

## Australian National University Law Students' Society

## **Ordinary General Meeting Agenda**

We acknowledge that this meeting is taking place on Indigenous land across Australia, and acknowledge the traditional custodians of the land on which we meet today. We pay our respects to Elders past, present, and emerging.

Date: 26/09/2022

**Time:** 7:00pm

Location: Zoom

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Meeting ID: 820 8731 7741

Password: 464498

Quorum: 20 members

Chair: Neha Kalele, (Vice-President) Administration

Present: Neha, Will, Henry, Thu, Suzie, Bita, Lachie, Diana, Alex, Katherine, Alana, Sejay,

Kara, Sarah H, Niamh, Ash, Matt, Ruby, Andries, Lora, Lilli, Isabelle

Open: 7:11pm

- 1. Acknowledgement of Country
- 1. Welcome and Open of Meeting
- 2. Standing Orders and Apologies
  - a. Amendments may be passed by ¾ majority of members voting
  - b. Further amendments to tabled amendments may be passed by simple majority of members voting (50% + 1)
  - c. No matters other than those on the agenda may be discussed
- 3. Portfolio Reports
  - 3.1. President: Henry Palmerlee

# Had more engagement than last semester

- Increased engagement with judicial officers
- Proud of all the work we've all done
- Elections will open tomorrow should receive an email

# Motion to accept President's report

Mover: Alana Seconder: Suzie

#### Passes

3.2. Vice-President (Finance): Lora Hong

Presentation of audited Accounts

Motion to accept audited Accounts

Mover: Suzie

Seconder: Henry

Passes 18/22

## 4. Constitutional Amendments

Current Wording	Proposed Amendment	Reasoning	Proposer/Seco nder (during OGM)
6.1. The Common Seal of the Society shall be kept in the	Change to:	Reflects current practice.	Mover: Henry
custody of the <u>Vice-President</u> (Administration).	shall be kept in the LSS Office within the ANU		Seconder: Alex
	Law School.		Passes 17/20
8.4 The Society may only become affiliated if the	Add:	Clarification.	Mover: Henry
Executive agrees that it would be in the best interest of its	may only become affiliated per sections 8.1		Seconder: Alana
members to do so.	to 8.3 if the Executive agrees		20/20

12.3. All persons enrolled in the ANU Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Laws (Honours), and Juris Doctor programs are Voting members of the Society.	Change to: Bachelor of Laws (Honours), Juris Doctor programs, and Master or postgraduate programs administered by the ANU College of Law are Voting members	Opening Voting membership to Masters students – makes Voting and Paid membership consistent.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Kevin 19
17.1.8	Capitalise Executive		
Add 17.1.8.1.	Add:  Where the President is not able to attend ALSA, another member of the Executive chosen at the President's discretion will attend on their behalf.	Reflects current practice.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Kara 17/ 20
to ensure there is adequate student representation on committees of the College.	Change to:  to attend, where reasonably practicable, committees of the College.	'adequate student representation' is vague and ambiguous.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Niamh 18/20
the composition of such representation shall be determined in consultation with the President.	Change to:  The Vice-President (Education) may, in consultation with the Executive, nominate other members of the Executive or Committee to attend College committees where appropriate.	Allows for the VP(Education) to nominate other members of the Executive who may be better placed to attend a particular committee.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Thu 17/20
Add 17.4.14.	Add:  To liaise with the College of Law Representatives where appropriate on matters arising within the College.	Reflects current practice – makes advocacy within the law school more collaborative.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Suzie 19/20
to organise and facilitate careers events, which must include at least one careers fair and one clerkship information evening	Remove: "one careers fair"	Reflects current practice – we haven't run a careers fair in years.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Isabelle 15/20

17.6.5.	Change to:		Mover: Henry
to take responsibility for the Events portfolio, which includes providing direction to other committee members in the portfolio	providing direction to the Events Directors;		Seconder: Suzie 17/20
Add 17.7.7.	Add:  to take responsibility for the Social Justice portfolio, which includes providing direction to the Social Justice Directors;	Making VP duties consistent.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Alana 17/20
17.7.8.	Add:  to run at least three (3) portfolio meetings during their term; and	Making VP duties consistent.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Alex 16/20
17.8.4.	Add:		
reasonably delegating tasks, work-load, and responsibilities between Competitions <u>Directors</u> and External <u>Competitions Director</u> throughout the year;	between <u>Competitions</u> <u>Directors</u> and <u>the External</u> <u>Competitions Director</u>		
Add 17.8.11	Add:  to carry out duties assigned to them by the President from time to time.	Making VP duties consistent.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Kara 17/20
Add 17.9.9.	Add:  to complete a report to form part of their handover, indicating what was achieved in the Equity portfolio in their term, and suggestions for improvement in the following term; and	Making VP duties consistent.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Lilli 18/20
Add 17.10.11.	Add: to carry out duties assigned to them by the	Making VP duties consistent.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Alana 18/20

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	President from time to time.		
18.2. Twenty-one (21) Directors and one (1) Editor-in-Chief which are duly appointed by the Executive in accordance with section 16.2.1., consisting of:	Amend to:  Twenty-three (23)  Directors	Correction.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Kara 19
18.2.1.12.	Amend to:		Mover: Henry
two (2) Social Directors;	two (2) Events Directors;		Seconder: Thu 17/20
18.2.1.14. one (1) International Students Director.	Amend to: two (2) International Students Directors.	To reflect the increased workload of the international students director.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Kevin 18
This does not apply to the Publications and IT Director if they undertake production of one of the main publications in accordance with section 19.1.3.1.	Amend to:  Section 18.4. operates with the exception of the Publications and IT Director who is to be paid such fee as agreed unanimously by the Executive, where the Director undertakes production of one of the Society's main publications in accordance with section 19.1.3.1.	Clarifying process of deciding payment.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Isabelle 16/20
18.5.1. after formal resignation from office;	Amend to: one week from the date of formal resignation from office;	Clarification.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Niamh 18/20
Add 18.5.1.1	Add:  For the purposes of section 18.5.1. formal resignation is taken to be written notice provided to the Vice President (Administration).	Clarification.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Alana 17/20

19.8	Amend to:		Mover: Henry
The duties of the <u>Social</u> Directors include:	<u>Event Directors</u>		Seconder: Thu
			18/20
Add 19.12.4.	Add:		Mover: Henry
	to encourage greater international student		Seconder: Kevin
	participation in all aspects of life as an ANU law student;		18
Add 19.12.5.	Add:		Mover: Henry
	to advocate for equal opportunity for		Seconder: Kevin
	international students as much as reasonably possible, including but not limited to considerations in clerkship and other graduate roles;		17
20.4.	Amend to:	Seven academic	Mover: Henry
The Returning Officer must	remain open for at	days is arbitrary and	Seconder: Alana
call for nominations at least two (2) weeks before the commencement of polling and nominations must remain open for at least seven (7) academic days.	least five (5) academic days.	inconvenient.	17/20
21.3.	Amend to:	Seven academic days is arbitrary	Mover: Henry
The Returning Officer must	remain open for at	and	Seconder: Alana
call for nominations at least two (2) weeks before the commencement of the appointment process and nominations must remain open for at least seven (7) academic days.	least five (5) academic days.	inconvenient.	18

Where there is no regular schedule for committee meetings, or where a committee meeting is held outside of the regular schedule, the Vice-President (Administration) shall, where possible, give five (5) academic days public notice of a Committee meeting, and five (5) academic days written notice to members of the Committee.	Amend to: where possible, give two (2) academic days public notice of a Committee meeting, and two (2) academic days written notice to members of the Committee.	Reflects current practice.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Lora 17
24.2.  The Vice-President (Administration) must give seven (7) academic days public notice of an Ordinary General Meeting in accordance with section 2.1.10.	Amend to: must give five (5) academic days	Seven academic days is arbitrary and inconvenient.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Kara 17
26.3.  The Vice-President (Administration) must give seven (7) academic days public notice for the Annual General Meeting.	Amend to: must give five (5) academic days	Seven academic days is arbitrary and inconvenient.	Mover: Henry Seconder: Alex 19

#### **Amendment re Executive Resignations – Add 18.5.1.2.**

Where a member of the Executive resigns, they must conduct a handover with the respective incoming member within 2 weeks of the new member's appointment and be reasonably available for 3 weeks after the appointment.

18.5.1.3. Where a member of the Executive resigns, the Vice President (Administration) will provide notice of the casual vacancy as soon as reasonably practicable.

18.5.1.3.1. For the purposes of 18.5.1.3. notice is taken to mean publishing of the vacancy on the Society's Facebook page.

18.5.1.3.2. Applications must remain open for a minimum of 5 academic days, after which the Executive at their next meeting, will appoint a candidate from the applications by a vote in accordance with section 16.2.1.

Proposer: Henry

Seconder: Alana

## **Add Section 10 Competitions Regulations:**

- 10. Competition Rules
  - 10.1. All competitions administered by the society shall be conducted in accordance with rules ('competitions rules').
  - 10.2. Competitions rules may only be altered by a simple majority vote at a meeting of the committee; or a two-thirds majority vote at an Executive meeting.
    - 10.2.1. For the purposes of section 10.2., 'altered' means changes to the substantive content of competitions rules and does not include typographical corrections.
  - 10.3. Competitions rules may only be altered before the relevant competition has commenced.
  - 10.4. Copies of competitions rules are to be available on request from the Vice-President (Competitions)

Proposer: Henry

Seconder: Katherine

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5. Any other business

6. Close of Meeting: 7:58pm