

Australian National University Law Students' Society



Minutes for Committee Meeting

Date: Sunday 21 August, 2016

Time: 6:00pm

Location: LSS Common Room

Present: Julian, Rhea, Patrick, Harry, Ben, Matt, Eden, Dan, Sorin, Ellen T, Rachel, Tony, Tara, Rose, Anna, Ellen R, Dan Mc, Bryce, Ellie, Rocky, Felicity M, Max, Nic, Ashish, Kanika, Isabelle, Stephen

Absent with apologies: Lauren, Kirsty, Lucy, Olivia, Amy, Isabel, Lucy

Absent without apologies: Rosie

- **Motion to amend section 3.4 of the Election By-Laws to state that:**
‘No candidate may run on a ticket. A ticket is defined as more than one (1) candidate running under an express common name or organising co-promotion for the purposes of the election. Candidates may not make any reference to any other candidate for the purposes of the election in published material.’ The wording of this provision may be amended at the committee meeting.
 - Any other way to promote running for the LSS without tickets?

- Can approach people you know and encourage them if you think they have the right skill set
- What are other universities doing?
 - Macquarie: cannot in any way publicise yourself
 - USyd: can only run on a ticket
 - More particular to that university's environment
- More level playing field if there are no tickets
 - Many capable people didn't run because there was no room left on tickets and they felt they could not compete
 - People got pushed into roles they weren't too keen on because of gaps in tickets
- We are a functional body so no point in having tickets (political)
- Looking at polling data, people had to be on a ticket to be on the committee
- People may run a ticket just for the experience, external to the LSS
- Running on a ticket, you could read everyone's ideas and experience in one area – LSS publishes this anyway
- When elections are divided along ticket lines, it can get nasty
- Big concern has been continuity because we turnover 100% every year – more likely to get fresh faces on a ticket – push for difference does not help continuity
- ANUSA had an expression of interest form – was it meritorious this year?
 - Weren't as utilised as they should have been
 - Popular people get shoulder tapped anyway
- If shoulder tapping, you will try to put people in positions to fill a ticket
- Another issue with tickets becomes a competition about marketing

- With tickets, you get a lot of votes because you'll vote for people on your ticket
- If we shut tickets down, it turns to how well you can promote yourself
 - People can borrow LSS resources, e.g. DSLR camera
- Motion passes with 28 for | 3 against | 2 abstentions
- **President's Report**
 - I will spearhead an event for committee bonding
- **Admin Report**
 - Provisional date for the AGM is Wednesday 28 September
- **Finance Report**
 - Next committee meeting – would like to have another look at merchandise – if people want to make some mock ups
 - Do we want to use the same design again? Or flip the colour?
 - Budget
- **Education Report**
 - Need your help to fill out the electives guide survey and encourage other people – there will be cash incentives
 - Dan and I will be getting onto the CoL on the pre-exam database
 - Unless they agree on adequate resources in place, it will stay the same
 - 'Law in the Digital Age' event coming up
 - Developing our consultation plans which centres on assessment
- **Competitions Report**
 - AAT lost in their second round
 - Castan Human Rights is coming up next week – practice moot on Monday
 - Kirby just did a practice moot
 - Gibbs is being managed by Dan
 - Women's Moot is coming up in September

- **Careers Report**
 - Non-clerkship event coming up
- **Social-Justice Report**
 - Cambodia is underway
 - Peppercorn is happening on 31st for fundraising
 - Have Women in Law Breakfast on 1 September – only \$10 with great speakers
 - Tickets will come out tomorrow at 5pm through QPay
- **Events Report**
 - Get around lunchtime soccer – needs to be better publicised
 - People can turn up randomly at 12pm on Tuesdays at Willows
- **JD Report**
 - JD Event was really good – had very good feedback
- **Peppercorn Report**
 - Collaborating with SJ
 - Bake sale with coffee
 - Launch will happen on 31st
 - Submissions are due on 25th August
 - Candidates for law reps for ANUSA will be posted on Peppercorn
 - Send a message to Jane at Services Officer to use the Law Lawns
- **Wellbeing Report**
 - Breakfast style event with a panel and another event with a pug
- **Any other business**
 - First Year Event went really well – congratulations guys!