they must decide if that is reasonable and to be careful that they aren’t bringing in international students for the money – that they are getting a 	

	good experience. Planning next AY that there will be plan A, plan B combined, C only online.	
4	<p>Vedant</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Podcasts are nearly ready. · Letter to be sent soon. Showed it to GA. · Brazilian student wants the PSU Financial Aid to pay for their quarantine hotel. · VLE focus groups (Rania) of PG students 	
5	<p>Doireann</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Enquired about getting accommodation money back for the third semester, and you can if you move out at the end of this semester on or before May 19. Wondering if this is common knowledge. Need to contact accommodation group to confirm this. 	
6	<p>AOB</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Louis asked that after the College Court March, what the students were charged with. Four students who went before the UL advocate. 1 was fined, 1 perhaps academic probation, expulsion, another one – if they violate the code of conduct again, they won't graduate or will have their graduation delayed. Redmond Friel new advocate. · Aman asked Rania, one of the modules being taught. The standard of teaching is bad, and the level of marking standard is very high. Most of the class is frustrated because a project is a 6-month project to get done. Is there any room for improvement for future students? They are wondering if there any previous complaints against them or how can they warn them about the lecturer for future students. Vedant said that in his year the Class rep wrote a letter and the lecturer improved. Rania can speak with the lecturer that there have been complaints on behalf of the class. · Rania suggested they send a letter for later in the semester. Aman wonders if there is a lenient way to grade the course if they are teaching poorly. Unfortunately, this happens at times, Rania offered apologies for the difficulties Aman and his classmates are going through. 	
7	Rania adjourned the meeting at 17:25	

Duration: 40 minutes

Next meeting: April 28, 2021

