

Meeting: Presidents' Working Group

Clár

- 1) Matters Arising
- 2) Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite
 - (i) Congress Motions
 - (ii) Semester 1 Review Exercise
 - (iii) Funding of Students' Unions
 - (iv) Student Representation & Consultation
 - (v) Allocation of Resources in HEI's/Financial Transparency
 - (vi) Getting the most out of Governing Body
- 3) A.O.B./A.G.E.

Meeting: Campaigns Working Group

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- 1) Matters Arising
- 2) Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite
 - (i) Nurses Campaign Semester 2
 - (ii) Christmas Campaign
 - (iii) Innovation Campaign Semester 2
 - (iv) Apprenticeships Campaign
 - (v) Living Wage Campaign
- 3) A.O.B./A.G.E.

Meeting: Education Working Group

Clár

- 1) Matters Arising
- 2) Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite
 - (i) HEA Update
- 3) A.O.B./A.G.E.

Meeting: Equality and Citizenship Working Group

Clár

- 1) Matters Arising
- 2) Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite
 - (i) Elections and Hustings- best practice (DITSU)
 - (ii) Rights in the Workplace (DITSU)
 - (iii) Class issues and Equality (IADTSU)
 - (iv) Equality/representative structures in USI (VP E&C)
 - (v) USI 2014 Lobby of Oireachtas on Social Issues (VP E&C)
 - (vi) Quick guide to submitting Congress motions (VP E&C)
 - (vii) DITSU LGBT Ally proposal (DITSU & VP E&C)
 - (viii) LGBT exercise (VP E&C) (time dependent)
- 3) A.O.B./A.G.E.

Meeting: Welfare Working Group

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- 1) Matters Arising
- 2) Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite
 - (i) Alcohol Awareness
 - (ii) Gonorrhoea Campaign
 - (iv) How To: Submitting Congress motions
 - (v) #MoreOrLess Campaign Idea
- 3) A.O.B./A.G.E.

Meeting: Events & Marketing Working Group

Clár

- 1) Matters Arising
- 2) Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite
 - (i) Deal Effect
 - (ii) NUS Extra Card
 - (iii) Online Shop
 - (iv) Christmas Events
 - (v) Enterprise Competition
 - (vi) Networking Event for Ents Officers
 - (vii) USI Ents 'Amber List'
- 3) A.O.B./A.G.E.

Meeting: Southern Regional Council

Clár

- 1) Matters Arising
- 2) Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite
 - (i) MOU of Communication
 - (ii) SERD
 - (iii) Motions for Congress
- 3) A.O.B./A.G.E.

Meeting: BMW Regional Council

Clár

- 1) Matters Arising
- 2) Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite
 - (i) Centralisation
 - (ii) Xmas Party
 - (iii) Submissions For Congress
 - (iv) SERD
 - (v) Semester Two Projects
- 3) A.O.B./A.G.E.

Meeting: Dublin Regional Council

Clár

- 1) Matters Arising
- 2) Items for Discussion/ Le Bheith Pléite
 - (i) Christmas Event
 - (ii) Dublin Region Development Day
 - (iii) Motions for Congress
 - (iv) SERD
- 3) A.O.B./A.G.E.

**Comhairle Náisiúnta AMLÉ
USI National Council**

**Tuairisc an Leas-Uachtarán do Leas
Report of the Deputy President/ VP for Welfare**

Key Points since last National Council:

- More Talk More Action Campus Tour & Chats for Change Packs
- Gonorrhoea Campaign Launching December 9th
- Exam Prep Campaign
- Ending ties with Drinkaware
- Secured €3,500 sponsorship for SHAG 2014
- Secured 45,000 condoms from Durex for SHAG Packs

- 1. Mental Health**
- 2. Exam Prep**
- 3. Sexual Health**
- 4. Drinkaware**
- 5. Pink Training**

1. Mental Health

On November 11th we launched USI's new mental health campaign, More Talk More Action and well as the campaign tool, Chats for Change . For the Campus Tour we visited NCI, CIT, Maynooth & Athlone IT, I really enjoyed it was it was great to get out to talk to so many students about mental health. Students' Unions across the country have been and will continue to run really well put together campaigns and events for mental health and I would like to commend all the welfare officers for the hard work on this topic. The ten organisations that took part were very good for getting involved and their support was greatly appreciated. I would like to thank the regional VPs and VP for Campaigns for their support and assistance with the campus tour in

their area. I have sent a short feedback form to welfare officers and can evaluate the packs and work on this again for next year.

2. Exam Prep Campaign

On Tuesday November 26th, VP for Academic affairs & Quality Assurance and I relaunched our Exam Prep campaign online. This campaign is supported by Spunout.ie, PleaseTalk.org and Headsup.ie. We produced a 'how to' guide for officers as a resource to them for running an exam campaign which included advice on who to talk to, type of events to run etc. As part of the campaign that was launched last December, we developed a page on our website with welfare and education elements, tips and advice tips for before, during and after exam time and a downloadable study and exam planner. We also reprinted last years materials for MOs which included a bookmark and exam prep guide.

3. Sexual Health

SHAG Packs: After meeting with Durex, I have secured 45,000 condoms and a sachets of 'play feel' lube for the SHAG packs. I have requested Pleasuremax condoms and will have an update on this in my next report. I have successfully secured €3,500 from Merck Sharp & Dohme (MSD) as sponsorship for the SHAG Packs and 'talkoptions' booklet to be included.

SHAG website: Following a mandate from Congress 2012, the General Manager and I developed shag.usi.ie, a student hub for sexual health. I have been looking into how I can update this and maximise the site with information for students. Any feedback from officers would be greatly appreciated.

SHAG Week: I have been approaching various organisations to get on board with the Sexual Health Education Roadshow during SHAG week 2014. SHAG week will take place from February 10th, I am hoping we will visit 3-4 campuses that week and I will be in touch with welfare officers about hosting it.

4. Drinkaware

At the Welfare Working Group in DIT, the welfare officers and I discussed drinkaware and USI's relationship with them. From then I brought a motion to National Council to cease workings with Drinkaware which passed. After National Council, the President and I wrote and letter the the CEO of MEAS. I was able to get a contact in the Irish Times who wanted to cover the story and from there the President took all media queries. It is important we do not just see this a box ticking exercise and now starting working on how we will raise awareness around alcohol, asses how young people really view their drinking and

5. Pink Training

I attended Pink Training to assist the VP for Equality & Citizenship O..Along with the VP for Academic Affairs & Quality Assurance, VP Campaigns & VP BMW I assisted with the registration process to ensure it was run smoothly and efficiently.

Appendix

USI Meetings/Events Attended:

Date	Meeting/Event	Details
8/11	Officer Board	
8-9/11	National Council	DIT
11-14/11	USI MTMA Campus Tour	
20/11	Pink Training Meeting	Officer Board & Staff
22-24/11	USI Pink Training	QUB

Meetings/Events Attended:

Date	Meeting/Event	Details
20/11	Alcohol Conference Action	Facing 'The Fear': alcohol and mental health
21/11	PleaseTalk Committee Steering	
25/11	IFPA	SHAG pack content
26/11	Advisory panel	Crisis Pregnancy Programme

Membership Engagement

Date	MO	Details
11/11	NCI	More Talk More Action Campus Tour
12/11	CIT	More Talk More Action Campus Tour
13/11	Maynooth	More Talk More Action Campus Tour
14/11	Athlone IT	More Talk More Action Campus Tour
18/11	UCC	Conor Cusack Talk

19/11	DIT	Spoke at their fight night movie night
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Media Engagement

Date	Description	Topic
Nov 11th-	thejournal.ie , Evening Echo Liffey Champion Limerick Leader Cork Independent Newstalk Evening Herald Beat 102103 Dublin's FM104 Dublin's Q102 Limerick's Live 95fm U105 Galway Bay FM UTV Radio The Examiner breakingnews.ie Cork 96fm 98fm Youghal Community Radio Q102 Red FM Tipp FM Spin 103.8 Spin South West LMFM	More Talk, More Action

Declaration of Gifts and Hospitality:

Date	Description	Purchaser
13/11	Tea, Lunch, MSU mug	Maynooth SU
14/11	Lunch	AIT SU

Annual Leave:

Leave	Date
Annual Leave	Nov 27th-29th

**Tuairisc an Leas- Uachtarán do Chomhionannais agus Saoránacht
Report of the Vice President for Equality and Citizenship**

Key Points since last National Council:

- **Pink Training 2013**
- **Department of Education meeting on Review of International Education Strategy**
- **HEA Access to Education Conference**
- **Sexual Violence**
- **Section 37 of Employment Equality Act and MSM Blood Ban**
- **Amnesty International Ireland's Student Conference**

Mandate Update:

- Sexual Violence 13/W4 (in progress)
- Pink Training 10/LGBT7 (Complete)
- International Students 09/EQ10 (in progress)
- LGBT 12/EQ4 (in progress)
- 13/EQ 6 Section 37 Employment Equality (in progress)
- 10/EQ 9 NUS-USI Collaboration (ongoing)
- 10/LGBT 1 LGBT Interest Groups (ongoing)
- 09/LGBT 13 MSM Blood Ban (in progress)
- National Council 2013 mandate on Seanad Reform

(Seanad votes to be extended to all graduates - this was a core part of USI's political reform document)

1. Pink Training 2013

Pink Training ran on the weekend of the 22nd-24th of November in Queen's University Belfast. This is the largest event that USI runs. The event was a great success and included a keynote address from Jeff Dudgeon, a 21st anniversary dinner and a rally for our rights.

In the run up to the event, I visited QUB on the 13th and 14th and 21st of November for planning. I met with the organisers of the nightclub, Taboo and with the hostel accommodation. I also met with the VP Equality and Diversity to plan rooms and the running order for the weekend.

During the course of the weekend, I liaised with all speakers and delegate leaders. I facilitated a

delegate leaders' meeting on the Friday. I spoke at the opening and closing of the event and at the rally. I assisted with registration process also.

In the run up to the event, I oversaw all of the delegate allocation process, accommodation places and I compiled and oversaw the design of the booklet and all other materials. I liaised with speakers on their modules. I also packed all of the delegate packs in USI HQ with the VP for Academic Affairs and Quality Assurance, the VP for the Irish Language, the VP for Campaign and USI staff. I also chaired a meeting with USI Officer Board on the running order of the weekend and delegated tasks to each officer.

I circulated a feedback form after the event to all LGBT societies.

2. International Education Strategy Review

USI supported the Irish Council for International Students' submission on the review of Ireland's International Education Strategy. One of the points in the submission calls for a USI seat on the High Level Group (this group directly advises Government on the implementation of Ireland's International Education Strategy). Securing a USI seat on this was one of my manifesto points.

On the 29th of November, I met with Keith Moynes and Mary Whelan in the Department of Education. ICOS and USI requested funding to host a national forum for international staff officers to compare best practice and to facilitate projects in this area. 20,000 euro was the figure that was suggested to us. I outlined all of the key points which arose in the ICOS/USI focus groups with international students including visa issues, finance, accommodation and safety. The focus group report was commended by the Department. I also raised the point about USI being on the High Level Group and it was agreed that this was a good idea.

3. HEA Access to Education Conference

On the 7th of November, I attended the HEA's How Equal? Access to Education conference in Kilmainham. The USI President, VP for Academic Affairs and Quality Assurance also attended along with many MO officers. USI had met with the HEA Equity of Access Office several times prior to the conference to ensure that the schedule included the student voice. At the event itself, I spoke to the Minister for Education and Skills at the beginning along with the USI President, the VP for Academic Affairs and Quality Assurance and the UCC Students' Union Education Officer. During the Q&A at the start I asked the Minister about Traveller Access to Education and highlighted the 87% disinvestment that has occurred in this area since 2008. I chaired a session in the afternoon also where three groups presented papers on access to education issues.

4. Sexual Violence

On the 12th of November, I met with PASC (Public Awareness Sub Committee of Cosc). We discussed the Y=S posters and the follow-up campaign to the Say Something Study. Representatives present commended USI's work on the study. I am applying to Cosc for more funding for our follow-up campaign. Cosc are very eager to continue working with us. The group had mixed feedback on the Y=S posters. I am awaiting to view the new designs and will keep

National Council up-to-date on progress in relation to this.

5. Section 37 of Employment Equality Act and MSM Blood Ban

I made a short submission on behalf of USI to the Equality Authority on Section 37 and why it should be repealed. Section 37 allows for discrimination based on sexual orientation on religious grounds. I have also been discussing with LGBT Noise about USI's proposal to call a roundtable discussion with LGBT organisations and the Irish Blood Transfusion Service on the MSM blood ban.

6. Amnesty International Ireland's Student conference

I delivered an hour-long workshop on 'Freedom of Expression: Issues in Ireland' at this national conference in UCC on Saturday, the 30th of November.

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Meetings/Events Attended:

Date	Meeting/Event	Details
5/11	UCC Watch Your Mouth Launch	Spoke at the event
7/11	HEA Access to Education conference	Attended and chaired a session
12/11	Public-Awareness Sub-Committee (Cosc)	

13/11-14/11	Belfast/QUB	Pink Training Planning
18/11	WIT Equality Week	Debated on marriage equality
21/11	Belfast/QUB	Pink Training planning
22-24/11	Pink Training	QUB
29/11	Presentation to Dept Education and Skills	Review of Ireland's International Education Strategy
30/11	UCC	Delivered Workshop at Amnesty International Youth Conference

Membership Engagement

Date	MO	Details
22-24/11	QUB	Pink Training
5/11	UCC	Launch of Watch Your Mouth campaign
18/11	WIT	Equality Week

Media Engagement

Date	Description	Topic
19/11	University Times	Opinion piece on equal rights
22/11	UTV Radio	Pink Training
21/11	Daily Edge	'Creep of the Week' - USI response to collegetimes article

Declaration of Gifts and Hospitality:

Date	Description	Purchaser
5/11	Dinner	UCC LGBT Society

Annual Leave:

Leave	Date
Annual Leave	N/A

**Tuairisc an Leas-Uachtarán do Feachtais
Report of the Vice President Campaigns Officer**

Key Points since last National Council:

- **Christmas Event**
- **Referendums**
- **Innovation Campaign**
- **Nurses Campaign**
- **Happy Christmas**

1. Christmas Campaign

Community engagement and showcasing the positive contributions students make to the world around them is one of my main focuses and manifesto promises for my term. This is moving well with the event in December, it has been the centre of my work plan for the last month. I projected managed event and booked locations along with sourcing entertainment and items. This has been a team effort with the President and the Regional VPS. I have been working heavily on the Dublin event along with the Communications Officer in TCDSU. We have organized childrens entertainments, invitations for various groups and communicated message to Dublin Colleges. I worked with USI General Manager on costing for food, gifts and entertainment for location which is taking place on December 18th. I have also communicated with Regional VPs on progression of their events and dealt with any situations they've encountered. For the final week I will be assessing potential numbers for event and following up with all individuals involved.

2.Referendums

In my manifesto I promised to making USI a stronger organization. One of the ways to do this is by ensuring that we have near to full membership and ensuring that our current members are happy with the work delivered by myself. I have met with NCADSU on several occasions and progression of a referendum is into its final date. The President and his Vice President have been a pleasure to deal with and hopefully we can look forward to working with them in the new year. I have liased with Griffith College Students' Union on reaffiliation. The project is in its infancy stage but the President and I are happy that Griffith SU will engage with this national council in the New Year. As mentioned in the introduction before. Maintaining strong relationships and getting the results for our current members is they way to achieve full membership and I have been working with USI Staff, the President and VP BMW on strategy and engagement for GMIT Referendum.

Innovation Campaign

A campaign I am introducing to the group this term is the innovation campaign. As stated in "Meetings Attended" I have been preparing for the launch and plan for a proposed start date of January 20th. I will be visiting Queens and their careers service to study and potentially work with for assiting the launch of this project. Here is the preliminary plan and outline for the campaign. I am always looking for people interested in this area please do contact me.

1. Graduate/Entrepreneurship Event

-Graduate Recruiters gather for symposium where students can attend in association with the USI. Will advise that one core event in central location will get a better result for students as opposed to a number of different events.

2. Entrepreneurship Competition

This is where I'm keen to link in QUBSU. Even launch the competition on their campus.

USI launch innovation campaign (Better name to follow)

With cash prize on offer from company supporting company (Most likely Enterprise Ireland)

6 finalist chosen by panel and winner announced at Student Achievement Awards 2014.

3. CV and further education online resources

Online modules and CV workshops for students on USI website from Feburary. Where students can get examples of world class cvs, cover letters and guidelines for one to one or group interviews.

Nurses Campaign

As stated in my manifesto and the unanimous approval passed to support Graduate Nurses from Congress 2010. I have been working heavily with Member Organizations, INMO and student nurses on this campaign. Templates of design, strategy have been presented at Campaigns

Working Group and the proposed launch of this campaign will be late January. I have been liaising with NUIG President on specifics for campaign and thank you to all for support thus far.

Happy Christmas: Can all agree the first term has flown by! I hope your plans for the holiday season are good but one thing is, do catch up, rest and take some time to think what you want to do before June 30th 2014.

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USI Meetings/Events Attended:

Date	Meeting/Event	Details
11/11/13	NCI More Talk More Action Launch	Mental Health Campaign
12/11/13	TCD	ChristmasEvent/MO Engagement
12/11/13	TCD	Council
13/11/13	AIESEC Ireland	Innovation Campaign
13/11/13	NCADSU	Referendum
13/11/13	NCI	Public Speaking Course
14/11/13	ITB Students	Interview on National Campaign
15/11/13	UCD	Referendum
15/11/13	INMO Nurses Group	Nurses Group
16/11/13	TCD	Christmas Event
19/11/13	GSU	Referendum
20/11/13	HQ	Pink Training Bag Packing
22nd-24th	Queens	Pink Training
20/11/13	HQ	GMIT Referendum Preparation

20/11/13	HQ	Dublin Presidents Teleconference
26/11/13	City Centre	Entrepreneurs Ireland
27/11/13	Nurses Campaign	NUIG President
27/11/13	City Centre	AIIESEC Ireland
27/11/13	City Centre	Christmas Event Preparation

Membership Engagement

MO	Details
TCD	Christmas Event
ITB	Interview

Declaration of Gifts and Hospitality:

Date	Description	Purchaser
N/A		

Annual Leave:

Leave	Date
Annual Leave	N/A

Report of the Vice President of the BMW Region

Key Points since last National Council:

- Chats For Change Campaign
- Fit In Body, Fit In Mind Campaign
- Referendum
- Pink Training

Mandate Update:

- 1.Chats For Change
- 2.Fit In Body Fit In Mind
- 3.Referendum
- 4.Constitutional Review
- 5.SAF Statistics
6. Pink Training

1.The Chats for Change campaign was hugely successful and held in two colleges in the BMW region. In Maynooth the campaign was based around a marquee in the centre of the college. There was a number of mental health organisations present. The event was helped in terms of traffic by the free tea and coffee that was provided throughout the day and the free lunch in the afternoon. Fruit was also handed out on the day.

In Athlone the traffic flow was even better and we engaged more people on the ground. This was helped by the location and the fact that the careers fair going on at the other end of the canteen. Maynooth held a remembrance walk at the end of the day to commemorate those who died as a result of suicide.

Athlone held a TEDx talk on coming out and the difficulties one experiences during that process. It was quite inspirational and I wish John Madden and his team the best of luck in any further TEDx ventures.

2.The Fit In Body Fit In Mind campaign was held in three locations from the week of the 18th of November, GMIT Dublin Road campus, IT Sligo and LYIT.

Each of the three days was a huge success both in terms of on the ground engagement, media engagement and messaging.

GMIT held a soccer and tag rugby tournament between the major colleges, the SU also had a team. Despite our best efforts we did not win the day. There was also a balloon release between the college staff of GMIT and the Student Union officers from the three colleges.

Due to illness I was unable to attend the event in Sligo however a laughter yoga event was held in addition to a number of other engagements.

LYIT was the final day of the campaign. Another balloon release was held. The campaign was rounded off in a suitable fashion with a 5k fun run.

During the campaign we also engaged with secondary schools to put across our message. Arguably the most successful element of the campaign was the radio presence. It was advertised well in advance on iRadio and there was consistent ads and coverage throughout the week.

The officers of all three colleges put in incredible work and should be delighted with what was a hugely successful campaign.

3.A referendum campaign is currently being held in GMIT across all campuses on membership of USI in addition to some constitutional changes. The major constitutional change is the introduction of an education officer to the team. It has been a while since the question on USI has been asked and it is healthy to ask whether or not the students would like to be members. Considering GMIT's firm commitment to the USI in the last number of years I would be confident that will be reflected in next week's vote. The current president of USI is a former president of GMIT, the current GMIT president sits on campaigns working group and in addition to this Paddy Bonner was the western area officer a few years ago.

4.I have also been engaged in a constitutional review process with MSU for the last couple of weeks. I will be working closely with them for the next few weeks. Thus far I have reviewed four other constitutions in addition to MSU's one in order to help establish best practice.

5.I have been working with college in terms of getting statistics for the SAF funding meeting.

6. Pink training was held in Belfast on the weekend of the 22nd of November and was a huge success. I attended, and participated in terms of helping the VP for Equality and Citizenship in her role and attending modules where possible. I found the weekend to be enlightening and would like to congratulate the VP for Equality and Citizenship on a successful event.

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USI Meetings/Events Attended:

Date	Meeting/Event	Details
26/11/2013	Dublin	Bake Sale

Membership Engagement

Date	MO	Details
1/11/ 2013	GMIT	
8/11/ 2013	DIT National Council	
11/11 /2013	IT Sligo, LYIT, GMIT	Mental Health Tour Launch
13/11 /2013	MSU	Chats for Change Campaign
14/11 /2013	Athlone IT	Chats for Change campaign
18/11 /2013	GMIT	Fit in body fit in mind campaign
20/11 /2013	LYIT	Fit in Body Fit in Mind Campaign
22/11 /2013	Pink training	
26/11 /2013	DKIT	Phone Call
25/11 /2013	BMW Presidents Phone Confernece	
23/11 /2013	MSU VP Welfare	Constitutional review meeting.

Media Engagement

Date	Description	Topic
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26/11/2013	Flirt FM	Drink Aware
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Declaration of Gifts and Hospitality:

Date	Description	Purchaser

Annual Leave:

Leave	Date
Annual Leave	

**Tuairisc Léas-Uactarán don Deisceart
Report of the Vice President for the Southern Region**

Key Points since last National Council:

- Chats for Change Campaign
- SAF Statistics
- Christmas community Event

Mandate Update:

- MOU re communication with MO's (UO 7 in progress)

1. Chats for Change
2. SERD
3. Christmas Community Event
4. SAF Statistics
5. National Fundraiser Planning
6. SVP Toy Appeal

1. Chats for Change

As part of this years national mental health campaign I attend many events across the region and assisted MO's with the implementation of their campaigns. On the 6th of November I took part in UCCSU Mental Health week, where I assisted the Welfare officer and engaged with students and spoke to them about the campaign. On the 11th of November I attended the launch

of LITSU Mental Health Campaign where I spoke to students about the campaign and handed out 'Chats for Change' materials.

The following day the 12th of November I attended CITSU with the Deputy President for Welfare and partook in the events planned for the day. I spoke to numerous students about the campaign and handed out 'Chats for Change' materials. Thank you to all MO's who asked me to be a part of their campaigns, I thoroughly enjoyed attending all events.

2. SERD

As part of the ongoing SERD campaign I attended two SERD drives in IT Tralee SU and WITSU. When on campus in IT Tralee we adopted the paper registration format which seen us register almost 200 people and input them in to the SERD system in a matter of hours. This method proved very effective on the day.

3. Christmas Community Event

Since the last National council I have been busy preparing for the Christmas Community Event. I am delighted to announce that the event will take place in IT Tralee. I have been liaising with ITTSU in preparation of the event which will take place on the 10th of December. On the day there will be a bouncy castle, face painting, balloon animals, sweets and treats and Santa will also make an appearance on the Day.

I have also been liaising with ITCSU and CCSU in the planning stages for their Christmas Community event which they will be hosting on the 14th of December in the local farmers market in Carlow Town.

4. SAF Statistics

As requested by the presidents in the run up to his meeting with the HEA I have been working with MO's across the Region in securing statistics in regards to their Student Assistance Fund. Thank you to all those whom have forwarded the details so far. These figures will be integral to securing additional funding for the remaining academic year.

5. National Fundraiser Planning

In preparation of the National fundraiser 'Hands across Ireland' I have been in contact with Macra na Feirme in regards to them becoming a partner with the project. Since making initial contact and providing them with the proposal. Macra have since responded detailing that they are considering our proposal, which is terrific news. More updates will follow as this is an on going project.

6. SVP Toy Appeal

In preparation for the SVP Toy appeal I spoke with all MO's in the region in regards to what each MO will be doing to promote and participate in the Appeal. To help get the ball rolling I prepared some useful tips to help with initial promotion.

Appendix

USI Meetings/Events Attended:

Date	Meeting/Event	Details
15th Nov	Officer Board	USI HQ
19th Nov	Planning Session	Conference Call USI HQ
26th Nov	Southern Area Conference Call	USI HQ
26th Nov	USI Bake Sale	USI HQ

Meetings/Events Attended:

Date	Meeting/Event	Details
5th Nov	National Teaching Awards	Merrion Sq
6th Nov	Positive Mind and Body Week	UCCSU
11th Nov	Chats for Change	LITSU
12th Nov	Chats for Change	CITSU
14th Nov	SERD	ITTSU
18th Nov	SERD	WITSU
18th Nov	Marriage Equality Debate	WITSU
27th Nov	CCSU	Planning
27th Nov	ITCSU	Update

28th Nov	CCSU & ITCSU	Christmas Community Event
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Membership Engagement

Date	MO	Details
6th Nov	UCCSU	Mental Health Week
7th Nov	LITSU	Class Rep Training
11th Nov	LITSU	Chats for Change
12th Nov	CITSU	Chats for Change
14th Nov	ITTSU	SERD
18th Nov	WITSU	Equality Week
27th Nov	CCSU	Planning
27th Nov	ITCSU	Update
28th Nov	CCSU & ITCSU	Christmas Community Event

Media Engagement

Date	Description	Topic
18th Nov	Beat 102-103	Equality Week WITSU

Declaration of Gifts and Hospitality:

Date	Description	Purchaser
6th Nov	Lunch	UCCSU
7th Nov	Lunch	LITSU

14th Nov	Lunch	ITTSU
18th Nov	Lunch	WITSU

Annual Leave:

Leave N/A	Date N/A
Annual Leave	N/A