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**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: 26 February 2023**

**Time: 6:07pm**

**Location: ANU Law Moot Courts**

**Present: Neha, Will C, Lilli, Lachie, Alex, Sejay, Cian, Will T, Bitu, Thu, Aurelia, Raf, Gypsy, Charli, Jess, Sam, Ethan, E Wen, Asya, Sarah, Nikita, Andries, Milli, Piper**

**Absent with Apologies: Kai, Carmen, Brianna, Myka, Callum**

**1. Acknowledgement of Country**

**2. President (Neha)**

- Meetings on odd weeks, 6pm at Moot Court
- Marketing and Comms CoL
  - Looking for EOIs re assistance with high-school experience facilitation

**3. Administration (Will C)**

- Spreadsheet masterdoc & Publicity task input
  - Regular and early updating will enable more comprehensive and creative marketing → More lead time for graphic-creation and tactical planning
  - Publicity input with relevant details will mean less back and forth over Messenger for Aurelia; it will also ensure *all* necessary information is provided
- Access to College of Law
  - Currently still negotiating access with the Services team → Only got Moot Court today because of prior event

- Dean has no problem letting us come after hours, just waiting for our card permissions to be changed → Noting only select Exec will likely have access (probably Neha, Will, Lilli and Cian at minimum)
- On this note, shirts not available to collect as we couldn't access the CR
  - Will be available next committee meeting
  - Also reiterating that any typos should be flagged with me so we can make a sole, bulk request to ROJO to fix all mistakes
- First Year Officer elections
  - Currently waiting for data request to be actioned by CoL
  - Following up this coming week if they do not get back
  - Planned with ample deadlines to accommodate for potential delays

#### 4. Careers (Lilli)

- Big start for the year: publication of Careers Guide
  - Unsure about diversity of contributors in past BUT this year we've managed to tap into a range of areas of law
  - Emphasising multitude of pathways → Not just 'traditional' clerkship paths
  - Liaising with firms re this Guide
  - Publication of guides
- Debuting at the CoL Careers Fair: **looking for volunteers**
  - Making sure we have a presence, focusing on promoting FB etc
- Firm visits
  - SparkeHelmore Canberra offices, open to 2nd years and above
  - Also organizing Sydney visits at the moment
- Clerkship Evening
  - 8th May, important to calendar now
  - Arranging with venues (as well as firms)

#### 5. Competitions (Lachie)

- Going to get busier around Week 3-4
  - Currently working with internal comps and organising directors
  - IT now given access to emails but we can't send from addresses yet
  - Not much to note on External comps at the moment
- Team going to Oxford for IP Moot
  - Funding has been secured for them
  - In exchange they will run **exhibition moot**

#### 6. Education (Alex)

- Working on First Year Guide
  - Handed out at Market Day at our stall
  - Outlining practical things like signing up to particular classes and other admin focuses
  - Shoutout to Nikki again for her work in publications
  - All guides were handed out
- LAWS 1001 & JD Welcome Event
  - Panels were very cool, great speakers and good turnout

#### 7. Equity (Sejay)

- Disability Officer from ALSA reached out
  - ANU was one of two law societies without a Disability portfolio
  - Liaised with student, raised issues at CoL
- Diversity in Law event
  - $\frac{3}{4}$  minority professionals to speak on experiences
  - **Encouraging people to forward professionals they may know**
- International Students Mentorship program
  - We have more mentors than mentees
  - Still advertising, trying to reach out to FY international students
  - Contacting CoL people and professors

## 8. Events (Cian)

- Kudos to directors
- LLB Welcome Event at Badger
  - Sold out, great turnout
- JD Welcome Event
  - Successful, used all of tab, great social opportunity
- First Year Law Camp
  - Limited communication from Birrigai, possible change of management
  - Currently looking like Jindabyne
  - Ironing out contract issues
  - In the next few days we will be publicizing this more
  - Now in Week 7 after midsemester exams
- Attempted to arrange first years pizza event but this fell through → Now pushed back
  - Contemplating capacity for a **pub crawl** event instead of this

## 9. Finance (Will T)

- Mostly work behind the scenes
  - Communicating with VPs regarding budgets etc
  - Working with Thu re sponsorship payments and plans

## 10. Social Justice (Bita)

- Social Justice Mentoring
  - Stressing about number of nominations, encouraging committee to apply
  - We've had 3 signups but we have 9 mentors at the moment
  - Anyone from 2nd year and above - this is the only criteria
  - Booked Moot Court for 10th and already planned catering
    - Don't want to push back booked times
- Women In Law
  - Signups are looking good, 20+ currently
  - Waiting for Clifford Chance to confirm their speaker for the event
  - Looking for ways to promote further
    - Will need to create proper Facebook event → Should be standard practice, as the 'discussion' allows us to more directly access those who are already interested but not yet registered

## 11. Sponsorships (Thu)

- Finalising sponsorship agreements with firms
  - Planning to reach out to VPs regarding upcoming events and sponsor allocations
  - You may refer to the Prospectus for our arrangements: naming rights, attendance, guest speakers, event materials

## 12. Discussion

Andries:

- Re JD events: Feedback that marketing was not visible enough → Lost in FB feeds

Lachie:

- ANU Competitions page → Keen to connect with but don't know how to get in contact with them → Making sure we can directly reach out, avoid flooding among other posts
  - WC re: we should do this but ensure sponsors are still getting the promo they pay for regarding our main FB page and the engagement we leverage on there

Gypsy:

- Regular newsletter? May be one way of centralizing our marketing and diversifying our community outreach

Alex:

- Bulletin board as a possible means of outreach? Might position somewhere with high foot traffic in the law school - somewhere near first year tutorials etc?

Sam:

- Noting events getting lost in algorithm, appearing after they were held

Will C (re above):

- Many notes concerning alternative means of publicity are all super true and useful
  - Once we implement more comprehensive internal admin (masterdoc and publicity input/tracker) then we can put this information together with ease
  - Will facilitate marketing beyond current relatively ad-hoc FB posts etc

Meeting closed: 6:49pm