National Council of the Union of Students in Ireland

Dublin Institute of Technology

19th-20th October 2012

**Schedule**

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|  | **Friday, 19th October 2012** |
| 5pm | Data Protection Training |
| 6pm | Equality & Citizenship Working Group |
| 7pm | Entertainments Working Group/ Comhairle na Gaeilge |
| 8pm | Presidents’ Working Group/Welfare Working Group |
|  | **Saturday, 20th October 2012** |
| 9am | Education Working Group |
| 10am | Campaigns Working Group |
| 11.30am | Regional Council |
| 12.30pm | Lunch |
| 1pm | National Council |
| 3.30pm | Campaigns Sub-Committee |

**Meeting:** Presidents’ Working Group

**Date & Time:** Friday, 19th October, 8pm

**Clár**

1. Matters Arising
2. Discussion with Professor Brian Norton, President of Dublin Institute of Technology
3. Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite
4. Pre-Budget Campaign
5. Charity 5K Runs/Walks
6. A.O.B./A.G.E.

**Meeting:** Campaigns Working Group

**Date & Time:** Saturday, 20th October, 10am

**Clár**

1) Matters Arising

2) Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite

- National Campaign Briefing (Visuals & Virals)

- Town Hall Meetings

- Local Marches

3) A.O.B./A.G.E.

**Meeting:** Education Working Group

**Date & Time:** Saturday, 20th October 2012, 9am

**Clár**

Education Working Group

1. Presentation from Coursehub.ie

2. Academic Affairs & Quality Assurance Officer

Update

3. Class Rep Updates

4. SUSI

5. AOB

**Meeting:** Welfare Working Group

**Date & Time:** Friday, 19th October 2012, 8pm

**Clár**

1. Matters Arising
2. Minutes
3. Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite
   1. Minutes & Matters Arising
   2. Pro Youth-  Orla McLoughlin
   3. Exam Prep Campaign- Feedback requested
   4. Anti Social Behaviour
   5. Extra Student Support
4. A.O.B.

**Meeting:** Equality and Citizenship Working Group

**Date & Time:** Friday, 19th October 2012, 6pm

**Clár**

1. Minutes
2. Matters Arising
3. Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite

(i) Update from Vice President for Equality & Citizenship on progress of

campaigns and upcoming events

(ii) ‘Including International Students in your Students’ Union’

(iii) Being Young and Irish initiative

(iv) Student Volunteering

(v) Grassroots Engagement

4) A.O.B.

**Meeting:** Entertainments Working Group

**Date & Time:** Friday, 19th October 2012, 7pm

**Clár**

1. Minutes
2. Matters Arising
3. Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite

Agenda

Items for discussion:

(i) USI Entertainment Website: Structure and Layout

(ii) Fight Nights

1. Christmas Balls
2. Rag Weeks

(v) Students’ Union Balls

4) A.O.B.

**Meeting:** Dublin Regional Council

**Date & Time:** Saturday 20th September, 11.30am

**Location:** DIT

**Agenda**

**Items for discussion:**

1. Dublin Region Town Hall Meeting
2. National Campaign
3. National Charity Collection Date

**Dates for Noting:**

1. Town Hall Meeting; Dublin – Wednesday 7th and Wednesday 14th November
2. Next National Council – 9th/10th in IT Carlow

**AOB**

**Meeting:** Border, Midlands & Western Regional Council

**Date & Time:** Saturday, 20th October 2012, 11.30am

**Clár**

* + - 1. Town hall meetings (Breffni)
      2. Local protests (Breffni)
      3. Local lobbying (Breffni)
      4. Class rep engagement (Breffni)
      5. Adjacency rates (NUI Galway)
      6. AOB

**Meeting:** Southern Regional Council

**Date & Time:** Saturday, 20th October 2012, 11.30am

**Clár**

1. Minutes
2. Matters Arising
3. Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite
   1. Voter Registration
   2. Class Representative Training Feedback
   3. Students Print/Media Details
   4. Town Hall Meetings
   5. Local Protests
   6. College Presidents FOI Requests
   7. Grant Percentages
   8. Student Journalists
4. A.O.B.

**Meeting**: Comhairle na Gaeilge

**Date and Time:** Friday, 19th October, 7pm

1) Fáilte agus cur in aithne

2) Le Bheith Pléite

a. Polasaí Gaeilge AMLÉ

b. Feachtais Ghaeilge AMLÉ

i. OnaG nua

ii. SnaG AMLÉ

c. Oireachtas na Gaeilge

d. Bliain na Gaeilge

e. Comhdháil Gaeilge AMLÉ

3) A.O.B./A.G.E.

**Clár**

**Meeting/Cruinniú:** National Council / Comhairle Náisiúnta

**Date & Time/Dáta & Am:** 20/10/12 – 13:00-15:30

**Location/ Áit:** DIT

1. Minutes / Miontuairiscí
2. Matters Arising / Nithe ag Éirí Astu
3. Pre-nominated A.O.B. / A.G.E. réamh ainmnithe
4. Officer Reports / Tuairisc na nOifigeach
5. Presentation from Alcohol Action Ireland
6. Presentation form Lara Kelly, Mental Health Reform
7. **Items for Agreement / Le Socrú**
   1. Irish Refugee Council Postcard Campaign
8. **Items for Discussion / Le Bheith Pléite**
   1. Pre-Budget Campaign Strategy
   2. Data Protection
   3. Feasibility of Direct Elections to USI
9. **A.O.B. / A.G.E.**
10. Presentation from the Washington Ireland Programme

Items for Agreement / Le Socrú

**Item 7A –** **Irish Refugee Council Postcard Campaign**

Submitted by: Athlone IT

For Agreement

The Irish Refugee Council is asking Minister Alan Shatter to follow the recommendations in the Irish Refugee Council’s Report on ‘State Sanctioned Child Poverty and Exclusion’. This report ultimately states that Direct Provision Accommodation is not a conducive environment for Childhood Development, Health or Welfare. National Council will be asked whether USI should support this campaign.

Items for Discussion / Le Bheith Pléite

**Item 8A – USI Pre-Budget Strategy Update**

Submitted by: Officer Board

For Discussion

Update from the President on USI’s pre-Budget strategy and the role of Students’ Unions in the lead up to the Budget.

**Item 8B – Data Protection**

Submitted by: USI Officer Board

For Discussion

Discussion on training at National Council on Data Protection and how to implement best practice in Students’ Unions.

**Item 8C – Feasibility of Direct Elections to USI**

Submitted by: President

For Discussion

Discussion on whether USI should undertake a feasibility study on the potential for students on the ground to vote for national representatives.