Dublin City University

Civic Engagement Forum

Minutes

Meeting of the DCU Civic Engagement Forum at 10.00 am on Tuesday 12\textsuperscript{th} April 2016 in DG12 – The Bea Orpen Building, Dublin City University.

Present: Danielle Montgomery, Joanna Ozarowska, Barry McMullin, Susan Hawkins, Alan Kearns, Samantha Fahy, Una Redmond, Deiric Ó Broin (Chairperson) and Aisling McKenna.

Apologies: Padraig Murphy, Katya McDonagh, Eleanor Healion, Ronnie Munck, Paul Downes, Pauline Willis, Kim Sweeney, Christine O’Kelly, Ailbhe Garvey and Billy Kelly.

1. Minutes

The minutes were agreed.

2. Matters Arising

Aisling McKenna briefed the meeting on the recently completed public engagement survey and detailed the next steps in its development. It was proposed and agreed that the results of the survey would be included as an agenda item for the next meeting of the Forum.

3. Reports and updates

- President’s Award for Engagement 2016

Joanna Ozarowska and Deiric Ó Broin outlined the progress to date in preparing for the awards and the key issues arising. In particular, they noted:

- The increase in nominations;
- The number of nominations coming from SPD;
- The number of nominations coming from external partners.
The meeting welcoming the successful trajectory of the awards and the traction the awards were gaining within the new DCU.

4. Meeting schedule for 2016-2017

Deiric Ó Broin noted that a number of Forum members had highlighted the difficulty in attending Tuesday morning meetings and proposed a schedule of meetings for 2016-2017 on Wednesday at 2.00 pm. It was agreed that this was worth exploring and once the proposed dates don’t conflict with Academic Council or Education Committee the Forum would meet on the dates proposed.

5. AOB

Barry McMullin raised a recent request for support from the De Borda Institute. The meeting agreed to support the request in any way it was possible to do so.

Deiric Ó Broin informed the meeting that Lobbying regulator, Sheri Pinault, would be addressing a meeting on 20th April in DCU and members were welcome to attend.