SCHEDULE A

REFERENDA OUTCOME(S)

(1) The results of the USI re-affiliation vote as confirmed by the electoral committee & Returning Officer:

Question
"Do you wish to affiliate to the Union of Students in Ireland, where a referendum on affiliation must be held at the end of every three years?"
"By affiliating €8 will be added to the student contribution of full-time registered students and €5 will be added to the student contribution of part-time students."

Result
Turnout - 1,451 (Quorum of 1,234)
Yes - 726
No - 725

(2) The result of the Hub Referendum vote as confirmed by the electoral committee & Returning Officer:

Question
Do you wish for there to be an extension and reduction of the current Student Centre Levy in order to fund the building of a new extension to the DCU Student Centre The Hub?

A Yes vote will reduce the levy from the current €38 to €35 and will extend the period of the levy for such a time as is necessary to repay the loan required to complete the building.
A No vote will mean the levy remains at the current €38 per annum until 2019 and there will not be a redevelopment of the DCU Student Centre The Hub at this time.

Result
The results of the Hub Financing Referendum is as follows:

Total Poll 2387
Spoilt 61
Valid 2325
YES 2139
No 187

The question carried
(3) The outcome of the DCU Students’ Union Referendum of Student Fees 2011

The question on the ballot paper read:

“Would you support third level tuition fees as a funding solution for higher education?”
“Would you support a graduate tax as a funding solution for higher education?”
“Would you support a student loan scheme as a funding solution for higher education?”
“Would you support the annual continuation of the student contribution fee if it was capped at €2,000?”

"Would you agree with a fully free higher level education system that is funded fully through the conventional taxation system?"

Polling took place on Wednesday 7/12/12 10am-9pm, Thursday 8/12/11 10am - 6pm and Friday 9/12/11 10am - 3pm.

Results:

Due to a violation of Article 9 of the DCUSU Constitution: 'Elections and Referenda' the Student Fees referendum was declared null and void.

The polling and counting were performed by PV (preferential voting) rather than PRSTV (proportional representation through the single transferable vote) which is the Students union constitutionally required voting method.

Article 9.5.1.1 states: "The counting procedures shall be in accordance with the system of proportional representation by the single transferable vote method”

(4) The outcome of the DCU Students’ Union Referendum of Labyrinth project donation

The ballot read as follows:

"Are you in favour of the Students’ Union donating €10,000 towards the Labyrinth project?

Please indicate your preference:

-Yes -No"

Polling took place on Tuesday 3/04/12 9am to 9pm and Wednesday 4/04/12 10am to 5pm.

Results
Quorum was reached
Total Poll - 2,340
Total Valid - 2,263
Quota - 1,133

Count 1:
Yes - 701
No - 1,562
Spoilt - 77

As the No vote passes the quota the Students’ Union will not donate €10,000 to the Labyrinth Project.

(5) The outcome of the DCU Students’ Union Referendum of Student Fees 2012

There were five choices for the Student Fees referendum. They were as follows;

1. Means tested Tuition Fees
2. Graduate Tax
3. Student Loan Scheme
4. Student Contribution of €3,000 (status-quo)
5. Fully free system funded by convention taxation.

Polling took place on Wednesday 22/11/2012 9am to 10pm and on Thursday 23/11/2012 9am to 5pm.

Polling and Counting was carried out by PRSTV.

Results:
Quorum: 1,125
Total Poll: 1553
Spoils: 30
Total Valid Poll: 1523
Quota: 763
COUNT 1:
Option 1: 287
Option 2: 151
Option 3: 164
Option 4: 287
Option 5: 634

As Option 2 received the least amount of votes it was eliminated.

COUNT 2:
Option 1: 311
Option 3: 211
Option 4: 319
Option 5: 659

As Option 3 was eliminated.COUNT 3:
Option 1: 384
Option 4: 383
Option 5: 707

Option 4 was eliminated and its preferences distributed.

COUNT 4:
Option 1: 561
Option 5: 853

As Option 5 passed the quota it is deemed the official policy of the students’ union.

As such DCU Students’ Union shall campaign for option 5: “Fully free system funded by convention taxation.”

(6) The outcome of the DCU Students’ Union Referendum on Reproductive Rights 1992

As per new constitution (2011 edition) stances undertaken by previous referenda are not defined.
As such on 28/11/12 Class Rep. Council passed by majority that the result of the Students’ Union referendum in 1992 on the topic of Reproductive rights and the X-case still stands. DCU Students’ Union hold the stance of an Information campaign of the topic of abortion, reproductive rights and the X-case.