



**Australian National University
Law Students' Society**

Minutes for Committee Meeting

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: 7 May 2023

Time: 6:00pm

Location: Moot Court; Zoom

Present: Neha, Will C, Lachie, Alex, Cian, Will T, Bitu, Raf, Nikki, Aurelia, Carmen_Jess, Sarah W, E Wen, Brianna, Ethan, Nuha, Sarah H, Nikita, Andries, Zainab, Milli, Piper, Gina, Mia, Malika, Isabella

Absent with Apologies: Sejay, Myka, Lilli, Thu, Asya, Callum, Kai, Charli, Sam

1. Acknowledgement of Country

2. President (Neha)

Clerkship Evening tomorrow evening from 6pm

- Register for tickets if you haven't already, they are free
- No expectation to do anything but attend: food and wine provided
- If anyone can stay after, we need assistance packing up

HSF Coffee Catch-up

- After clerkship evening, talk with firms
- Lilli and I cannot attend so we need people to pack away banner and merch etc
- Flag if you can attend, or even show up at the end: message myself or Lilli

CoL tutoring question

- Sarah W: I could tutor math if necessary, will provide my details afterward

Also have received request for an Administrative Law tutor

Action: CoL enquiries and lecturers: clarify LSS role

COMPS: Need to promote ALSA in the next few days

- For context, they run big conference each year, in Sydney now
- Typically winners of Senior Comps, plus applicants for humanitarian moot as well as paper presentation competition

Shoutout Nikki for finishing Clerkship Guide

- Spent significant time putting this together, over 100 pages, firms made mistakes

3. Administration (Will C)

Common room

- Talked to Thu about reaching out for local sponsorships to cover CR amenities
- Productive meeting with Gina over CR as well as social media content planning
- Planning posters and other decorations, looking for trinkets and rugs etc
- End goal: *Housewarming* hard re-launch of the LSS Common Room next semester
 - Lawn-based event, focused on directing people toward the revamped room
 - Maybe sausage sizzle, or get some kind of coffee cart etc if available??

PARSA accessibility

- Meeting with CoL leaders run by PARSA, ANUSA involved too
- Agreement in principle but not much action, especially for LSS
- Our best contribution is student engagement and using our platform
 - Low-cost social events like study get-togethers and coffees are great here, allow students to meet and mingle - something we do that CoL or ANUSA don't

AGM reports and attendance

- Execs will all give 5-6 minute report on year so far
 - Expecting some decent details (attendance numbers, perhaps costs)
- Also will be passing budget - going to be reassessing this anyway in Winter
- Reiterating that attendance here is really key - we need quorum to pass everything and I will be following through on messaging unapologized absentees from today

4. Careers (Lilli)

Neha: All the careers workshops were really successful

Clerkship coming tomorrow - not much to say on this except to ATTEND

5. Competitions (Lachie)

Meeting with James Fisher, want to start Mooting Committee for COL with professors, VP Competitions and maybe External Competitions Directors

- Possibility for more funding and negotiation
- Likely operate similarly to CEC (re Education portfolio)

Alex and I planning for exhibition moot for Mooting 1001 (Tuesday night)

- Judge and speakers sorted, workshop at the end

- Numbers good for sign-ups and interested persons

Ben Yates offered to coach any Paper Presentation applicants

External competitions: some international signups, a few internal we've selected people for

- Some constitutional law mooting coming up
- Generally seeking more CoL funding now

Organizing semi-finals for competitions and contacting sponsors

Also sorting access with IT to respective LSS competitions emails

- Sarah W: at this point so long as we get help

FYOs: if you're not planning to do mooting, come and help with mooting S2

- Cian: also would appreciate further help for Law Ball in S2 if possible
- Will C: we should transfer FYOs from Careers to these two portfolios

6. Education (Alex)

Ethan: going to be 2 hours, in a date between end of Week 12 and start of exams

- Everyone welcome will help with exam problem questions etc
- Need **volunteers**, particularly later-year students but might be present for advice etc
- Practice Exam conditions type event for next semester now in thoughts

E Wen : Science Society organizing blood drive

- Neha: do we know how to keep track of who is winning

7. Equity (Sejay)

Nuha

Diversity in Law event coming up Monday of Week 12

8. Events (Cian)

Ball

- Theme: starry night, enchanted forest, masquerade
- Andries: Under the Sea
 - Dark Academia also possibly good theme
- Will C: can we get people to VOTE
 - What about Studio 54 or 1999/Y2K

Pub Crawl

- Didn't happen and we left it too late to promote it
- Going to try and do it next term

Camp

- Scavenger hunt only one team posted and they've won
- There's no competition anyway
- Photos export soon → Either finish tonight

9. Finance (Will T)

Presenting budget and income reports

Speaking with VPs regarding upcoming 6 month budget

About finished invoicing firms for the year - we have most of our working income

10. Social Justice (Bita)

Recorded episode and have finished edited copy

- Just have to figure out how to upload
- Will C making cover for us as well

11. Sponsorships (Thu)

Piper: Getting local stuff for Law Ball

- Haven't heard much back but we will continue reaching out
- Will C: useful if we know people who work in retail/places we might partner with as sponsors - you never know until we reach out and having people from inside is key
- Jess: I work for Connor suits, but not sure if they'd sponsor.
 - Maybe smaller and local businesses instead? Likely to get name out there and have actual positive impact from student engagement

Meeting closed: 6:51pm