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My name is Robert, and I'm running to be your VP for the Border, Midlands and West.

Since my involvement in activism at the age of fifteen, I have been involved in a whole range of local, national and European organisations to advance the welfare and rights of young people, students and international citizens. From being a member of my local Comahirle na nÓg to being the Deputy President of the Irish Second-Level Students Union and even now in my role as Societies Senator for Maynooth Students Union.

Campaigning and representing is not only something I enjoy, its something I love with a dying passion and I want to take this passion to the national officer board of USI.

1) Make USI Local

Bringing campaigns into local colleges so our grassroots members can get involved in shaping our campaigns and leading our campaigns on the ground.

I will do this by :

- 1) holding **workshops on campaigning** and canvassing in member colleges – equipping our students to have the skills to campaign and fight for student and national issues.
- 2)I will also do more outreach to get members from the BMW to get involved in national campaigns by setting up a **BMW Region Action Group**.
- 3) I will try to bring as many USI campaigns to member colleges.

3) Represent

Represent – the students on the ground, by not only showing up to their Union Councils but also holding **regional events** and town halls to I can get to know the issues effecting our members.

2) Lobby

Lobby – local TD's and other politicians on local and national issues within the region.

- 1) I will lobby BMW county councils and TDs on behalf of member colleges on issues that affect them.**
- 2) I will bring USI issues to TDs and meet with them as much as i can to lobby on behalf of USI**

4) Fight

Fight— every day and every hour for our students in the BMW region with vigor and passion.

- 1) By bringing their issues to USIs National Board.**
- 2) By helping lobby their college administration, TDs and county councils.**
- 3) I will assist and help our members on their local campaigns and protests.**

5) Be Seen

Be seen – by our members as much as I can, USI should be a household name for every student, our organisation needs to be seen on the ground as much as possible and as our BMW VP, I will ensure this by implementing my localised events and **campaign groups.**