Kieran Minto President officer report: September

September is always the busiest month of the year, with freshers, events occurring alongside normal meetings and project work.

Meetings:

- I attended the first **Senate meeting** of the year where presentations were made by all PVCs and the vice chancellor on areas such as; faculty academic plans, student numbers, finances and university plans for the year more generally were presented. The director and I also presented on the union, laying the groundwork for our next 5-year plan. I also attended a senate appraisal meeting in order to give my feedback on senate and its structure more generally, as part of the ongoing university governance review.
- I took part in a **Student Debt & Management** committee, where I advocated for support for students facing debt problems.
- I attended the usual **recuring committees** and meetings with senior staff that is expected of the role.
- I attended **Planning and finance** alongside the C&S officer, where we discussed the universities financial operations, and proposed expansion to the business operations of the university.

Internal events:

- I and the officers took a major part in the Welcome day and the associated induction talks.
- I and the officers attended the **freshers fair**, mainly to recruit reps and association members.
- We attended numerous freshers' events; Rag y2k, household, big breakfast
- We attended a dinner celebrating the work of Senator George J. Mitchell in the NI peace process.
- I attended the **Sporting Excellence Celebration awards**, alongside Queens Olympians and Armagh GAA team.

Project focus/Planning:

- The officer team discussed **officer roles** and put together a draft set of changes.
- Work on the **swap shop** continued
- The C&E officer and I worked with the **C&S** team, on planned changes for the year and how C&S will fit into our next 5-year plan.
- Work as part of the **Academic year** group continued, with a draft proposal completed.
- Work on the Swap shop continued

Other:

- I and the other officers took part in the **residential assistant's** induction, delivering an induction on the union.
- I took part in a number of **media engagements** both internal and external, such as; a Belfast live interview, a photoshoot with Translink and internal Queens/SU comms.
- The officer team delivered freshers induction presentations across the university.
- I gave an **interview** to Dr Helena Lim on student engagement.