17 AA7 Class Rep Accreditation

Referred back to Academic Affairs Working Group (AAWG) from Congress. Discussed at AAWG at the last National Council in TCD.

Congress Believes:
Class Representatives form the backbone of SU and institutional activities in terms of providing a representative student voice within an institution.

Congress Notes:
The role of class representatives is increasingly being recognised by the HEA and QQI, through national initiatives such as the National Student Engagement Programme (NStEP).

Congress Further Notes:
Class Representatives involvement is crucial to the success of such programmes.

Congress Recognises:
Student time is becoming increasingly scarce due to the nature of semesterisation, and that therefore it is not always possible for them to fully and actively engage with programmes such as the NStEP, and the other functions associated with the role of a class representative.

Congress Therefore Mandates:
The USI VP Academic Affairs to work with the HEA and QQI to look into the feasibility of rolling out accreditation for the position of class representative, similarly to how standard modules are accredited.

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