



**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: 27 August 2023

Time: 5:30pm

Location: ANU Moot Courts

Present: Neha, Will C, Lachie, Alex, Sejay, Cian, Will T, Bitu, Thu, Nikki, Carmen, Raf, Sam, E Wen, Ethan T, Sarah H, Nikita, Andries, Piper, Malika

Absent with Apologies: Callum, Myka, Gina

1. Acknowledgement of Country

2. President (Neha)

Leo Cussen

- Intl students, will message directors first
- How to get admitted; next steps after grad
 - Obv trying to push plt but lots of good resources

3. Administration (Will C)

4. Careers (Lilli)

Ideas to float, though overall chill semester

- Lilli unsure if she has capacity to run more events

- Talk about public law and social justice careers; opening up to committee and we can try and fill gaps; happy to give directors opportunities to work on anything they propose
- Need to talk with Bitia about SJ careers panel:
 - Bitia: we have all speakers lined up, just need to finalise dates
- Would be great for end of year celebration for work
 - People who contributed to publications, judges, podcast stuff
 - Like an 'LSS thanks you' thing, even if more informal and low budget
 - Opportunities to network with legal professionals important
- Careers noticeboard also possible
 - Even if just links to registers, submission, HR links etc
 - Prospectus - or does website not get enough traction?

5. Competitions (Lachie)

Making new mooting inbox

- Helping with Sarah workload, getting set up and then FYOs and us will run
 - Responding to stuff: corresponding with judges, answering participants questions, collecting scoresheets and putting in Excel
 - **Add another Mooting director in constitution**
- Instead of setting up another inbox, should we get access to existing?
 - Just doing Gmail as a tourniquet; will do long term solution later

Check-in with present Competitions directors regarding first rounds

- Sam Client interview: big makeup round;
- Kai external comps: busy, lots happening,
 - UTS last week
 - Another UTS this weekend
 - ANU is coming up
 - Also Gibbism Kirby, baker, Enviro
 - Signups for SULLS client interview
 - Relief that they're running now, just making sure teams are fine to compete

6. Education (Alex)

Will probably do in person study exam preparation in Week 8

- Mid-semesters are mostly online so focusing on preparation for final exams

7. Equity (Sejay)

MHFA training

- Around 15 people showed up

Planning autonomous lunches with diverse people

International Students directors

- Organizational issues in terms of mentor program, lots more mentor applications and not enough mentees
- They have been good about recruiting and getting people on

8. Events (Cian)

Ball went well and happy to take feedback

- Also bathroom wall issue as Will T raised; hard as we were already testing budget and now we have more spending

Trying to get Peppercorn Pub Crawl up for next term

Also before exams, likely walk and pizza event

Cube afters

- Some feedback, left a bit to be desired
- Could have signposted bus locations, where they were going and when they were leaving
- Bar tab was paid for \$1000, but when we arrived they were confused etc
 - It seems there was no tab, so if they debt us we will not pay

9. Finance (Will T)

Finishing law ball invoices, refunds on which we will be fairly generous

One issue: someone broke a bathroom cubicle door

- Received quote for this, around \$2000, assuming Arboretum has set terms in terms of handyman

10. Social Justice (Bita)

General advice regarding food, just order cheap Woolies platters

Kirby event

- Good questions asked, he was an engaging speaker

Queer panel

- Turnout was not great, but likely due to 2 queer events in one week; date had been set for panel and we couldn't rearrange Kirby accommodation etc
- Also holding the event at 5pm was probably not the most helpful for attendance

11. Sponsorships (Thu)

Not much to report

Meeting closed: