

**EXECUTIVE MEETING**  
**Tuesday, 04 June 2013**

**Present:** Prof B MacCraith (*Chair*)  
 Dr C Bohan, Prof J Costello, Mr P Doherty,  
 Mr J Dowling, Dr J Doyle,  
 Prof E Guilfoyle, Prof A Harvey,  
 Mr W Kelly, Dr D Kenny, Dr L Looney,  
 Dr C Mac Murchaidh  
 Prof B McMullin, Ms T Murray.  
 Mr C McGivern, Mr C O’Cuinn,  
 Dr D Raftery, Dr A Sinnott,  
 Mr P Smith

**In attendance:** Mr A Clogher, Ms M Colgan, Mr P McDermott

**Apologies:** Ms M Burns,

**PART A:** *Minutes and matters for noting*

*Action Point*

<p><b>1. MINUTES OF EXECUTIVE MEETING OF 21 MAY.</b></p> <p>Approved.</p>	
<p><b>2. DRAFT EXECUTIVE MINUTES FOR WEB</b></p> <p>Approved.</p>	
<p><b>3. MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES</b></p> <p>There were no matters arising</p>	
<p><b>4. PRESIDENT’S REPORT</b></p> <p>The President welcomed Aaron Clogher, President Elect DCU Students’ Union, to his first meeting of the Executive. Mr Clogher will formally commence his membership of the Executive at the next meeting, on 18 June.</p> <p>The President reported that the HEA has published its report to the Minister on the reconfiguration of the higher education system, the ‘Landscape’ report. The IUA Council will discuss at their meeting of 10 June.</p>	

<p>The President reported on the HEA Strategic Innovation and Development Funding call for submissions, which was issued on 31 May.</p> <p>The President drew attention to the new DCU website. He acknowledged the significant work that went in to the redesign. He asked that any comments be sent to the Director of Communications and Marketing.</p> <p>The President noted that the presentation ceremony for the inaugural President's Awards for Innovation (sponsored by Fujitsu) would be held on 07 June.</p> <p>The President noted the success of DCU students in winning the Enactus Ireland national social enterprise competition for third-level institutions, for the second year in a row.</p> <p>The President congratulated Professor Alan Smeaton on his admittance to the Royal Irish Academy.</p> <p>The President acknowledged the successful hosting of the recent European Consortium of Innovative Universities (ECIU) meeting at DCU. Dr Declan Raftery was thanked for his work on this. The importance of this visit, in terms of the University's international projection, was noted.</p>	<p>Comments on redesign of DCU website to Director of Communications and Marketing.</p>
<p><b>5. MINUTES OF QPC MEETING OF 20 MARCH.</b></p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<p><b>6. REGISTRY QuIP.</b></p> <p>Noted. The Deputy President, as Chair of the QPC, noted that the QuIP for Registry will now be put to the Governing Authority.</p>	
<p><b>7 MINUTES OF EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING OF 1 MAY.</b></p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<p><b><i>PART B: Matters for Decision</i></b></p> <p><b>8. MOU DCU AND SIT-LC.</b></p> <p>The Executive Dean of Engineering and Computing presented an updated</p>	

<p>MOU between DCU and SIT-LC. The issue around staging of payments was now resolved and outlined in the revised MOU. The Dean had spoken to the Dean of Graduate Studies and incorporated the suggested changes.</p> <p>The MOU was approved by the Executive.</p> <p>In response to a question, it was confirmed that students would have the option to attend the graduation ceremony in DCU. There would not be a conferring ceremony in China.</p>	
<p><b>9. FEE SCHEDULE.</b></p> <p>The Director of Finance presented the fee schedule for post-graduate fees in 2013/14. It had been agreed that this summary of the position on fees for the coming year would be brought to the Executive on an annual basis. The schedule for research master's programmes and PhD fees was tabled.</p> <p>It was noted that there is an overall reduction in fees for 2013/14.</p> <p>Non-EU fees will also be reduced.</p> <p>The fee schedule for 2013/14 was approved by the Executive.</p> <p>The Executive Dean of Engineering and Computing will discuss the Graduate Skills Conversion Programme with the Vice-President for Academic Affairs / Registrar.</p>	<p>The Executive Dean of Engineering and Computing will discuss the Graduate Skills Conversion Programme with the Vice-President for Academic Affairs / Registrar.</p>
<p><b>10. DCU IN THE COMMUNITY.</b></p> <p>The Executive Director of Strategic and External Affairs presented a proposal on DCU in the Community.</p> <p>He noted the difficulty in securing adequate future funding for DCU in the Community, particularly in light of the forthcoming termination of Ballymun Regeneration Ltd.</p> <p>He proposed that a review of DCU in the Community is undertaken to provide the University with a number of costed multi-annual options for delivering on the commitments made in the Strategic Plan.</p> <p>He proposed an 8 to 10 week review period.</p> <p>Approved by the Executive.</p> <p>The Executive Director of Strategic and External Affairs will report back to</p>	<p>The Executive Director of Strategic and External Affairs will report back to the Executive 8 to 10 weeks after the first meeting of the</p>

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<p><b><i>PART C: Matters for Discussion</i></b></p> <p><b>9 STUDENT ENGAGEMENT.</b></p> <p>There was no update for this meeting.</p>	
<p><b>10 ANY OTHER BUSINESS.</b></p> <p><b>10.1 Students' Union President.</b>  Mr Paul Doherty, President of the DCU Students' Union, said that he had enjoyed his work with the Executive over the last year, and thanked members. The President expressed his gratitude on behalf of the Executive for the work carried out, and the enthusiasm shown, by Mr Doherty.</p>	
<p><b>Date of next meeting:</b>  Tuesday, 18 June, 2013.</p>	