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Content and Format of Report

This report has been prepared pursuant to Standing Order 100 (3), (4), (5) and (6), (Dáil Éireann) and Standing Order 77 (3), (4), (5) and (6) (Seanad Éireann) which provide for the Joint Committee to-

undertake a review of its procedure and its role generally; prepare an annual work programme; lay minutes of its proceedings before both Houses; make an annual report to both Houses.

At its meeting on the 24 January 2023, the Joint Committee agreed that all these items should be included in this report covering the period from 1 January 2022 to 31 December 2022.

Establishment and Functions

2.1. Establishment of the Select Committee

The Dáil Select Committee was established by Order of Dáil Éireann of the 30th July 2020, to consider Bills, Estimates for Public Services, Motions, and the terms of any international agreement involving a charge on public funds, which come within the aegis of the Department on Education and Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science.

The Select Committee may also consider Annual Output Statements, Value for Money Reviews and Policy Reviews prepared by the relevant Government Department.

2.2 Establishment of the Joint Committee

The Dáil Select Committee, under the same Order, was enjoined with a Select Committee of Seanad Éireann, established by Order of Seanad Éireann of the 18th September 2020 to form the Joint Committee on Education, Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science.

Functions of the Joint Committee

Among the principal functions of the Joint Committee are to consider—

Public affairs administered by the Department of Education and Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science.

Matters of policy for which the Minister for Education and Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science are responsible for.

legislative and expenditure proposals for both Departments.

EU legislative proposals.

Certain matters relating to bodies under the aegis of the Department of Education and Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science.

The Orders of Reference of the Dáil Select Committee and the Joint Committee are set out at Appendix 1.

Cathaoirleach, Leas-Cathaoirleach and Membership

Dáil Standing Order 104 (2) provides for a proportion of Cathaoirligh to be allocated to each group by means of the D'Hondt System. Deputy Paul Kehoe was appointed as Cathaoirleach of the Select Committee on 3rd September 2020 by an Order of Dáil Éireann. The Cathaoirleach of the Select Committee is also the Cathaoirleach of the Joint Committee. Senator Fiona O'Loughlin was elected as Leas-Cathaoirleach of the Joint Committee on the 8th October 2020.

Membership of the Committee, including all internal changes within the reported period, is listed at Appendix 2.

Meetings, Attendance and Recording

Meetings of the Joint Committee and Select Committee took place in the Committee rooms in Leinster House 2000. Meetings were in public unless otherwise ordered by the Committee.

Committee proceedings were broadcast live within Leinster House and also made available to RTE, TV3 and TG4. Proceedings were also live streamed on our

website and through our app. Since September 2014 the proceedings of Committees in public session, typically recorded but occasionally live, are broadcast on the dedicated parliamentary channel Oireachtas TV which is available on these channels:

Saorview 22, Sky 517, Virgin Media 207, Eir Vision 504 Vodafone Channels 201, 207 (Dáil Éireann) and 208 (Seanad Éireann)

An Official Report (Parliamentary Debates) of the public meetings of the Committee may be viewed on the Houses of the Oireachtas website at www.oireachtas.ie.

Copies of other reports published by the Joint Committee are also available on the Oireachtas Committee website pages at www.oireachtas.ie. A list of these reports is set out at paragraph 7.

Number and Duration of Meetings

Joint Committee

The Joint Committee met on 33 occasions during the period under report. The number of hours of discussion involved in these meetings was in excess of 58 hours.

The Committee met privately 6 times in 2022.

The subject matter of each meeting of the Joint Committee, including the groups, organisations or individuals who attended the meetings, is detailed in Appendix 3. The Minutes of Proceedings of the Joint Committee in public session are attached at Appendix 4.

Select Committee

The Dáil Select Committee met 6 times during the period under report and the number of hours of discussion involved in these meetings was in excess of 9 hours.

The subject matter of each meeting, including the groups, organisations or individuals who attended the meetings of the Select Committee, is detailed in *Appendix 5.* The proceedings (Imeachtaí) of the Select Committee are attached at *Appendix 6.*

Witnesses attending before the Committee(s)

During the period, the number of speaking witnesses for each of the Committees was as follows:

COMMITTEE NAME	NUMBER OF WITNESSES
Joint Committee	149
Select Committee	4

Committee Reports Published

During the period under report, the Joint Committee published the following reports:

Work Programme 2022.

Annual Report 2021.

Report on Leaving Certificate Reform: the Need for a New Senior Cycle.

Report on the Future Funding of Higher Education.

Report on Education and Supports Provision for Displaced Ukrainian Students.

Report on North South Student Enrolment in Tertiary Education.

Study Visit to Mountjoy and Dóchas Education Centres.

Study Visit to Dorset, 10 and 11 November 2022.

Travel

The Joint Committee undertook the following travel in accordance with its Orders of Reference in connection with its Work Programme.

Purpose of Travel: Study Visit to Mountjoy and Dóchas Education Centres.

<u>Date and Destination:</u> Tuesday, 04 October 2022, Mountjoy Prison and the Dóchas Centre.

<u>Members Travelling:</u> Mr. Paul Kehoe T.D. (Cathaoirleach), Mr. Jim O'Callaghan T.D., Mr. Marc Ó Cathasaigh T.D. and Senator Eileen Flynn.

<u>Accompanying Officials</u>: Ms. Tara Kelly, Committee Clerk, Ms. Niamh Murray, Policy Advisor and Mr. David Kilcoyne, Junior Clerk.

<u>Purpose of Travel:</u> Study Visit to Dorset, 10 and 11 November 2022.

<u>Date and Destination:</u> Thursday 10 and Friday 11 November 2022, Dorset, United Kingdom.

Members Travelling: Mr. Paul Kehoe T.D. (Cathaoirleach) and Senator Rónán Mullen.

<u>Accompanying Officials:</u> Ms. Tara Kelly, Committee Clerk and Mr. David Kilcoyne, Junior Clerk.

EU Mainstreaming

9.1 Legislative Proposals

From January to December 2022, the Joint Committee considered EU matters at 2 meetings involving consideration of the following 2 legislative proposals:

PROPOSAL NO. P	PROPOSAL TITLE	OUTCOME
R R e:	Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION amending Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe, as regards the Chips Joint Undertaking	No further scrutiny

COM(2022)526	Proposal for a DECISION OF THE	No further scrutiny
	EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT AND	
	OF THE COUNCIL on a European	
	Year of Skills 2023	

No further action or scrutiny was required for either proposal.

Reports on Functions and Powers

The Joint Committee is currently satisfied with its present procedures and role.

Paul Kehoe T.D.

Cathaoirleach

24 January 2022

APPENDIX 1 – Order of Reference

Scope and Context of Activities of Committees (derived from Standing Orders – DSO 94 (2), SSO 70)

The Joint Committee may only consider such matters, engage in such activities, exercise such powers and discharge such functions as are specifically authorised under its orders of reference and under Standing Orders;

such matters, activities, powers and functions shall be relevant to, and shall arise only in the context of, the preparation of a report to the Dáil/and or Seanad;

the Joint Committee shall not consider any matter which is being considered, or of which notice has been given of a proposal to consider, by the Committee of Public Accounts pursuant to Dáil Standing Order 218/Seanad Standing Order 186 and/or the Comptroller and Auditor General (Amendment) Act 1993;

the Joint Committee shall not consider any matter which is being considered, or of which notice has been given of a proposal to consider, by the Joint Committee on Public Petitions in the exercise of its functions under Dáil Standing Order 125(1)/Seanad Standing Order 108(1); and

the Joint Committee shall refrain from inquiring into in public session or publishing confidential information regarding any matter if so requested, for stated reasons given in writing, by—

- (i) a member of the Government or a Minister of State, or
- (ii) the principal office-holder of a body under the aegis of a Department or which is partly or wholly funded by the State or established or appointed by a member of the Government or by the Oireachtas:

Provided that the Chairman may appeal any such request made to the Ceann Comhairle, whose decision shall be final.

It shall be an instruction to all Select Committees to which Bills are referred that they shall ensure that not more than two Select Committees shall meet to consider a Bill on any given day, unless the Dáil, after due notice given by the Chairman of the Select Committee, waives this instruction on motion made by the Taoiseach pursuant to Standing Order 35. The Chairmen of Select Committees shall have responsibility for compliance with this instruction.

Functions of Departmental Committees (derived from Standing Orders – DSO 95 and SSO 71)

- (1) The Select Committee shall consider and report to the Dáil on-
- (a) such aspects of the expenditure, administration and policy of a Government Department or Departments and associated public bodies as the Committee may select, and
- (b) European Union matters within the remit of the relevant Department or Departments.
- (2) The Select Committee may be joined with a Select Committee appointed by Seanad Éireann for the purposes of the functions set out in this Standing Order, other than at paragraph (3), and to report thereon to both Houses of the Oireachtas.
- (3) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Select Committee shall consider, in respect of the relevant Department or Departments, such—
- (a) Bills,
- (b) proposals contained in any motion, including any motion within the meaning of Dáil Standing Order 220,
- (c) Estimates for Public Services, and
- (d) other matters

as shall be referred to the Select Committee by the Dáil, and

- (e) Annual Output Statements including performance, efficiency and effectiveness in the use of public moneys, and
- (f) such Value for Money and Policy Reviews as the Select Committee may select.

- (4) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Joint Committee may consider the following matters in respect of the relevant Department or Departments and associated public bodies:
- (a) matters of policy and governance for which the Minister is officially responsible,
- (b) public affairs administered by the Department,
- (c) policy issues arising from Value for Money and Policy Reviews conducted or commissioned by the Department,
- (*d*) Government policy and governance in respect of bodies under the aegis of the Department,
- (e) policy and governance issues concerning bodies which are partly or wholly funded by the State or which are established or appointed by a member of the Government or the Oireachtas,
- (f) the general scheme or draft heads of any Bill
- (g) scrutiny of private members' Bills in accordance with Dáil Standing Order 178, or detailed scrutiny of private members' Bills in accordance with Dáil Standing Order 161
- (h) any post-enactment report laid before either House or both Houses by a member of the Government or Minister of State on any Bill enacted by the Houses of the Oireachtas,
- (*i*) statutory instruments, including those laid or laid in draft before either House or both Houses and those made under the European Communities Acts 1972 to 2009,
- (*j*) strategy statements laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas pursuant to the Public Service Management Act 1997,

- (k) annual reports or annual reports and accounts, required by law, and laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas, of the Department or bodies referred to in subparagraphs (d) and (e) and the overall performance and operational results, statements of strategy and corporate plans of such bodies, and
- (/) such other matters as may be referred to it by the Dáil from time to time.
- (5) Without prejudice to the generality of paragraph (1), the Joint Committee shall consider, in respect of the relevant Department or Departments—
- (a) EU draft legislative acts standing referred to the Select Committee under Dáil Standing Order 133/Seanad Standing Order 116, including the compliance of such acts with the principle of subsidiarity,
- (b) other proposals for EU legislation and related policy issues, including programmes and guidelines prepared by the European Commission as a basis of possible legislative action,
- (c) non-legislative documents published by any EU institution in relation to EU policy matters, and
- (*d*) matters listed for consideration on the agenda for meetings of the relevant EU Council of Ministers and the outcome of such meetings.
- (6) Where the Select Committee has been joined with a Select Committee appointed by Seanad Éireann, the Chairman of the Dáil Select Committee shall also be the Chairman of the Joint Committee.
- (7) The following may attend meetings of the Select or Joint Committee, for the purposes of the functions set out in paragraph (5) and may take part in proceedings without having a right to vote or to move motions and amendments:
- (a) members of the European Parliament elected from constituencies in Ireland, including Northern Ireland,

- (b) members of the Irish delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, and
- (c) at the invitation of the Committee, other members of the European Parliament.
- (8) The Joint Committee may, in respect of any Ombudsman charged with oversight of public services within the policy remit of the relevant Department or Departments, consider—
- (a) such motions relating to the appointment of an Ombudsman as may be referred to the Committee, and
- (b) such Ombudsman reports laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas as the Committee may select: Provided that the provisions of Dáil Standing Order 130/Seanad Standing Order 113 apply where the Select Committee has not considered the Ombudsman report, or a portion or portions thereof, within two months (excluding Christmas, Easter or summer recess periods) of the report being laid before either or both Houses of the Oireachtas.

Powers of Committees (derived from Standing Orders – DSO 96, 133 and 135 and SSO 71, 116 and 118)

The Joint Committee has: -

- (1) power to take oral and written evidence and to print and publish from time to time minutes of such evidence taken in public before the Select Committee together with such related documents as the Select Committee thinks fit;
- (2) power to invite and accept oral presentations and written submissions from interested persons or bodies;
- (3) power to send for persons, papers and records (see also DSO 99/SSO 76);
- (4) power to appoint sub-Committees and to refer to such sub-Committees any matter comprehended by its orders of reference and to delegate any of its powers to such sub-Committees, including power to report directly to the Dáil;
- (5) power to draft recommendations for legislative change and for new legislation;
- (6) power to examine any statutory instrument, including those laid or laid in draft before either House or both Houses and those made under the European Communities Acts 1972 to 2009, and to recommend, where it considers that such action is warranted, whether the instrument should be annulled or amended;
- (7) for the purposes of paragraph (6), power to require any Government Department or instrument-making authority concerned to submit a Memorandum to the Select Committee explaining any statutory instrument under consideration or to attend a meeting of the Select Committee for the purpose of explaining any such statutory instrument: Provided that such Department or authority may decline to attend for stated reasons given in writing to the Select Committee, which may report thereon to the Dáil:
- (8) power to require that a member of the Government or Minister of State shall attend before the Select Committee to discuss policy for which he or she is officially

responsible: Provided that a member of the Government or Minister of State may decline to attend for stated reasons given in writing to the Select Committee, which may report thereon to the Dáil: and provided further that a member of the Government or Minister of State may request to attend a meeting of the Select Committee to enable him or her to discuss such policy;

- (9) power to require that a member of the Government or Minister of State shall attend before the Select Committee to discuss proposed primary or secondary legislation (prior to such legislation being published) for which he or she is officially responsible: Provided that a member of the Government or Minister of State may decline to attend for stated reasons given in writing to the Select Committee, which may report thereon to the Dáil: and provided further that a member of the Government or Minister of State may request to attend a meeting of the Select Committee to enable him or her to discuss such proposed legislation;
- (10) power to require that a member of the Government or Minister of State shall attend before the Select Committee and provide, in private session if so requested by the member of the Government or Minister of State, oral briefings in advance of meetings of the relevant EU Council of Ministers to enable the Select Committee to make known its views: Provided that the Committee may also require such attendance following such meetings;
- (11) power to require that the Chairperson designate of a body or agency under the aegis of a Department shall, prior to his or her appointment, attend before the Select Committee to discuss his or her strategic priorities for the role;
- (12) power to require that a member of the Government or Minister of State who is officially responsible for the implementation of an Act shall attend before a Select Committee in relation to the consideration of a report under Standing Order 197;
- (13) subject to any constraints otherwise prescribed by law, power to require that principal office-holders in bodies in the State which are partly or wholly funded by the State or which are established or appointed by members of the Government or by the Oireachtas shall attend meetings of the Committee, as appropriate, to discuss issues for which they are officially responsible: Provided that such an office-holder

may decline to attend for stated reasons given in writing to the Committee, which may report thereon to the Dáil;

- (14) power to engage, subject to the consent of the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission, the services of persons with specialist or technical knowledge, to assist it or any of its sub-Committees in considering particular matters; and
- (15) power to undertake travel, subject to-
- (a) such recommendations as may be made by the Working Group of Committee Chairmen under DSO 120(4)(a) and SSO 107(4)(a); and
- (b) the consent of the Houses of the Oireachtas Commission, and normal accounting procedures.

In accordance with Articles 6 of Protocol No. 2 to the Treaty on European Union and the Treaty on the Functioning of the European Union (*Protocol on the Application of the Principles of Subsidiarity and Proportionality*) as applied by sections 7(3) of the European Union Act 2009, the Committee has the power to-

consider whether any act of an institution of the European Union infringes the principle of subsidiarity (DSO 135; SSO 118); and

form a reasoned opinion that a draft legislative act (within the meaning of Article 3 of the said Protocol) does not comply with the principle of subsidiarity (DSO 133 and SSO 116).

APPENDIX 2: Membership

List of Members of the Joint Committee

(The Select Committee membership comprises of Deputies only)

Deputies: Rose Conway-Walsh (SF)

Cathal Crowe (FF)

Paul Kehoe (FG) (Cathaoirleach)

Carol Nolan (I)

Jim O'Callaghan (FF)

Marc O Cathasaigh (GP)

Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire (SF)

Aodhán Ó Ríordáin (LP)

Pádraig O'Sullivan (FF)

Senators: Aisling Dolan (FG)

Eileen Flynn (I)

Rónán Mullen (I)

Fiona O'Loughlin (FF) (Leas-Cathaoirleach)

Pauline O'Reilly (GP)

Notes:

Deputies nominated by the Dáil Committee of Selection and appointed by Order of the Dáil of 31st July 2020.

Senators nominated by the Seanad Committee of Selection and appointed by Order of the Seanad on 16th September 2020.

Senator Fiona O'Loughlin elected as Leas-Cathaoirleach on 8th October 2020.

Deputy Alan Farrell discharged, and Deputy Cathal Crowe nominated to serve in his stead by the Fifteenth Report of the Dáil Committee of Selection as agreed by Dáil Éireann on 23 June 2022.

APPENDIX 3 – Meetings of the Joint Committee

The following are the details, in date order, of the scheduled meetings of the Joint Committee which took place during the period under report.

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J59 18/01/22	Private Meeting	N/A
J60 25/01/22	Session 1: Motion 'That Dáil and Seanad Éireann approves the Technological Universities Act 2018 (Section 36) (Appointed Day) Order 2022'.	Mr. Niall Collins T.D., Minister of State for Skills and Further Education
	Session 2: Leaving Certificate Reform	Mr. Dalton Tattan, Assistant Secretary, Curriculum and Assessment Policy Area, Department of Education.
		Ms. Anne Tansey, National Director of the National Educational Psychological Service (NEPS)
		Ms. Orlaith O'Connor, Assistant Chief Inspector of Schools, Department of Education
		Mr. Eamonn Moran, Principal Officer, Curriculum and Assessment Policy Area, Department of Education.
		Ms. Evelyn O'Connor, Principal Officer, Curriculum and Assessment Policy Area, Department of Education
		Mr. Neville Kenny, Principal Officer, Curriculum and Assessment Policy Area, Department of Education
J61 01/02/22	Private	N/A

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J61 01/02/22	Pre-Committee Stage Scruting of the Education (Admission to Schools) Bill 2020	Dr. Michael Redmond, Director, Research and Development, Joint Managerial Body (JMB)
		Mr. Paul Crone, Director, National Association of Principals and Deputy Principals (NAPD)
		Ms. Eileen O'Rourke, General Secretary, National Association of Boards of Management in Special Education (NABMSE)
		Mr. Pat McKelvey, Director of Schools (Cork ETB) Education and Training Boards Ireland (ETBI)
100 00 (00 (00		Ms. Aine O'Sullivan. Assistant General Secretary, Association of Community and Comprehensive Schools (ACCS))
J62 08/02/22	Pre-Committee Stage Scrutiny of the Education (Admission to Schools) Bill 2020	Dr. Niall Muldoon, Ombudsman for Children
	Coco.c, Z 2020	Ms. Áine Lynch, CEO, National Parents Council (Primary) (NPCP) Ms Mai Fanning, President, National Parents Council (Post-Primary) (NPCPP)
		Dr. David Doyle, Associate Professor of Law, Maynooth University
		Ms. Suzanne Connolly, CEO, Barnardos
J63 15/02/22	Private	N/A
J64 22/02/22	Future Funding of Higher Education	Mr. Jim Miley, CEO, Irish Universities Association (IUA)
		Dr. Joseph Ryan, CEO, Technological Higher Education Authority (THEA)
		Professor Diarmaid O'Hegarty, Chairman, Higher Education Colleges Association (HECA)
J65 01/03/22	Private	N/A

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
	Future Funding of Higher Education	Dr. Anna Murphy, Senior Strategic Adviser, Quality & Qualifications Ireland (QQI)
		Mr. Tim Conlon, Head of Policy & Strategic Planning, Higher Education Authority (HEA)
		Mr. Andrew Brownlee, Chief Executive Officer, SOLAS
		Dr. Mary-Liz Trant, Interim Director, National Apprenticeship Office
J66 08/03/22	Future Funding of Higher Education	Mr. Martin Marjoram, President, Teachers Union of Ireland (TUI)
		Ms. Clare Austick, President, Union of Students in Ireland (USI)
		Mr. Karl Byrne, Chairman, Congress Education Sector Group, Irish Congress of Trade Unions (ICTU)
		Mr. Frank Jones, General Secretary, Irish Federation of University Teachers (IFUT)
		Dr. Andrew P Allen, Chairman, Irish Research Staff Association
		Ms. Stella Griffin, Assistant General Secretary with responsibility for Higher Education, FÓRSA
J67 22/03/22	Private	N/A

Meeting No.	Topic	Organisations, Groups and
J67 22/03/22	Future Funding of Higher Education	Individuals who attended Ms. Marian Duggan, Vice President, Academic Affairs & Registrar/ VP Equality, Diversity & Inclusion, Technological University of the Shannon Midlands Midwest (TUS) Mr. Tim Horgan, Head of Faculty of
		Engineering & Science, Munster Technological University (MTU)
		Dr. Aedín Doris, Department of Economics, Maynooth University; Professor Mark Rogers, Registrar and Vice President for Academic Affairs, University College Dublin (UCD)
		Ms. Bríd Horan, Chair, DCU Governing Authority
J68 24/03/22	Motion 'That Dáil and Seanad Éireann approves the Technological Universities Act 2018 (Section 36) (Appointed	Mr. Simon Harris T.D., Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science
	Day) Order (no.2) 2022'.	Mr. Niall Collins T.D., Minister of State for Skills and Further Education

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J69 29/03/22	Future Funding of Higher Education	Dr. Peter Brown, Director, Irish Research Council (IRC)
		Dr. Ciarán Seoighe, Deputy Director General, Science Foundation Ireland (SFI)
		Dr. Arjumand Younus, Co-director, Women in Research Ireland; Mr Tony Donohoe, Policy Advisor, Irish Business and Employers Confederation (IBEC)
		Mr. Neil McDonnell, Chief Executive, Irish Small and Medium Enterprises (ISME)
		Ms. Margaret O'Rourke Doherty, Chair, Irish Small and Medium Enterprises (ISME)
		Professor Emer Smyth, Research Professor, Social Research Division and Growing Up in Ireland, Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI)
		Dr. Niall Kennedy, Founding Member, Irish Precarity Network
J70 05/04/22	Private	N/A
	Future Funding of Higher Education	Mr. Michael Ryan, Head of Mental Health Engagement & Recovery, National MH, Health Service Executive (HSE)
		Dr. Joseph Duffy, CEO, Jigsaw; Dr. Joseph Morning, Content Editor for Mental Health, Spunout
		Mr. Mark Smyth, Past President, Irish Psychological Society
		Ms. Trish Murphy, Acting Director, Student Counselling Service, Student Learning Development, Trinity College Dublin representing the Irish Council for Psychotherapy

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J71 26/04/22	Leaving Certificate Reform	Ms. Arlene Forster, CEO, National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NCCA)
		Mr. Barry Slattery, Deputy Chief Executive Officer, National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NCCA)
		Ms. Evelyn O'Connor, Acting Director, National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NCCA)
		Ms. Andrea Feeney, CEO, State Examinations Commission (SEC)
		Ms. Elaine Sheridan, Head of Examinations & Assessment Division, State Examinations Commission (SEC)
		Mr. Richard Dolan, Director of Operations, State Examinations Commission (SEC)
J72 10/05/22	Private	N/A
J73 17/05/22	Future Funding of Higher Education	Ms. Josephine Feehily, Chair, Technological University of the Shannon Midlands Midwest (TUS)
		Mr. Jimmy Deenihan, Chair, Munster Technological University (MTU)
		Professor Patrick Prendergast, Chair, South East Technological University (SETU)
J74 24/05/22	Private	N/A

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J74 24/05/22	Session 1: Future Funding of	Mr. Michael Hourihan, Official
	Higher Education	Delegate, World Skills Ireland
		Mr. Ray English, Official Delegate, World Skills Ireland
		Ms. Natalia Leane, 2021 Cookery competitor, World Skills Ireland
		Mr. Mark Mc Sherry, 2021 Bricklaying competitor, World Skills Ireland
		Ms. Megan Yeates, 2019 Logistics competitor, World Skills Ireland
		Mr. Patrick Twomey, 2019 Metal Fabrication competitor, World Skills Ireland
	Session 2: Future Funding of Higher Education	Mr. Simon Harris T.D., Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science
J75 01/06/22	Session 1: Review of Out of School Education Provision Report	Ms. Norma Foley T.D., Minister for Education
	Education and Supports Provision for displaced Ukrainian students	Ms. Josepha Madigan T.D., Minister of State for Special Education and Inclusion
	Session 2: Education and Supports Provision for displaced Ukrainian students	Mr. Simon Harris T.D., Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science
J76 14/06/22	Private	N/A

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J76 14/06/22	Education and Supports Provision for displaced Ukrainian students	Ms. Meg Ryan, Migrant Case Worker, Irish Red Cross Ms. Nuala Ward, Director of
		Investigations, Office of the Ombudsman for Children Ms. Clodagh Carroll, Assistant Director
		of Children's Services, Barnardos
		Mr. Nick Henderson, CEO, Irish Refugee Council
		Ms. Kathleen Moran, Chairperson, Irish Library Association (ILA) School Libraries Group (SLG)
J77 21/06/22	Session 1: The need for revised criteria for Special Needs Assistant (SNA) qualification.	Ms. Josepha Madigan T.D., Minister of State for Special Needs and Inclusion
	Private	N/A
	Session 2: The need for revised criteria for Special Needs Assistant (SNA) qualification.	Mr. Andy Pike, National Secretary; Fórsa
	, , ,	Ms. Noreen O'Mahony, Chair, Fórsa Education Executive and an SNA from a special school
		Mr. Shane Lambert, Assistant General Secretary (Schools) Fórsa
		Ms. Catriona Galster, an SNA working in a special class
		Ms. Niamh Jordan, an SNA working in a mainstream class
		Ms. Linda O'Sullivan, an SNA working in a special class
J78 28/06/22	Private	N/A

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J78 28/06/22	Young Social Innovators	Ms. Rachel Collier, CEO, Young Social Innovators (YSI)
		Mr. Barry Peak, Learning and Training Specialist, Young Social Innovators (YSI)
		Ms. Karen Murphy, Teacher, Coláiste Bhríde, Carnew, County Wicklow
		Mr. Darragh Rawson, Student, Coláiste Bhríde, Carnew, County Wicklow
		Ms. Annie Sheppard, Student, Coláiste Bhríde, Carnew, County Wicklow
J79 05/07/22	Private	N/A
	Session 1: Ireland Prison Education Strategy 2019 – 2022	Ms. Caron McCaffrey, Director General, Irish Prison Service (IPS)
		Mr. Fergal Black, Director of Care and Rehabilitation, Irish Prison Service (IPS)
		Mr. Stephen O Connor, Organiser, City of Dublin Educational and Training Board (CDETB) Educational Service to Prisons, Mountjoy Prison, Education and Training Boards Ireland (ETBI)
		Ms. Lorraine Higgins, Assistant Principal I, Cork Educational and Training Board (ETB) Education Service to Prisons, Education and Training Boards Ireland (ETBI)
J79 05/07/22	Session 2: Current and future provision of Prisoner Education	Ms. Claire O'Connell, Chairperson, Irish Prison Education Association (IPEA)
		Ms. Catherine Byrne, Steering Committee member, Irish Prison Education Association (IPEA)
J80 12/07/22	Private	N/A
J81 20/09/22	Private	N/A

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J82 21/09/22	Discussion on School Transport Issues	Ms. Norma Foley T.D., Minister for Education
J83. 12.10.22	Discussion on: Cork Life Centre and the Review of Out-of-School Education Provision Report Progress made in implementing the recommendations contained in the Joint Committee Reports entitled School Bullying and the Impact on Mental Health and Leaving Certificate Reform: the Need for a new Senior Cycle Teaching Provision to include Teacher Shortages, Teaching Council Registration, Teacher Diversity and Primary Teachers Fluency in Irish Proposals to expand Physical and Digital Library Services in Schools	Ms. Norma Foley T.D., Minister for Education
J84. 18.10.22	Private	N/A

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
	Roundtable discussion on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education	Mr. Enda McGorman, Principal, Mary Mother of Hope National School, Dublin 15, Irish Primary Principals' Network (IPPN)
		Mr. Paul Crone, Director, National Association of Principals and Deputies (NAPD)
		Mr Craig Petrie, Executive Member and Principal of East Glendalough School, Association of Community & Comprehensive Schools (ACCS)
		Mr. John Curtis, General Secretary, Joint Managerial Board (JMB)
		Ms. Eileen O'Rourke, General Secretary, National Association of Boards of Management in Special Education (NABMSE)
		Mr. Mark McDonald, Director of Schools, City of Dublin Educational and Training Board (CDETB), Education and Training Boards Ireland (ETBI)

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J85. 19.10.22	Discussion on: Key Recommendations contained in the Joint Committee Report entitled The Future Funding of Higher Education. Student Accommodation PHD Candidates Renumeration North South Cross Border Enrolment and the key Recommendations contained in the Joint Committee Report entitled North South Student Enrolment in Tertiary Education Withdrawal of CORU Accreditation for the Applied Social Care Course at Dublin Business School	Mr. Simon Harris T.D., Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science
J86. 25.10.22	Private	N/A
	Roundtable discussion on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education	Ms Máirín Ni Chéileachair, Director of Education, Research and Learning, Irish National Teachers Organisation (INTO) Ms Sarah Behan, Vice President for Welfare, Union of Students in Ireland (USI) Mr. Frank Jones, General Secretary, Irish Federation of University Teachers (IFUT) Mr. David Duffy, Education Research Officer, Teachers Union of Ireland (TUI) Ms. Anjelica Foley, Welfare Officer, Irish Second Level Students Union (ISSU) Mr Gary Honer, Industrial Relations Officer, FÓRSA Ms. Moira Leydon, Assistant General Secretary, Association of Secondary Teachers in Ireland (ASTI)

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
J87. 08.11.22	Private	N/A
	Session 1: Roundtable discussion on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education	Prof. Paul Downes, Professor of Psychology of Education and Director, Educational Disadvantage Centre, Dublin City University (DCU)
		Dr Siobhán O'Reilly, Post Doctoral Researcher, DCU Anti Bullying Centre
		Ms Sarah Stockham, Clinical Lead, Dorset Mental Health Support Team, Dorset HealthCare University NHS Trust
	Session 2: Roundtable discussion on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education	Professor Barbara Dooley, Deputy President and Acting Registrar, UCD, and currently Chair of the Irish Universities Association (IUA) Registrars, IUA
		Ms. Treasa Fox, Head of Student Counselling Service, Athlone Campus, Technological University of the Shannon Midlands Midwest (TUS), Technological Higher Education Authority (THEA)
		Ms. Patricia O'Sullivan, Executive Director, the Higher Education Colleges Association (HECA).

Meeting No.	Topic	Organisations, Groups and
and Date		Individuals who attended
J88. 15.11.22	Roundtable discussion on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education	Mr Derek Chambers, General Manager (Policy Implementation), National Mental Health Operations, HSE National Mental Health Services
		Ms Maureen Murray, Youth Mental Health Promotion Manager, Jigsaw
		Mr. Ian Power, CEO, Spunout
		Mr Mark Smyth, Past President (2020) and current Council member, The Psychological Society of Ireland (PSI)
		Ms. Lisa Molloy, CEO, Irish Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy (IACP)
		Ms Mary Logue, Vice Chair & Board Director, Irish Council for Psychotherapy (ICP)
		Ms Fiona Jennings, Senior Policy and Public Affairs Manager, Irish Association for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (ISPCC).
J89. 22.11.22	Private	N/A
	Roundtable discussion on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education	Dr Niall Muldoon, Ombudsman for Children
	Tertiary Education	Ms Suzanne Connolly, CEO, Barnardos
		Ms. Kathleen Moran, Chairperson, School Libraries Group (SLG) of the Irish Library Association (ILA) School Libraries Group (SLG)
		Mr. Michael Kelly, CEO and Founder, GIY/Grow at School
		Mr Colm Ó Cuanacháin, Education Director, Fighting Words.
J90. 29.11.22	Private	N/A

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
	Session 1: Roundtable discussion on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary	Ms Áine Lynch, CEO, National Parents Council (Primary) (NPCP)
	Education	Mr Paul Rolston, Communications Director, National Parents Council (Post-Primary) (NPCPP)
		Mr Paul Gilligan, CEO, St Patrick's Mental Health Services
		Ms. Hilary McAlea, Principal, Corpus Christi Primary School, Moyross, Limerick
	Session 2: Roundtable discussion on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary	Ms. Annie Sheppard, Student, Coláiste Bhríde, Co Wicklow
	Education	Mr. Darragh Rawson, Student, Coláiste Bhríde, Co Wicklow
		Ms. Molly Hynes, Coláiste Bhríde, Co Wicklow
		Mr. Ryan Sharpe, Past-Student, Cork Life Centre (CLC)
		Ms. Tami O' Leary, Student, Cork Life Centre (CLC)
		Mr. Hugh Ahern, Student, Patrician Academy, County Cork
J92. 13.12.22	Private	N/A

APPENDIX 4: Minutes of Proceedings of the Joint Commitee

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 18 JANUARY 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11 a.m. virtually through Microsoft Teams, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway-Walsh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire Aodhán Ó Ríordáin and Pádraig O'Sullivan.

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Fiona O'Loughlin and Pauline O'Reilly

Apologies were received from Deputy Jim O'Callaghan

Private Session

ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 11.17 am until 11.00 am, on Tuesday, 25 January, in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach,

25 January 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 25 JANUARY 2022

The Joint Committee met in public session at 11.06 p.m.in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Marc O Cathasaigh, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin and Pádraig O'Sullivan.

Senators: Aisling Dolan. Eileen Flynn and Pauline O'Reilly

Apologies were received Deputy Alan Farrell and Senator Fiona O'Loughlin who was substituted for by Senator Malcolm Byrne.

Public Session

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS ON 7 AND 14 DECEMBER 2021 AND 18 JANUARY 2022

The Minutes of the meetings held on 7 and 14 December 2021 and 18 January 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH MR. NIALL COLLINS, TD, MINISTER OF STATE FOR SKILLS AND FURTHER EDUCATION. The Chairman welcomed the Minister of State and his Officials.

He explained that the purpose of the meeting was to consider a Dáil and Seanad Motion: 'That Dáil Éireann and Seanad Éireann approves the Technological Universities Act 2018 (Section 36) (Appointed Day) Order 2022'

Minister of State Collins made an opening statement.

The Chair then stated, that 'in accordance with Dáil Standing Order 87 and Seanad Standing Order 75, the following message would be sent to the Clerks of the Dáil and Seanad:

The Joint Committee on Education, Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science has completed its consideration of the following motion:

That Dáil and Seanad Éireann approves the Technological Universities Act 2018 (Section 36) (Appointed Day) Order 2022'.

The Cathaoirleach suspended the meeting at 11.24 am and it resumed at 11.48 in Public Session.

MEETING WITH DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND NATIONAL EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICE (NEPS) OFFICIALS REGARDING LEAVING CERTIFICATE REFORM (RESUMED)

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Mr. Dalton Tattan, Assistant Secretary; Department of Education

Ms. Anne Tansey, National Director of the National Educational Psychological Service (NEPS)

Ms. Orlaith O'Connor, Assistant Chief Inspector of Schools

Mr. Eamonn Moran, Principal Officer; Curriculum and Assessment Policy Area

Ms. Evelyn O'Connor, Principal Officer, Curriculum and Assessment Policy Area

Mr. Neville Kenny, Principal Officer, Curriculum and Assessment Policy Area

This was followed by a question and answer session with Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the Officials for the comprehensive briefing and noted that it was very beneficial to the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 1.17pm until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 1 February 2022 in private and then Public session on MS Teams.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

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Cathaoirleach,

1 February 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 1 FEBRUARY 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.13 a.m. in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin and Pádraig O'Sullivan.

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Eileen Flynn, Rónán Mullen, Fiona O'Loughlin and Pauline O Reilly.

Apologies were received from Deputy Alan Farrell.

Private Session

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The Committee suspended from 11.13 am until 11.15 am to let the witnesses take their seats.

Public Session

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 25 JANUARY 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 25 January 2022 was agreed.

MEETING WITH SCHOOL MANAGEMENT REPRESENTATIVE BODIES REGARDING SCRUTINY OF THE EDUCATION (ADMISSIONS TO SCHOOL) BILL, 2020

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Dr Michael Redmond, Director, Research and Development, Joint Managerial Board (JMB).

Ms Áine O'Sullivan, Assistant General Secretary, Association of Community and Comprehensive Schools (ACCS).

Mr. Pat McKelvey, Director of Schools (Cork ETB), Education and Training Boards Ireland (ETBI).

Ms Eileen O'Rourke, General Secretary, National Association of Boards of Management in Special Education (NABMSE).

Mr Paul Crone, Director, National Association of Principals and Deputies (NAPD).

This was followed by a question and answer session with Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.32pm until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 8 February 2022 in Public Session

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

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Cathaoirleach,

8 February 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 8 FEBRUARY 2022

The Joint Committee met in public session at 11.12 a.m. in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

Senators: Rónán Mullen and Fiona O'Loughlin

Apologies were received from Senator Eileen Flynn.

Public Session

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 1 FEBRUARY 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 1 February 2022 was agreed.

MEETING WITH PARENT GROUPS AND OTHER RELEVANT ORGANISATIONS REGARDING DETAILED SCRUTINY OF THE EDUCATION (ADMISSIONS TO SCHOOL) BILL, 2020

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Dr Niall Muldoon, Ombudsman for Children.

Ms Aine Lynch, CEO, National Parents Council (Primary) (NPCP).

Mai Fanning, President, National Parents Council (Post-Primary) (NPCPP).

Dr David Doyle, Associate Professor in Law, Maynooth University

Ms. Suzanne Connolly, CEO, Barnardos.

Dr David Doyle, Associate Professor of Law, Maynooth University.

The Cathaoirleach noted that the Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission (IHREC) had been invited to attend but declined the invitation due to other commitments. It did make a written submission which will be considered as part of the Committee's detailed scrutiny of the Bill.

This was followed by a question and answer session with Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 12.19pm until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 15 February 2022 in Private and then Public Session

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

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Cathaoirleach,

15 February 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 15 FEBRUARY 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.12 a.m. in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Marc Ó Cathasaigh, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin. Rose Conway Walsh and Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Fiona O'Loughlin and Pauline O'Reilly

Apologies were received from Deputy Alan Farrell.

Private Session

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ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 11.22 pm until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 22 February 2022 in Public Session

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

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Cathaoirleach,

22 February 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 22 FEBRUARY 2021

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.06 a.m. in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway-Walsh, Alan Farrell, Jim O'Callaghan, Pádraig O'Sullivan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Eileen Flynn and Pauline O'Reilly

Apologies were received from Senator Fiona O'Loughlin. Senator Malcolm Byrne substituted for Senator O'Loughlin.

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 15 FEBRUARY 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 15 February 2022 was agreed.

MEETING WITH HIGHER EDUCATION INSTITUTIONS (HEI) REPRESENTATIVE ORGANISATIONS REGARDING THE FUTURE FUNDING OF HIGHER EDUCATION

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Mr Jim Miley, CEO, Irish Universities Association (IUA.).
Dr Joseph Ryan, CEO, Technological Higher Education Authority (THEA).
Professor Diarmuid Hegarty, Chairman, Higher Education Colleges Association (HECA).

This was followed by a question and answer session with Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.36 p.m. until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 1 March 2022 in Private and then Public Session

Mr Paul Kehoe TD Cathaoirleach 01 March 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 1 MARCH 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.09 a.m. in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (*in the Chair*), Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Pádraig O'Sullivan.

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Eileen Flynn, Rónán Mullen and Fiona O'Loughlin.

Apologies were received from Deputies Alan Farrell and Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

PRIVATE SESSION

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The Committee suspended from 11.12 am until 11.14 am to let the witnesses take their seats.

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 22 FEBRUARY 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22 February 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH STATUTORY BODIES REGARDING THE FUTURE FUNDING OF HIGHER EDUCATION

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Dr Anna Murphy, Senior Strategic Adviser, Quality & Qualifications Ireland (QQI). Mr Tim Conlon, Head of Policy & Strategic Planning, Higher Education Authority (HEA). Mr Andrew Brownlee, Chief Executive Officer, SOLAS. Dr Mary-Liz Trant, Interim Director, National Apprenticeship Office.

This was followed by a question and answer session with Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 13.23pm until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 8 March 2022 in Public Session

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach,

8 March 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 8 MARCH 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.04 a.m. in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway-Walsh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Aodhán Ó Ríordáin and Pádraig O'Sullivan.

Senators: Senators Eileen Flynn, Rónán Mullen and Fiona O'Loughlin (Senator Malcolm Byrne substituted for her)

Apologies were received from Deputies Alan Farrell and Marc Ó Cathasaigh and Senators Aisling Dolan, Eileen Flynn, Rónán Mullen and Fiona O'Loughlin.

Senator Lynn Boylan attended the meeting.

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 1ST MARCH 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 1st March 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH RELEVANT UNIONS

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Mr. Martin Marjoram, President, Teachers Union of Ireland (TUI).

Ms. Clare Austick, President, Union of Students in Ireland (USI)

Mr. Karl Byrne, Chair, Congress Education Sector Group, Irish Congress of Trade Unions (ICTU).

Mr. Frank Jones, General Secretary, Irish Federation of University Teachers (IFUT).

Dr Andrew Allen, Chair, Irish Research Staff Association

Ms. Stella Griffin, Assistant General Secretary with responsibility for Higher Education, Fórsa.

The Cathaoirleach explained that Mr. Byrne would make an Opening Statement on behalf of Congress Education Sector Group, Irish Congress of Trade Unions (ICTU), SIPTU and Fórsa.

The witnesses (except Ms Griffin) made Opening Statements on the Future Funding of Higher Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 12.41 pm until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 22 March 2022 in Private and then Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach,

22 March 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 22 MARCH 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.09am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh

Senators:

Apologies were received from Deputies Alan Farrell, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Senator Eileen Flynn and Senator Fiona O'Loughlin.

Senator Malcolm Byrne substituted for Senator Fiona O'Loughlin.

PRIVATE SESSION

ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

The Committee suspended from 11.27 a.m until 11.30 a.m to let the witnesses take their seats.

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 8TH MARCH 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th March 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH RELEVANT ACADEMICS

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Ms Marian Duggan, Vice President, Academic Affairs & Registrar/ VP Equality, Diversity & Inclusion, Technological University of the Shannon Midlands Midwest (TUS).

Mr. Tim Horgan, Head of Faculty of Engineering & Science, Munster Technological University (MTU).

Dr. Aedín Doris, Department of Economics, Maynooth University; Professor Mark Rogers, Registrar and Vice President for Academic Affairs, University College Dublin (UCD). Professor Mark Rogers, Registrar and Vice President for Academic Affairs, University College Dublin (UCD).

Ms Bríd Horan, Chair, Dublin City University (DCU) Governing Authority

The witnesses made Opening Statements on the Future Funding of Higher Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.28 pm until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 29 March 2022 in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach,

29 March 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 24 MARCH 2022

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.35 a.m.in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway-Walsh, Alan Farrell, Marc O Cathasaigh, Pádraig O'Sullivan and Donnchadh O Laoghaire.

Senators: Eileen Flynn and Fiona O'Loughlin.

PUBLIC SESSION

MEETING WITH MR. SIMON HARRIS TD, MINISTER FOR FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE AND MR. NIALL COLLINS, TD, MINISTER OF STATE FOR SKILLS AND FURTHER EDUCATION.

The Cathaoirleach welcomed the Minister, the Minister of State and their Officials.

He explained that the purpose of the meeting was to consider a Dáil and Seanad Motion: `That Dáil Éireann and Seanad Éireann approves the Technological Universities Act 2018 (Section 36) (Appointed Day) Order 2022'

Minister Harris made an opening statement.

The Cathaoirleach then stated, that 'in accordance with Dáil Standing Order 87 and Seanad Standing Order 75, the following message would be sent to the Clerks of the Dáil and Seanad:

The Joint Committee on Education, Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science has completed its consideration of the following motion:

That Dáil and Seanad Éireann approves the Technological Universities Act 2018 (Section 36) (Appointed Day) Order 2022'.

The Cathaoirleach adjourned the meeting at 10.06 am

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29 March 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 29 MARCH 2022

The Joint Committee met in Public session at 11.05 a.m. in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Donnchadh Ó

Laoghaire

Senators: Eileen Flynn, Pauline O'Reilly

Apologies were received from Deputies Alan Farrell, and Senator Fiona O'Loughlin.

Senator Malcolm Byrne substituted for Senator Fiona O'Loughlin.

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 22ND MARCH 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd March 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH OTHER RELEVANT ORGANISATIONS

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Dr Peter Brown, Director, Irish Research Council (IRC) (virtual attendance).

Dr. Ciarán Seoighe, Deputy Director General, Science Foundation Ireland (SFI).

Dr Arjumand Younus, Co-director, Women in Research Ireland.

Mr Tony Donohoe, Policy Advisor, Irish Business and Employers Confederation (IBEC).

Mr. Neil McDonnell, Chief Executive, Irish Small and Medium Enterprises (ISME) (Ms.

O'Rourke replaced Mr. McDonnell during meeting as he had to leave early).

Professor Emer Smyth, Research Professor, Social Research Division and Growing Up in Ireland, Economic and Social Research Institute (ESRI)

Dr. Niall Kennedy, Founding Member, Irish Precarity Network.

The witnesses made Opening Statements on the Future Funding of Higher Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.26pm until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 5 April 2022 in Private and then Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach

5 April 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 5 APRIL 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.03 a.m. in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Pádraig O'Sullivan.

Senators: Fiona O'Loughlin (in the Chair), Rónán Mullen, Aisling Dolan, Pauline O'Reilly.

Apologies were received from Senator Eileen Flynn.

Senator Malcom Byrne attended the meeting.

PRIVATE SESSION

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The Committee suspended from 11.19 am until 11.23am to let the witnesses take their seats.

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 29 MARCH 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 29 March 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH OTHER RELEVANT ORGANISATIONS

The Leas Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Mr. Michael Ryan, Head of Mental Health Engagement & Recovery, Health Service Executive (HSE) Mental Health Services.

Dr Joseph Duffy, CEO, Jigsaw.

Dr Joseph Morning Content Editor for Mental Health, Spunout.

Mr Mark Smyth, Past President Irish Psychological Society.

Ms Trish Murphy, Acting Director, Student Counselling Service, Student Learning Development, Trinity College Dublin, representing Irish Council for Psychotherapy.

The Leas Cathaoirleach noted that Mental Health Ireland sent their apologies as a representative could not attend the meeting. The organisation had made a comprehensive written submission.

The witnesses made Opening Statements on the Future Funding of Higher Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Leas Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.22pm until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 26 April 2022 in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

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26 April 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 26 APRIL 2022

The Joint Committee met in Public session at 11.07 a.m. in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire, Marc Ó Cáthasaigh, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin and Carol Nolan.

Senators: Eileen Flynn, Pauline O'Reilly and Aisling Dolan

Apologies were received from Deputies Alan Farrell, and Senator Fiona O'Loughlin.

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 26TH APRIL 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th April 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH NCCA AND SEC.

The Cathaoirleach welcomed

Ms. Arlene Forster, CEO, National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NCCA).

Mr Barry Slattery, Deputy Chief Executive Officer NCCA.

Ms Evelyn O'Connor, Acting Director, NCCA.

Ms. Andrea Feeney, CEO, State Examinations Commission SEC.

Ms Elaine Sheridan, Head of Examinations & Assessment Division, SEC.

Mr Richard Dolan, Director of Operations, SEC.

The witnesses made Opening Statements on Leaving Certificate Reform.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.32 pm until 11.00am on Tuesday, 10 May 2022 in Private Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach

10 May 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 10 MAY 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.07 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Jim O'Callaghan, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Marc Ó Cathasaigh

Senators: Aisling Dolan

PRIVATE SESSION

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ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 11.20am until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 17 May 2022 in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach

17 May 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 17 MAY 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.04 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway-Walsh, Alan Farrell, Jim O'Callaghan, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Pádraig O'Sullivan.

Senator Pauline O'Reilly.

Apologies were received from Deputies Alan Farrell, and Senators Eileen Flynn, Rónán Mullen and Fiona O'Loughlin.

Senator Malcolm Byrne substituted for Senator Fiona O'Loughlin.

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 26TH APRIL 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 26th April 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH CHAIRS OF THE TECHNOLOGICAL UNIVERSITIES.

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Ms Josephine Feehily, Chair, Technological University of the Shannon Midlands Midwest (TUS).

Mr. Jimmy Deenihan, Chair, Munster Technological University (MTU).

Professor Patrick Prendergast, Chair, South East Technological University (SETU)

The witnesses made Opening Statements on the Future Funding of Higher Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a beneficial and productive discussion.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.01 pm until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 24 May 2022 in Private and then Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach,

24 May 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 24TH MAY 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.01 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Alan Farrell, Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh, Carol Nolan, Pádraig O'Sullivan

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Pauline O'Reilly

Apologies were received from Deputies Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Senator Eileen Flynn and Senator Fiona O'Loughlin.

Senator Malcolm Byrne substituted for Senator Fiona O'Loughlin.

PRIVATE SESSION

ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

The Committee suspended from 11.11 a.m. until 11.14 a.m. to let the witnesses take their seats.

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 17TH MAY 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 17th May 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH WORLDSKILLS IRELAND REPRESENTATIVES AND MINISTER HARRIS

SESSION 1 - WORLD SKILLS IRELAND

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Mr. Michael Hourihan, Official Delegate.

Mr. Ray English, Official Delegate.

Ms Natalia Leane; 2021 Cookery competitor.

Mr. Mark Mc Sharry, 2021 Bricklaying competitor.

Ms. Megan Yeates, 2019 Logistics competitor.

Mr. Patrick Twomey, 2019 Metal Fabrication competitor.

Mr. Hourihan and Mr. English made Opening Statements on the Future Funding of Higher Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

The Committee suspended from 13.10pm until 13.15pm to let Minister Harris and his officials take their seats.

SESSION 2

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Mr. Simon Harris TD, Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science.

The Minister made an Opening Statement on the Future Funding of Higher Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the Minister for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 14.08 pm until 11.00 am on Wednesday, 1 June 2022 at 5.30 pm in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach

1 June 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 1 JUNE 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 17.34pm in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Rose Conway-Walsh, Alan Farrell, Carol Nolan, Jim O'Callaghan, Marc Ó Cathsaigh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire, Aodhán Ó Riórdáin and Pádraig O'Sullivan

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Eileen Flynn and Fiona O'Loughlin

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 24TH MAY 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th May 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH MINISTER FOLEY AND MINISTER OF STATE MADIGAN (SESSION 1)

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Ms Norma Foley TD, Minister for Education and Ms. Josepha Madigan, Minister of State for Special Education and Inclusion.

Minister Foley and Minister of State Madigan made Opening Statements on 2 items:

1) Review of Out of School Education Provision Report published by the Social Inclusion Unit, Department of Education, on 12th May last and, specifically,

Why was the Joint Committee not informed of the publication of the Report?

What are the Minister's intentions regarding sustainable funding for Cork Life Centre (CLC) as there is no Funding Model contained in the Report?

What is the rationale behind the decision to only focus on 13 to 15-year-old students in the Review? What plans are in place for students of 16 years and over who are at Senior Cycle in an Alternative Education Setting as the Review makes no provision for this cohort?

2) Education and Supports Provision for displaced Ukrainian students

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members on Item 1 first and then Item 2.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the Minister, Minister of State and their Officials for a beneficial and productive discussion

MEETING WITH MINISTER HARRIS (SESSION 2)

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Mr. Simon Harris, TD, Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science and his Official to the meeting.

The Minister made an Opening Statement on Education and Supports Provision for displaced Ukrainian students.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the Minister and his Official for a beneficial and productive discussion.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 20.40 pm until 11.25 am on Tuesday, 14 June 2022 in Private and then Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

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Cathaoirleach

14 June 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 14TH June 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.03 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair),* Carol Nolan, Jim O'Callaghan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Pádraig O'Sullivan

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Eileen Flynn and Pauline O' Reilly

Apologies were received from Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh and Senator Fiona O'Loughlin.

PRIVATE SESSION

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The Committee suspended from 11.14 am until 11.16 am to let the witnesses take their seats.

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 1ST JUNE 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 1st June 2022 were agreed.

EU SCRUTINY

It was agreed that COM (2022) 47, a Proposal for a COUNCIL REGULATION amending Regulation (EU) 2021/2085 establishing the Joint Undertakings under Horizon Europe, as regards the Chips Joint Agreement, warrants no further scrutiny.

MEETING WITH RELEVANT STAKEHOLDERS

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Ms. Meg Ryan, Migrant Case Worker, Irish Red Cross.

Ms Nuala Ward, Director of Investigations, Office of the Ombudsman for Children.

Ms Clodagh Carroll, Assistant Director of Children's Services, Barnardos.

Mr. Nick Henderson, CEO, Irish Refugee Council.

Ms. Kathleen Moran, Chairperson, Irish Library Association (ILA) School Libraries Group (SLG).

He noted that Dr Caroline Heary, NUIG Researcher, declined the invitation as it is not within her area of expertise.

The witnesses each made an Opening Statement on education provision and supports for displaced Ukrainian Students.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.27.pm until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 21 June 2022 in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach

21 June 2022

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 21 JUNE 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.04 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (*in the Chair*), Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Pádraig O'Sullivan.

Senators. Aisling Dolan, Eileen Flynn and Pauline O'Reilly.

Apologies were received from Deputy Alan Farrell and Senator Fiona O'Loughlin.

Senator Malcolm Byrne substituted for Senator Fiona O'Loughlin.

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 14TH JUNE 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 14th June 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH MOS MADIGAN, FÓRSA AND REPRESENTATIVE SNAS

SESSION 1

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Ms. Josepha Madigan, TD, Minister of State for Special Needs and Social Inclusion.

The Minister of State made an Opening Statement on the need for revised criteria for Special Needs Assistants (SNA)s qualifications.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the Minister of State for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

The Committee suspended and went into Private Session from 12.04pm to 12.14pm.

PRIVATE SESSION

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PUBLIC SESSION

SESSION 2

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Mr Andy Pike, National Secretary; Fórsa.

Ms Noreen O'Mahony, Chair, Fórsa Education Executive and SNA in a special school.

Mr Shane Lambert, Assistant General Secretary (Schools) Fórsa.

Ms Catriona Galster, SNA working in a special class.

Ms Niamh Jordan, SNA working in a mainstream class.

Ms Linda O'Sullivan, SNA working in a special class

Mr Pike made an Opening Statement on the need for revised criteria for Special Needs Assistants (SNA)s qualifications. The 4 SNAs then gave brief overviews of their respective roles.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.30.pm until Tuesday, 28 June 2022 at 11.00 am in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach

28 June 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 28TH JUNE 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.02 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Jim O'Callaghan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire, Aodán Ó Ríordáin and Pádraig O'Sullivan

Senators: Fiona O'Loughlin, Pauline O'Reilly and Eileen Flynn.

Apologies were received from Deputies Rose Conway Walsh and Carol Nolan.

PRIVATE SESSION

ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 21ST JUNE 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st June were agreed.

MEETING WITH YOUNG SOCIAL INNOVATORS (YSI) ORGANISERS AND STAFF AND STUDENTS FROM A YSI PROJECT

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Ms Rachel Collier, CEO, YSI
Mr Barry Peak, Learning and Training Specialist, YSI
Ms. Karen Murphy, Teacher, Coláiste Bhríde, Carnew, County Wicklow
Mr Darragh Rawson, Student, Coláiste Bhríde, Carnew, County Wicklow
Ms. Annie Sheppard, Student, Coláiste Bhríde, Carnew, County Wicklow

Ms. Collier made an Opening Statement followed by a shared Opening Statement from Mr. Rawson and Ms. Sheppard.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very interesting. He commended the students on their eloquent and insightful contributions.

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 12.37pm until Tuesday, 5 July 2022 at 11.00 am in Private and then Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach

5 July 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 5TH JULY 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.08 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway-Walsh, Cathal Crowe, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire, Aodhán Ó'Riordáin

Senators: Eileen Flynn

Apologises were received from Deputy Marc Ó Cathsáigh.

PRIVATE SESSION

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The Committee suspended from 11.13 am until 11.15am to let the witnesses take their seats.

PUBLIC SESSION

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 5TH JULY 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 5th July 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH IRISH PRISON SERVICE, EDUCATION AND TRAINING BOARDS IRELAND AND THE IRISH PRISON EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (IPEA)

SESSION 1

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Ms. Caron McCaffrey, Director General, Irish Prison Service

Mr. Fergal Black, Director of Care and Rehabilitation, Irish Prison Service.

Mr. Stephen O Connor, Organiser, CDETB Educational Service to Prisons, Mountjoy

Ms. Lorraine Higgins, Assistant Principal I, Cork ETB Education Service to Prisons

Ms. McCaffrey and, then Mr O'Connor made Opening Statements on the IRELAND PRISON EDUCATION STRATEGY 2019 – 2022.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

The Committee suspended from 12.32 pm until 12.37 pm to let the witnesses for Session 2 take their seats.

SESSION 2

The Cathaoirleach welcomed

Ms Claire O'Connell, Chairperson, the Irish Prison Education Association (IPEA). Ms. Catherine Byrne, Steering Committee member, IPEA.

Ms. O'Connell made an Opening Statement on current and future education provision in Irish prisons.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.13pm until Tuesday, 12 July 2022 at 11.00 am in Private Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach

12 July 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 12TH JULY 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 12.33 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (*in the Chair*), Rose Conway Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire

Senator: Pauline O'Reilly

Apologies were received from Senator Eileen Flynn.

PRIVATE SESSION

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ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 12.46 pm until Tuesday, 20 September 2022 at 11.00 am in Private Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach

20 September 2022

Joint Committee on Education, Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science.

Minutes of Meeting of 20th September 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.06 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

Attendance

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Rose Conway Walsh and Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire.

Senators: Fiona O'Loughlin, Pauline O'Reilly and Eileen Flynn

Private Session

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Adjournment

The Committee adjourned at 11.34 am until Wednesday, 21 September 2022 at 9.30 am in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

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Cathaoirleach,

21 September 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 21 SEPTEMBER 2022

The Joint Committee met in public session at 9.33 am in CR1, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway Walsh, Cathal Crowe, Carol Nolan, Pádraig O'Sullivan, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Aodhán Ó Ríordáin

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Eileen Flynn, Pauline O'Reilly and Fiona O'Loughlin

Apologies were received from Deputy Jim O'Callaghan and Senator Rónán Mullen

Deputies Alan Dillion, Joe McHugh, Ruairí Ó Murchú, Darren O'Rourke, Michael McNamara, Marc MacSharry, Denis Naughten, and Senator Malcolm Byrne attended as non-Committee members.

Public Session

MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS ON 5TH JULY, 12TH JULY AND 20TH SEPTEMBER 2022

The Minutes of the Meetings held on 5th July, 12th July and 20th September 2022 were agreed

MEETING WITH MINISTER FOLEY

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Ms. Norma Foley TD and her Officials.

The Minister made an Opening Statement on School Transport Issues.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the Minister for a productive discussion.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 11.37 am until Wednesday, 5 October 2022 at 17.30 pm in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach,

12 October 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 12 OCTOBER 2022

The Joint Committee met in public session at 17.33 pm in CR1, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (*in the Chair*), Cathal Crowe, Rose Conway Walsh, Carol Nolan, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire, Pádraig O'Sullivan and Jim O'Callaghan

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Eileen Flynn and Rónán Mullen

Senator Malcolm Byrne substituted for Senator Fiona O'Loughlin

Deputies Mick Barry and Colm Burke attended as a non-Committee members.

Public Session

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 21ST SEPTEMBER 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 21st September were agreed.

MEETING WITH MINISTER FOLEY

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Ms. Norma Foley TD and her Officials.

The Minister made an Opening Statement on:

Cork Life Centre and the *Review of Out-of-School Education Provision* Report Progress made in implementing the recommendations contained in the Joint Committee Reports entitled *School Bullying and the Impact on Mental Health* and *Leaving Certificate Reform: the Need for a new Senior Cycle*

Teaching Provision to include Teacher Shortages, Teaching Council Registration, Teacher Diversity and Primary Teachers Fluency in Irish

Proposals to expand Physical and Digital Library Services in Schools

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the Minister for a productive discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 19.53 pm until Tuesday, 18 October 2022 at 11.00 am in Private and then Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach,

18 October 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 18TH OCTOBER 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.06 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Rose Conway-Walsh, Marc Ó Cathasaigh and Jim O'Callaghan

Senators: Ronan Mullen, Fiona O'Loughlin, Pauline O'Reilly and Eileen Flynn

Apologies were received from Deputies Cathal Crowe and Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire.

Private Session

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SUSPENSION

The Committee suspended at 11.13 am to allow the witnesses take their seats.

Public Session

The Joint Committee resumed in public session at 11.15 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 12TH OCTOBER 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 12th October 2022 were agreed

MEETING WITH SCHOOL MANAGEMENT AND REPRESENTATIVE BODIES

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Mr. Enda McGorman, Principal, Mary Mother of Hope National School, Dublin 15, Irish

Primary Principals' Network (IPPN).

Mr. Paul Crone, Director, National Association of Principals and Deputies (NAPD).

Mr Craig Petrie, Executive Member and Principal of East Glendalough School. Association of Community & Comprehensive Schools (ACCS).

Mr. John Curtis, General Secretary, Joint Managerial Board (JMB).

Ms. Eileen O'Rourke, General Secretary, National Association of Boards of Management in Special Education (NABMSE).

Mr. Mark McDonald, Director of Schools, City of Dublin Educational and Training Board (CDETB), Education and Training Boards Ireland (ETBI).

Each witness made an Opening Statement on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 13.17 pm until Wednesday, 19 October 2022 at 6.30 pm in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

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Cathaoirleach,

19 October 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 19 OCTOBER 2022

The Joint Committee met in public session at 18.33 pm in CR1, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Rose Conway Walsh and Aodhán Ó Ríordáin

Senators: Aisling Dolan and Pauline O'Reilly

Apologies were received from Senators Eileen Flynn and Fiona O'Loughlin who was substituted by Malcolm Byrne.

Public Session

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 18 OCTOBER 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 18th October were agreed.

MEETING WITH MINISTER HARRIS

The Cathaoirleach welcomed Mr. Simon Harris TD and his Officials.

The Minister made an Opening Statement on:

Key Recommendations contained in the Joint Committee Report entitled *The Future Funding of Higher Education*.

Student Accommodation

PHD Candidates Renumeration

North South Cross Border Enrolment and the key Recommendations contained in the Joint Committee Report entitled *North South Student Enrolment in Tertiary Education*

Withdrawal of CORU Accreditation for the Applied Social Care Course at Dublin Business School

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the Minister for a productive discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 19.43 pm until Tuesday, 25 October 2022 at 11.00 am in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

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Cathaoirleach

25 October 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 25TH OCTOBER 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.10 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Padraig O'Sullivan and Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Eileen Flynn, Rónán Mullen and Pauline O'Reilly

Apologies were received from Deputy Carol Nolan

Private Session

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The Committee suspended at 11.15 am to allow the witnesses take their seats

Public Session

The Committee resumed in public session at 11.16 am, in CR2, a quorum being present.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 25TH OCTOBER 2022

The Minutes of the Meetings held on 25th October 2022 were agreed.

MEETING WITH RELEVANT UNIONS AND THE STATE EXAMINATIONS COMMISSION

SESSION 1

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Ms Máirín Ni Chéileachair, Director of Education, Research and Learning, Irish National Teachers Organisation (INTO).

Ms Sarah Hughes, Union of Students in Ireland (USI).

Mr. Frank Jones, General Secretary, Irish Federation of University Teachers (IFUT).

Mr. David Duffy, Education Research Officer, Teachers Union of Ireland (TUI).

Ms. Anjelica Foley, Welfare Officer, Irish Second Level Students Union (ISSU).

Mr Gary Honer, Industrial Relations Officer, FÓRSA.

Ms. Moira Leydon, Assistant General Secretary Association of Secondary Teachers in Ireland (ASTI).

The Union Officials made Opening Statements on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

The Committee suspended at 12.56 pm to allow the witnesses take their seats

SESSION 2

The Committee resumed in public session at pm 12.59pm, in CR2, a quorum being present.

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Ms. Andrea Feeney, CEO, State Examinations Commission (SEC).

Ms Elaine Sheridan, Head of Examinations & Assessment Division State Examinations Commission (SEC).

Mr Richard Dolan, Director of Operations, State Examinations Commission (SEC).

The Officials made an Opening Statement on issues regarding the timing of the 2022 Junior Certificate Examination Results.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for the briefing which, he noted, had been very informative.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 14.05 pm until Tuesday, 8 November 2022 at 11.00 am in Private and then Public Session.

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Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach,

8 November 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 8TH NOVEMBER 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.11 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Rose Conway-Walsh & Carol Nolan

Senators: Rónán Mullen & Aisling Dolan

Apologies were received from Deputies Jim O'Callaghan, Cathal Crowe, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Senator Pauline O'Reilly

Deputy Bríd Smith attended as a non-member.

Private Session

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The Committee suspended from 11.19 am until 11.20 am to let the witnesses take their seats.

Public Session

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 25TH OCTOBER 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 25th October 2022 were agreed

MEETING WITH RELEVANT ACADEMICS AND DORSET HEALTHCARE UNIVERSITY NHS TRUST

SESSION 1

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Dr Paul Downes, Professor of Psychology of Education and Director, Educational Disadvantage Centre, Dublin City University (DCU).

Dr Siobhán O'Reilly, Post Doctoral Researcher, DCU Anti Bullying Centre, DCU.

Ms. Sarah Stockham, Clinical Lead, Dorset Mental Health Support Team, Dorset HealthCare

University NHS Trust.

The witnesses made Opening Statements on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

The Committee suspended from 12.29 pm until 12.35 pm to let the witnesses for Session 2 take their seats.

SESSION 2

The Cathaoirleach welcomed

Professor Barbara Dooley, Deputy President and Acting Registrar, UCD, and currently Chair of the Irish Universities Association (IUA) Registrars Group, representing the Irish Universities Association (IUA).

Ms. Treasa Fox, Head of Student Counselling Service, Athlone Campus, Technological University of the Shannon Midlands Midwest (TUS), representing the Technological Higher Education Authority (THEA).

Ms. Patricia O'Sullivan, Executive Director, the Higher Education Colleges Association (HECA).

The witnesses made Opening Statements on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education.,

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.52 pm until Tuesday, 15 November 2022 at 11.00 am in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach,

15 November 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 15TH NOVEMBER 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.05 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Jim O'Callaghan, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire & Aodhán Ó Riordáin

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Pauline O'Reilly & Fiona O'Loughlin

Public Session

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 8TH NOVEMBER 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 8th November 2022 were agreed

MEETING WITH PSYCHOLOGICAL SUPPORTS ORGANISATIONS

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Mr Derek Chambers, General Manager (Policy Implementation), National Mental Health Operations, HSE National Mental Health Services.

Ms Maureen Murray, Youth Mental Health Promotion Manager, Jigsaw.

Mr. Ian Power, CEO, Spunout.

Mr Mark Smyth, Past President (2020) and current Council member, The Psychological Society of Ireland.

Ms Lisa Molloy, CEO, Irish Association for Counselling and Psychotherapy (IACP).

Ms Mary Logue, Vice Chair & Board Director, Irish Council for Psychotherapy (ICP).

Ms Fiona Jennings, Senior Policy and Public Affairs Manager, Irish Association for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children (ISPCC).

The witnesses made Opening Statements on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.24 pm until Tuesday, 22 November 2022 at 11.00 am in Private and then Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

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Cathaoirleach,

22 November 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 22ND NOVEMBER 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.05 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh & Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire**Senators**: Aisling Dolan *(in the chair),* Fiona O'Loughlin & Pauline O'Reilly

Apologies were received from Deputy Paul Kehoe, Deputy Cathal Crowe, Senator Eileen Flynn and Senator Rónán Mullen.

Deputy Bríd Smith attended as a non-Committee member.

Private Session

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The meeting suspended from 11.08 am to 11.10 am to allow the witnesses to take their seats.

Public Session

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 15TH NOVEMBER 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 15th November 2022 were agreed

MEETING WITH OTHER RELEVANT ORGANISATIONS

The Temporary Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Dr Niall Muldoon, Ombudsman for Children.

Ms Suzanne Connolly, CEO, Barnardos.

Ms. Kathleen Moran, Chairperson, School Libraries Group (SLG) of the Irish Library Association (ILA) School Libraries Group (SLG).

Mr. Michael Kelly, CEO and Founder, GIY/Grow at School.

Mr Colm Ó Cuanacháin, Education Director, Fighting Words.

The witnesses made Opening Statements on Mental Health Supports in Schools and

Tertiary Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Temporary Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.03 pm until Tuesday, 29 November 2022 at 11.00 am in Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach,

29 November 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 29TH NOVEMBER 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 11.04 am in CR2, a quorum being present.

ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe *(in the Chair)*, Rose Conway-Walsh, Jim O'Callaghan, Pádraig O'Sullivan & Aodhán Ó'Riordáin

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Eileen Flynn & Pauline O'Reilly

Private Session

ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

The Committee suspended from 11.10 am until 11.13 am to let the witnesses take their seats.

Public Session

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON 22ND NOVEMBER 2022

The Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd November 2022 were agreed

MEETING WITH RELEVANT INDIVIDUALS AND POST PRIMARY STUDENTS

SESSION 1

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Ms Áine Lynch, CEO, National Parents Council (Primary) (NPCP)
Mr Paul Rolston, Communications Director, National Parents Council (Post-Primary) (NPCPP).

Mr Paul Gilligan, CEO, St Patrick's Mental Health Services.

Ms. Hilary McAlea, Principal, Corpus Christi Primary School, Moyross, Limerick.

The witnesses made Opening Statements on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

The Committee suspended from 12.30 pm until 12.34 pm to allow the witnesses take their seats for session 2.

SESSION 2

The Cathaoirleach welcomed:

Ms. Annie Sheppard, Mr. Darragh Rawson and Ms Molly Hynes, Coláiste Bhríde, Co Wicklow.

Mr Ryan Sharpe and Ms Tami O' Leary, Cork Life Centre (CLC).

Mr Hugh Ahern, Patrician Academy, County Cork

The witnesses made Opening Statements on Mental Health Supports in Schools and Tertiary Education.

This was followed by a question and answer session with the Members.

The Cathaoirleach thanked the witnesses for a productive discussion which was very beneficial to the Committee.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 13.51 pm until Tuesday, 13 December 2022 at 11.00 am in Private and then Public Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach,

13 December 2022

JOINT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF 13 DECEMBER 2022

The Joint Committee met in private session at 12.38 pm in CR2, a quorum being present.

1. ATTENDANCE

The following Members were present:

Deputies: Paul Kehoe (in the Chair) and Marc Ó Cathasaigh.

Senators: Aisling Dolan, Pauline O'Reilly and Eileen Flynn

Apologies were received from Senator Fiona O'Loughlin.

Private Session

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- 8. ITEM DISCUSSED IN PRIVATE SESSION

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

The Committee adjourned at 12.59 pm until 11.00 am on Tuesday, 24 January, in Private Session.

Mr Paul Kehoe TD

Cathaoirleach,

24 January 2023

APPENDIX 5: Meetings of the Dáil Select Committee

The following are the details, in date order, of the scheduled meetings of the Select Committee which took place during the period under report.

Meeting No. and Date	Topic	Organisations, Groups and Individuals who attended
S5.10/02/22	2022 Revised Estimates for Education (Vote 26)	Ms. Norma Foley T.D., Minister for Education
		Ms. Josepha Madigan T.D., Minister of State
		for Special Education and Inclusion
	2022 Revised Estimates for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science (Vote 45)	Mr. Niall Collins T.D., Minister of State for Skills and Further Education
S6.24/03/22	Committee Stage consideration of the Higher Education Autgority Bill 2022	Mr. Simon Harris T.D., Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science
S7.31/03/22	Committee Stage consideration of the Higher Education Autgority Bill 2022	Cancelled
S8.05/04/22	Committee Stage consideration of the Higher Education Autgority Bill 2022	Mr. Simon Harris T.D., Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science
S9.27/04/22	Committee Stage consideration of the Higher Education Autgority Bill 2022	Mr. Simon Harris T.D., Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science
S10. 28/06/22	Committee Stage consideration of the Education (Admission to Schools) Bill 2020	Ms. Norma Foley T.D., Minister for Education
S11. 30.11.22	Session 1: 2022 Supplementary Estimates for Education (Vote 26)	Ms. Norma Foley T.D., Minister for Education
	Session 2: 2022 Supplementary Estimates for Further and Higher Education, Research,	Mr. Niall Collins T.D., Minister of State for Skills and Further Education

Innovation and Science (Vote 45)	
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APPENDIX 6: Proceedings of the Select Committee (Imeachtaí)

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE

Dé Máirt, 10 Feabhra 2022

Tuesday, 10 February 2022

1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 1.30 p.m.

2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR

Bhí na comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

An Teachta Pól Mac Eochaidh (i gCeannas), An Teachta Norma Ní Fhoghlú (An tAire Oideachais), , An Teachta Seosaimhín Ní Mhadagáin, (an t Aire Stáit ag an Roinn Oideachais), An Teachta Niall Ó Coileáin, (an tAire Stáit ag an Roinn agus Ardoideachais, Breisoideachais Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), na Teachtaí Rós. Ní Chonnmhacháin-Fearghail, Breathnach, Ailín Ó DonnchadhÓ Laoghaire agus Pádraig Ó Súileabháin.

3. Breithniú ar Mheastacháin i gComhair Seirbhísí Poiblí.

Bhreithnigh an Coiste an Meastachán (na Meastacháin) seo a leanas i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí don bhliain dar críoch an 31 Nollaig, 2022 –

Vóta 26 (An Roinn Oideachais) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe).

Vóta 45 (Breisoideachas agus Ardoideachas, Taighde, Nuálaíocht agus Eolaíocht) (Meastachán Athbhreithnithe) 1. The Committee met at 1.30 p.m.

2. Members Present

The following Members were present:

Deputy Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Deputy Norma Foley (Minister for Education), , Deputy Josepha Madigan (Minister of State at the Department of Education), Deputy Niall Collins (Minister of State at the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), Deputies Rose Conway Walsh, Alan Farrell, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Pádraig Ó Sullivan.

3. Consideration of Estimates for Public Services.

The Committee considered the following Estimates for Public Services for the year ending 31st December 2022 –

Vote 26 (Education) (Revised Estimate).

Vote 45 (Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science) (Revised Estimate).

Críochnaíodh an breithniú ar an Meastachán.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála de réir Bhuan-Ordú 90 á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an Meastachán.

4. ATHLÁ.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 16.30. sine die.

Consideration of the Estimate was concluded.

Message sent to the Dáil in accordance with Standing Order 90 acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Estimate.

4. ADJOURNMENT.

The Committee adjourned at 16.30 sine die.

Paul Kehoe, T.D. Chairman Date: 10th February 2022

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE UM OIDEACHAS, BREISOIDEACHAS AGUS ARDOIDEACHAS, TAIGHDE, NUÁLAÍOCHT AGUS EOLAÍOCHT

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION, FURTHER AND HIGHER EDUCATION, RESEARCH, INNOVATION AND SCIENCE

Deardaoin, 24 Marta 2022 Thursday, 24 March 2022

1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 10.19 a.m.

1. The Committee met at 10.19 a.m.

2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR. 1

2. MEMBERS PRESENT.²

Bhí na comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

The following Members were present:

Teachta Pól Mac Eochaidh gCeannas), An Teachta Síomón Ó hEarchaí (An*tAire* Breisoideachais Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Teachtaí Eolaíochta), Na Rós Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach, Ailín Ó Fearghail, Pádraig Ó Súileabháin. Marc Ó Cathasaigh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire agus Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

Deputy Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Deputy Simon Harris (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), Deputies Rose Conway-Walsh, Alan Farrell, Pádraig O Sullivan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

3. An Bille an Údaráis um Ard-Oideachas, 2022.

3. HIGHER EDUCATION AUTHORITY BILL 2022.

Chrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

The Committee took the Bill into consideration.

(i) Ailt 1

(i) Section 1.

Tairgeadh leasú 1 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach).

Amendment 1 (Deputy Rose-Conway Walsh) proposed.

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Question put.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 3; Níl, 6.

The Committee divided: For, 3; Against, 6

¹ Ghlac an Teachta Séamas Laighléis, ionaid an Teachta Séamas Ó Ceallacháin. [B.O. 106(2)].

² Deputy James Lawless substituted for Deputy Jim O'Callaghan [S.O. 106(2)].

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire agus Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

Níl:- An Teachta Síomón Ó hEarchaí (An tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), Na Teachtaí Pól Mac Eochaidh (i gCeannas), Ailín Ó Fearghail, Séamus Laighléis, Pádraig Ó Súileabháin agus Marc Ó Cathasaigh.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis diúltú don Cheist – *diúltaíodh don leas*.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(ii) Alt 2.

Tairgeadh leasú 2 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 2 (An Teachta Marc Ó Cathasaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tharla Díospóireacht.

Cuireadh breithniú breise ar an mBille ar athló.

4. ATHLÁ.

For:- Deputies Rose Conway-Walsh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Aodhán o Ríordáin.

Against:- Deputy Simon Harris (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), Deputies Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Alan Farrell, James Lawless, Pádraig O Sullivan and Marc Ó Cathasaigh.

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – *amendment negatived*.

Section *agreed to*.

(ii) Section 2.

Amendment 2 (*Deputy Rose-Conway Walsh*) proposed and *negatived*.

Amendment 3 (*Deputy Marc Ó Cathasaigh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Debate ensued

Further consideration of the Bill adjourned.

4. ADJOURNMENT.

The Committee adjourned at 10.56 a.m until 17.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 06 April, 2022.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 10.56 a.m. go dtí 17.30 p.m. Dé Céadaoin, 06 Aibreann, 2022.

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE

Dé Céadaoin, 06 Aibreann 2022 Wednesday, 06 April 2022

- 5. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 5.30 p.m
- 5. The Committee met at 5.30 p.m.

6. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR.³

Bhí na comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

An Teachta Pól Mac Eochaidh (i gCeannas), An Teachta Síomón Ó hEarchaí (An tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), Na Teachtaí Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach, Ailín Ó Fearghail, Séamas Ó Ceallacháin, Pádraig Ó Súileabháin. Marc Ó Cathasaigh agus Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

6. Members Present.

The following Members were present:

Deputy Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Deputy Simon Harris (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), Deputies Rose Conway-Walsh, Alan Farrell, Jim O'Callaghan, Pádraig O Sullivan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh and Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

- 7. An Bille an Údaráis um Ard-Oideachas, 2022.
- 7. HIGHER EDUCATION AUTHORITY BILL 2022.

³ Ghlac an Teachta Aengus Ó Snodaigh ionaid an Teachta Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire [B.O. 106(2)].

Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh substituted for Deputy Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire. [S.O. 106(2)].

D'athchrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

(ii) Alt 2

Tairgeadh leasú 4 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 5 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 6 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(iii) Aontaíodh ailt 3, 4, 5, 6 agus 7, 24.

(iv) Alt 8

Tairgeadh leasú 7 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 8 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 10 (An Teachta Marc Ó Cathasaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 11 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 13 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach).

Cuireadh an Cheist.

The Committee resumed consideration of the Bill.

(ii) Section 2

Amendment 4 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*), proposed and *negatived*.

Amendment 5 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 6 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh), proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section agreed to.

(iii) Sections 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 agreed to.

(iv) Section 8

Amendment 7 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 8 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 10 (Deputy Marc O Cathasaigh), proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 11 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 13 (Rose Conway-Walsh), proposed.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 3; Níl, 6.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach, Aengus Ó Snodaigh agus Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

Níl:- An Teachta Síomón Ó hEarchaí (An tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), Na Teachtaí Pól Mac Eochaidh (i gCeannas), Ailín Ó Fearghail, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin, Pádraig Ó Súileabháin agus Marc Ó Cathasaigh.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis diúltú don Cheist – *diúltaíodh don leas*.

Tairgeadh leasú 14 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 15 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach).

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 3; Níl, 6.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach, Aengus Ó Snodaigh agus Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

Níl:- An Teachta Síomón Ó hEarchaí (An tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), Na Teachtaí Pól Mac Eochaidh (i gCeannas), Ailín Ó Fearghail, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin, Pádraig Ó Súileabháin agus Marc Ó Cathasaigh.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis diúltú don Cheist – *diúltaíodh don leas*.

Tairgeadh leasú 16 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Question put.

The Committee divided: For, 3; Against, 6

For:- Deputies Rose Conway-Walsh, Aengus Ó Snodaigh and Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

Against:- Deputy Simon Harris (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), Deputies Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Alan Farrell, Jim O'Callaghan, Pádraig O Sullivan and Marc Ó Cathasaigh.

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – *amendment negatived*.

Amendment 14 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh), proposed and negatived.

Amendment 15 (Deputy Rose Conway Walsh), proposed.

Question put.

The Committee divided: For, 3; Against, 6

For:- Deputies Rose Conway-Walsh, Aengus Ó Snodaigh and Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

Against:- Deputy Simon Harris (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), Deputies Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Alan Farrell, Jim O'Callaghan, Pádraig O Sullivan and Marc Ó Cathasaigh.

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – *amendment negatived*.

Amendment 16 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh), proposed and negatived.

Tairgeadh leasú 17 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(v) Alt 9

Tairgeadh leasú 18 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin).

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 3; Níl, 6.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach, Aengus Ó Snodaigh agus Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

Níl:- An Teachta Síomón Ó hEarchaí (An tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), Na Teachtaí Pól Mac Eochaidh (i gCeannas), Ailín Ó Fearghail, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin, Pádraig Ó Súileabháin agus Marc Ó Cathasaigh.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis diúltú don Cheist – *diúltaíodh don leas*.

Tairgeadh leasú 19 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 20 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 22 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 23 (An Teachta Aengus Ó Snodaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 17 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh), proposed and negatived.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(v) Section 9

Amendment 18 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), proposed.

Question put.

The Committee divided: For, 3; Against, 6

For:- Deputies Rose Conway-Walsh, Aengus Ó Snodaigh and Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

Against:- Deputy Simon Harris (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), Deputies Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Alan Farrell, Jim O'Callaghan, Pádraig O Sullivan and Marc Ó Cathasaigh.

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – amendment negatived

Amendment 19 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), proposed and negatived.

Amendment 20 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 22 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 23 (Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Tairgeadh leasú 24 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 25 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 26 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 27 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 28 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó

Tairgeadh leasú 29 (An Teachta Marc Ó Cathasaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 30 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 31 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 28 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 33 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 34 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Amendment 24 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 25 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 26 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 27 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 28 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 29 (Deputy Marc Ó Cathasaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 30 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and *negatived*.

Amendment 31 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 32 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 33 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 35 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 36 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 37 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 38 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 39 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(vi) Aontaíodh ailt 10, 11 agus 12.

(vii) Alt 13

Tairgeadh leasú 40 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(viii) Aontaíodh ailt 14 agus 15.

(ix) Alt 16.

Tairgeadh leasú 401 (An Teachta Aengus Ó Snodaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 34 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 35 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 36 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 37 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 38 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 39 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and negatived.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

- (vi) Section 10, 11 and 12, agreed to.
- (vii) Section 13.

Amendment 40 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, agreed to.

- (viii) Sections 14 and 15, agreed to.
- (ix) Section 16.

Tairgeadh leasú 42 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 43 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 47 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 48 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(x) Alt 17.

Tairgeadh leasú 50 (An Teachta Aengus Ó Snodaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xi) Alt 18.

Tairgeadh leasú 51 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xii) Aontaíodh alt 19

(xii) Alt 20

Tairgeadh leasú 52 (An Teachta Aengus Ó Snodaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xiii) Aontaíodh ailt 21, 22 agus 23.

Amendment 41 (Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 42 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 43 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 47 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 48 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and negatived.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(x) Section 17.

Amendment 50 (Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, agreed to.

(xi) Section 18.

Amendment 51 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and negatived.

Section, agreed to.

(xi) Section 19, agreed to.

(xii) Section 20.

Amendment 52 (Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

(xiv) Alt 24.

Tairgeadh leasú 55 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xv) Aontaíodh ailt 25 agus 26.

(xvi) Alt 27.

Tairgeadh leasú 56 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xvii) Alt 28.

Tairgeadh leasú *57 (An Teachta* Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xviii) Aontaíodh ailt 29 go 32, go huile.

(xix) Alt 33.

Tairgeadh leasú 58 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 59 (An Teachta Marc O Cathasaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 60 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Section, agreed to.

(xiii) Sections 21, 22 and 23, agreed to.

(xiv) Section 24.

Amendment 55 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xv) Sections 25 and 26, agreed to.

(xvi) Section 27.

Amendment 56 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, agreed to.

(xvii) Section 28.

Amendment 57 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, agreed to.

(xviii) Sections 29 to 32, inclusive, agreed to.

(xix) Section 33.

Amendment 58 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 59 (Deputy Marc Ó Cathasaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Tairgeadh leasú 61 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 62 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 63 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xx) Alt 34.

Tairgeadh leasú 67 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 60 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 69 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 70 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 71 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 72 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 73 (An Teachta Aengus Ó Snodaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 60 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 61 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 62 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 63 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xx) Section 34.

Amendment 67 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 68 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 69 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 70 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 71 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 72 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Tairgeadh leasú 74 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 75 (An Teachta Marc Ó Cathasaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 76 (An Teachta Aengus Ó Snodaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 77 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 78 (An Teachta Aengus Ó Snodaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 79 (An Teachta Marc Ó Cathasaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 80 (An Teachta Aengus Ó Snodaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 81 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 82 (An Teachta Aengus Ó Snodaigh), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Tairgeadh leasú 83 (An Teachta Aengus Ó Snodaigh), agus diúlaíodh dó.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

Tharla Díospóireacht.

Amendment 73 (Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 74 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 75 (Deputy Marc Ó Cathasaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 76 (Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 77 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 78 (Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 79 (Deputy Marc Ó Cathasaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 80 (Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 81 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 82 (Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh) proposed and negatived.

Amendment 83 (Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh) proposed and negatived.

Cuireadh breithniú breise ar an mBille ar athló.

8. ATHLÁ.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 08.32 p.m. go dtí 5.30 p.m. Dé Céadaoin, 27 Aibreann, 2022.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

Debate ensued

Further consideration of the Bill adjourned.

8. Adjournment.

The Committee adjourned at 08.32 p.m until 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 27 April, 2022.

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE

Dé Céadaoin, 27 Aibreann 2022 Wednesday, 27 April 2022

9. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 05.30 p.m.

10. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR⁴.

An Teachta Pól Mac Eochaidh (i gCeannas), An Teachta Síomón Ó hEarchaí (An tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), Na Teachtaí Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach, Ailín Ó Fearghail, Séamas Ó Ceallacháin, Pádraig

10. Members Present⁵.

Deputy Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Deputy Simon Harris (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), Deputies Rose Conway-Walsh, Alan Farrell, Jim O'Callaghan, Pádraig O Sullivan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin and Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire.

^{9.} The Committee met at 5.30 p.m.

⁴.Bhí an Teachta Aengus Ó Snodaigh i láthair [B.O. 106(3)].

⁵Deputy Aengus Ó Snodaigh attended [S.O. 106(3)].

Ó Súileabháin. Marc Ó Cathasaigh, Aodhán Ó Ríordáin agus Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire.

11. AN BILLE AN ÚDARÁIS UM ARD-OIDEACHAS, 2022.

D'athchrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

(xxi) Alt 31.

Tairgeadh leasú 84 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 85 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 86 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 87 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 88 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 89 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 91 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. 11. HIGHER EDUCATION AUTHORITY BILL 2022.

The Committee resumed consideration of the Bill.

(xxi) Section 35.

Amendment 84 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 85 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 86 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 87 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 88 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 89 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 91 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xxii) Alt 36.

Tairgeadh leasú 92 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xxiii) Alt 37.

Tairgeadh leasú 95 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 96 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xxiv) Alt 38.

Tairgeadh leasú 104 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 105 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 106 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 107 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xxv) Alt 39.

(xxii) Section 36.

Amendment 92 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, agreed to.

(xxiii) Section 37.

Amendment 95 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 96 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xxiv) Section 38.

Amendment 104 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 105 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 106 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 107 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, agreed to.

(xxv) Section 39.

Tairgeadh leasú 109 (An Teachta Marc Ó Cathasaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xxvi) Alt 40.

Tairgeadh leasú 109 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 110 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xxvii) Alt 41.

Tairgeadh leasú 111 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xxviii) Alt 42.

Tairgeadh leasú 112 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xxix) Alt 43.

Tairgeadh leasú 113 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 114 *(An Teachta* Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 108 (Deputy Marc Ó Cathasaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, agreed to.

(xxvi) Section 40.

Amendment 109 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 110 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xxvii) Section 41.

Amendment 111 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xxviii) Section 42.

Amendment 112 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xxix) Section 43.

Amendment 113 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 114 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Tairgeadh leasú 115 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xxx) *Aontaíodh* alt 44.

(xxxi) Alt 45.

Tairgeadh leasú 116 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 117 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xxxii) Alt 46.

Tairgeadh leasú 118 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 119 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 120 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 121 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xxxiii) Alt 47.

Tairgeadh leasú 122 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Amendment 115 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, agreed to.

(xxx) Section 44, agreed to.

(xxxi) Section 45.

Amendment 116 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 117 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xxxii) Section 46.

Amendment 118 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 119 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 120 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 121 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xxxiii) Section 47.

Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 123 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 124 (An Teachta Marc Ó Cathasaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 125 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead. Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xxxiv) Alt 48.

Tairgeadh leasú 126 (An Teachta Marc Ó Cathasaigh), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xxxv) *Aontaíodh* ailt 49 go 54, go huile.

(xxxvi) Alt 59.

Tairgeadh leasú 129 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xxxvii) *Aontaíodh* ailt 56 go 60, go huile.

(xxxviii) Alt 61.

Tairgeadh leasú 130 (Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus *aontaíodh* an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 131 *(An Teachta* Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 122 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 123 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 124 (Deputy Marc Ó Cathasaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 125 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xxxiv) Section 48.

Amendment 126 (Deputy Marc Ó Cathasaigh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, agreed to.

(xxxv) Sections 49 to 54, inclusive, agreed to.

(xxxvi) Section 59.

Amendment 129 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xxxvii) Sections 56 to 60, inclusive, agreed to

(xxxviii) Section 61.

Amendment 130 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and agreed to.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xxxix) Alt 62.

Tairgeadh leasú 132 *(An Teachta* Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 133 *(An Teachta* Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xl) *Aontaíodh* alt 63.

(xli) Alt 64.

Tairgeadh leasú 134 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 135 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 136 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 137 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 138 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xlii) Alt 65.

Amendment 131 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xxxix) Section 62.

Amendment 132 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 133 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, agreed to.

(xl) Section 63, agreed to.

(xli) Section 64.

Amendment 134 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 135 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 136 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 137 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 138 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

Tairgeadh leasú 139 *(An Teachta* Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 139a (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 140 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 141 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xliii) Alt 66.

Tairgeadh leasú 142 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Scriosadh alt 66.

(xliv) Alt 67.

Tairgeadh leasú 143 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 144 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 145 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xlv) *Aontaíodh* alt 68.

(xlii) Section 65.

Amendment 139 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 139a (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 140 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 141 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xliii) Section 66.

Amendment 142 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section 66 deleted.

(xliv) Section 67.

Amendment 143 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 144 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 145 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

(xlvi) Alt 69.

Tairgeadh leasú 146 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(xlvii) Alt 70.

Tairgeadh leasú 147 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 148 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 149 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xlviii) Aontaíodh ailt 71 go 73, go huile.

(xlix) Alt 74.

Tairgeadh leasú 150 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 18 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin).

Cuireadh an Cheist.

Rinne an Coiste vótáil: Tá, 3; Níl, 6.

Tá:- Na Teachtaí Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire agus Aodhán Ó Ríordáin.

Níl:- An Teachta Síomón Ó hEarchaí (An tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), Na Teachtaí Pól Mac Eochaidh (i Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xlv) Section 68, agreed to.

(xlvi) Section 69.

Amendment 146 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, agreed to.

(xlvii) Section 70.

Amendment 147 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 148 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 149 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xlviii) Sections 71 to 73, inclusive, agreed to.

(xlix) Section 74.

Amendment 150 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 151 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed.

Question put.

The Committee divided: For, 3; Against, 6

For:- Deputies Rose Conway-Walsh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Aodhán Ó Ríordáin. gCeannas), Ailín Ó Fearghail, Séamus Ó Ceallacháin, Pádraig Ó Súileabháin agus Marc Ó Cathasaigh.

Faisnéiseadh dá réir sin go rabhthas tar éis diúltú don Cheist – *diúltaíodh don leas*.

Tairgeadh leasú 152 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 154 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(1) Aontaíodh ailt 75 agus 76.

(lx) Alt 77.

Tairgeadh leasú 157 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 158 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 159 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(lxi) Aontaíodh ailt 78 agus 79.

Tairgeadh leasú 160 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

Against:- Deputy Simon Harris (*Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science*), Deputies Paul Kehoe (*in the Chair*), Alan Farrell, Jim O'Callaghan, Pádraig O Sullivan and Marc Ó Cathasaigh.

The Question was declared negatived accordingly – *amendment negatived*

Amendment 152 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 154 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(1) Sections 75 and 76, agreed to.

(lx) Section 77.

Amendment 157 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 158 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 159 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(lxi) Sections 78 and 79, agreed to.

Amendment 160 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and

(lxiii) Alt 80.

Tairgeadh leasú 161 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 162 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(lxiv) Aontaíodh ailt 81, 82 agus 83.

(lxv) Alt 84.

Tairgeadh leasú 163 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 164 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 165 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 166 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 167 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(lxvi) Alt 85.

Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

Section, agreed to.

(lxiii) Section 80.

Amendment 161 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 162 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(lxiv) Sections 81, 82 and 83, agreed to.

(lxv) Section 84.

Amendment 163 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 164 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 165 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 166 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 167 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Tairgeadh leasú 167a (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Tairgeadh leasú 167b (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Tairgeadh leasú 167c (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(lxvii) Alt 86.

Tairgeadh leasú 169 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(lxviii) Alt 87.

Tairgeadh leasú 172 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 173 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 174 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. Section, as amended, agreed to.

(lxvi) Section 85.

Amendment 167a (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

Amendment 167b (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

Amendment 167c (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

Section, agreed to.

(lxvii) Section 86.

Amendment 169 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(lxviii) Section 87.

Amendment 172 (Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 173 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Tairgeadh leasú 175 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 176 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 177 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 178 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 179 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 180 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(lxix) Aontaíodh alt 88.

(lxx) Alt 89.

Tairgeadh leasú 181 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(lxxi) Alt 90.

Tairgeadh leasú 182 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

Amendment 174 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 175 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 176 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 177 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 178 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 179 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 180 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(lxix) Section 88, agreed to.

(lxx) Section 89.

Amendment 181 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(lxxi) Section 90.

(lxxii) Aontaíodh alt 91.

(lxxiii) Alt 92.

Tairgeadh leasú 182a (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(lxxiv) Alt 93.

Tairgeadh leasú 182b (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Tairgeadh leasú 182c (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Tairgeadh leasú 182d (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Tairgeadh leasú 182e (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Tairgeadh leasú 182f (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Tairgeadh leasú 182g (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), Amendment 182 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(lxxii) Section 91, agreed to.

(lxxiii) Section 92.

Amendment 182a (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

Section, agreed to.

(lxxiv) Section 93.

Amendment 182b (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

Amendment 182c (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

Amendment 182d (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

Amendment 182e (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

Amendment 182f (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and

agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(lxxv) Alt 94.

Tairgeadh leasú 182h (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

(lxxvi) Aontaíodh ailt 75 agus 76.

(lxxvii) Alt 97.

Tairgeadh leasú 183 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 184 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 185 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 186 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 187 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 188 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

Amendment 182g (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

Section, agreed to.

(lxxv) Section 94.

Amendment 182h (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

Section, agreed to.

(lxxvi) Sections 95 and 96, agreed to.

(lxxvii) Section 97.

Amendment 183 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 184 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 185 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 186 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 187 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

(lxxvii) Aontaíodh alt 98.

(lxxix) Alt 99.

Tairgeadh leasú 189 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 190 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 191 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 192 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xc) Alt 100.

Tairgeadh leasú 193 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xci) Alt 101.

Tairgeadh leasú 194 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh. (xcii) Aontaíodh ailt 102 go 106, go huile.

(xciii) Alt 107.

Amendment 188 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(lxxviii) Section 98, agreed to.

(lxxix) Section 99.

Amendment 189 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 190 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 191 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 192 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xc) Section 100.

Amendment 193 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xci) Section 101.

Tairgeadh leasú 195 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xciv) Aontaíodh ailt 108 go 115, go huile.

(xcv) Alt 116.

Tairgeadh leasú 196 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 197 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 198 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 199 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xcvi) Aontaíodh ailt 117 agus 118.

(xcvii) Alt 119.

Tairgeadh leasú 199a (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(xcviii) Aontaíodh ailt 120 go 122, go huile.

(xcix) Alt 124.

Amendment 194 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, *agreed to*. (xcii) Sections 102 to 106, inclusive, *agreed to*.

(xciii) Section 107.

Amendment 195 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xciv) Sections 108 to 115, inclusive, agreed to.

(xcv) Section 116.

Amendment 196 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 197 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 198 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 199 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xcvi) Sections 117 and 118, agreed to.

(xcvii) Section 119.

Tairgeadh leasú 200 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 201 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 202 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(c) Aontaíodh alt 125.

Tairgeadh leasú 202a (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú. -cuireadh isteach an t-alt nua.

(ci) Alt 126.

Tairgeadh leasú 203 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 204 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Tairgeadh leasú 205 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú

Tairgeadh leasú 206 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Amendment 199a (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(xcviii) Sections 120 to 122, inclusive, agreed to.

(xcix) Section 124.

Amendment 200 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 201 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 202 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(c) Section 125, agreed to.

Amendment 202a (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to. – new section inserted.

(ci) Section 126.

Amendment 203 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 204 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Tairgeadh leasú 207 (An Teachta Rós Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt, mar a leasaíodh.

(cii) Alt 127.

Tairgeadh leasú 208 (An Teachta Aodhán Ó Ríordáin), agus tarraingíodh siar an leasú, faoi chead.

Aontaíodh an t-alt.

- (ciii) Aontaíodh alt 128.
- (civ) Sceideal 1.

Tairgeadh leasú 209 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Tairgeadh leasú 210 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh sceideal, mar a leasaíodh

- (cv) Aontaíodh sceideal 2, 3 agus 4.
- (cvi) Teideal

Tairgeadh leasú 214 (an tAire Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), agus aontaíodh an leasú.

Aontaíodh an teideal, mar a leasaíodh.

Amendment 205 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 206 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Amendment 207 (*Deputy Rose Conway-Walsh*) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, as amended, agreed to.

(cii) Section 127.

Amendment 208 (Deputy Aodhán Ó Ríordáin) proposed and, by leave, withdrawn.

Section, agreed to.

- (ciii) Section 128, agreed to.
- (civ) Schedule 1.

Amendment 209 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Amendment 210 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Schedule, as amended, agreed to.

- (cv) Schedules 2, 3 and 4, agreed to.
- (cvi) Title

Amendment 214 (Minister for Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), proposed and agreed to.

Title, as amended, agreed to.

12. CRÍOCHNÚ AN GHNÓ.

12. CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS.

Chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille ar 08.14 p.m.

The Committee concluded its consideration of the Bill at 8.14 p.m.

13. TEACHTAIREACHT CHUIG DÁIL ÉIREANN.

13. Message to Dáil Éireann.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille agus go raibh leasuithe déanta aige air.

Message sent to the Dáil acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Bill and had made amendments thereto.

14. Athlá.

14. Adjournment.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 08.14 p.m sine die.

The Committee adjourned at 08.14 p.m sine die.

Paul Kehoe, T.D.

Cathaoirleach

Date:27/04/2022

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE

Dé Máirt, 28 June 2022

Tuesday, 28 June 2022

- 1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 1 p.m.
- 2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR

Bhí na comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

An Teachta Pól Mac Eochaidh (i gCeannas), An Teachta Norma Ní Fhoghlú (An tAire Oideachais), na Teachtaí Donnachadh Ó Laoghaire agus Aodhán Ó Ríordáin

3. AN BILLE OIDEACHAIS (LIGEAN ISTEACH I SCOILEANNA), 2020

Chrom an Coiste ar an mBille a bhreithniú.

- (i) Aontáiodh ailt 1 agus 2.
- (ii) Aontaíodh an teideal.
- 4. CRÍOCHNÚ AN GHNÓ.

Chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille ar 1.18 p.m.

5. TEACHTAIREACHT CHUIG DÁIL ÉIREANN.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an mBille agus níl leasuithe déanta aige air

6. ATHLÁ.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 1.18 p.m. *sine die*.

- 1. The Committee met at 1 p.m.
- 2. Members Present

The following Members were present:

Deputy Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Deputy Norma Foley TD (Minister for Education), Deputies Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire and Aodhán Ó Ríordáin

3. EDUCATION (ADMISSION TO SCHOOLS) BILL 2020.

The Committee took the Bill into consideration.

- (i) Section 1 and 2, agreed to.
- (ii) Title, agreed to.
- 4. CONCLUSION OF BUSINESS.

The Committee concluded its consideration of the Bill at 1.18 p.m.

5. Message to Dáil Éireann.

Message sent to the Dáil acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Bill and had made no amendments thereto.

6. ADJOURNMENT.

The Committee adjourned at 1.18 p.m. *sine die*.

Paul Kehoe, T.D.

Cathaoirleach Date: 28 June 2022

IMEACHTAÍ AN ROGHCHOISTE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE SELECT COMMITTEE

Dé Céadaoin, 30 Samhain 2022

Wednesday, 30 November 2022

1. Chruinnigh an Coiste ar 17.34 p.m.

2. COMHALTAÍ I LÁTHAIR

Bhí na comhaltaí seo a leanas i láthair:

An Teachta Pól Mac Eochaidh (i gCeannas), An Teachta Norma Ní Fhoghlú (An tAire Oideachais), An Teachta Niall Ó Coileáin, (an tAire Stáit ag an Roinn Breisoideachais agus Ardoideachais, Taighde, Nuálaíochta agus Eolaíochta), na Teachtaí Rós. Ní Chonnmhacháin-Breathnach, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire, Pádraig Ó Súileabháin. Marc Ó Cathasaigh agus Cathal Mac Concradha.

3. Breithniú ar Mheastacháin i gComhair Seirbhísí Poiblí.

Bhreithnigh an Coiste an Meastachán (na Meastacháin) seo a leanas i gcomhair Seirbhísí Poiblí don bhliain dar críoch an 31 Nollaig, 2022 –

Vóta 26 (An Roinn Oideachais) (Meastachán Forlíontach).

Vóta 45 (Breisoideachas agus Ardoideachas, Taighde, Nuálaíocht agus Eolaíocht) (Meastachán Forlíontach)

Críochnaíodh an breithniú ar an Meastachán.

- 1. The Committee met at 17.34 p.m.
- 2. Members Present

The following Members were present:

Deputy Paul Kehoe (in the Chair), Deputy Norma Foley (Minister for Education), Deputy Niall Collins (Minister of State at the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science), Deputies Rose Conway Walsh, Donnchadh Ó Laoghaire, Pádraig Ó Sullivan, Marc Ó Cathasaigh and Cathal Crowe.

3. Consideration of Estimates for Public Services.

The Committee considered the following Estimates for Public Services for the year ending 31st December 2022 –

Vote 26 (Education) (Supplementary Estimate).

Vote 45 (Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science) (Supplementary Estimate).

Consideration of the Estimate was concluded.

Cuireadh teachtaireacht chun na Dála de réir Bhuan-Ordú 90 á chur in iúl di gur chríochnaigh an Coiste a bhreithniú ar an Meastachán.

4. ATHLÁ.

Chuaigh an Coiste ar athló ar 19.23 sine die.

Message sent to the Dáil in accordance with Standing Order 90 acquainting it that the Committee had completed its consideration of the Estimate.

4. Adjournment.

The Committee adjourned at 19.23 sine die.

Paul Kehoe, T.D. Chairman Date: 30 November 2022

Bhí an Teachta Seosaimhín Ní Mhadagáin, (an t Aire Stáit ag an Roinn Oideachais) i láthair [B.O. 106(3)]. ¹Deputy Deputy Josepha Madigan (Minister of State at the Department of Education) attended [S.O. 106(3)].



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