



**University College Dublin Governing Authority  
Summary of Ordinary Meeting  
26 June 2025**

1. The Governing Authority appointed Michael Roche (SU President), Matt Mion (SU Education Officer) and Emilia O'Hagan (SU Welfare Officer) to the Governing Authority for terms ending on the earlier of the expiration of one year or a new SU Executive assumes office.
2. The Governing Authority appointed Michael Roche (SU President), to the Finance, Remuneration and Asset Management Committee.
3. The Governing Authority appointed Emilia O'Hagan and Kelly Fitzgerald, to the Strategy Oversight Committee.
4. The Governing Authority approved the minutes of the meetings of 14 May 2025, pending minor amendments, and noted the action tracker and annual work programme.
5. The Vice-President for Strategy and External Engagement to amend the Strategy Oversight Framework to ensure 'students and faculty' are appropriately referenced.
6. The Governing Authority approved UCD's Budget for the financial year 2025-2026 which covers the period 1 October 2025 to 30 September 2026.
7. The Governing Authority required the five-year financial plan be brought back to its next meeting including information on the repayment of the proposed debt.
8. The Governing Authority noted the Report of the Finance, Remuneration and Asset Management Committee.
9. The Governing Authority approved the Detailed Business Case for the second phase of refurbishment (phase 2) of the 2nd floor of the James Joyce Library and part of the 1st floor to create the new Cultural Heritage Centre including storage for the National Folklore Collection and grant approval to issue tenders for the project.
10. The Governing Authority approved an increase in the budget from €2.15m to €3.25m for design fees and other costs anticipated to be incurred to progress the James Joyce Library Refurbishment Phase 2 project to the end of Stage 3 design and to issue tenders.
11. The Governing Authority confirmed that Residence Phase 2 Block A remains a strategic priority project for the University.
12. The Governing Authority approved the final business case for Residence Phase 2 Block A.
13. The Governing Authority approved the award of the contract subject to the approval by the Higher Education Authority and the Housing Finance Agency granting approval in principle to UCD's loan application at their meeting in July 2025.
14. The Governing Authority approved the full development budget for Residence Phase 2 Block A.
15. The Governing Authority approved the pre-contact works and mobilisation of the project team with associated costs at UCD's risk prior to Higher Education Authority approval. These costs are not to exceed €650k.
16. The Governing Authority affirmed the decision by the fifth Governing Authority on 16th October 2018 to dispose of circa 0.22 hectares or 0.53 acres of leasehold land at UCD Boat Club, Islandbridge, to the State (Minister for Public Expenditure and Reform) and extend the term of the existing leasehold on the remaining lands by 50 years.
17. The Governing Authority approved the rationale and preliminary business case for the Biomedical Facility project with an estimated cost of €3.4m.

18. The Governing Authority approved, subject to the preliminary business case, an initial project budget of €110k to undertake professional design services and seek tender costs for the project.
19. The Governing Authority approved the Responsible Investment Policy.
20. The Governing Authority noted the report from the Audit and Risk Management Committee.
21. The Governing Authority approved the C&AG Financial Statements.
22. The Governing Authority noted the update from the Chief People Officer.
23. The Governing Authority approved the Charities Annual Return and Compliance Record Form 2023/2024.
24. The Governing Authority noted the report from the Students' Union
25. The Governing Authority noted the CINTE Institutional Quality Improvement Plan Update
26. The Governing Authority approved the transfer process for the NVRL proceeding to the Department of Health.
27. The Governing Authority approved the renewal of the UCD-NCAD Memorandum of Agreement for a period of 10 years, commencing from 1 September 2025.
28. The Governing Authority approved the four appointments to the Faculty Promotions Committee commencing from 1 September 2025.