



SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INC.  
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Minutes of Executive Meeting held on **29/08/2022**

Chair: Ben Hines

Minute taker: Eden McSheffrey

Meeting opened: **9:08pm**

**Present:**

Ben Hines	President
Irene Ma	Vice President (Education)
Thrishank Chintamaneni	Vice President (Careers)
Naz Sharifi	Vice President (Social Justice)
Julia Tran	Treasurer
Eden McSheffrey	Secretary
Kelly Ma	Sponsorship Director
Harriet Walker	Competitions Director
Maja Vasic	Competitions Director
Grace Wong	Socials Director
Vivienne Davies	Socials Director
Onor Nottle	Campus Director
Adam Schaffer	Sports Director
Ariana Haghighi	Publications Director
Michelle Chim	International Student Officer
Yijun Cui	Equity Officer
Grace Wallman	Disabilities Officer
Elizabeth Nutting	Women's Officer
Nishta Gupta	Ethnocultural Officer
Julia Lim	Marketing Director
Justine Hu	Design Director

**Absent:** Edward Ford

**Apologies:**

**Late:**

**Early Departures:**

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## **MINUTES**

### **1 Welcome and Apologies**

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting and delivered an Acknowledgement of Country.

No conflicts of interest were declared at the outset of the meeting.

### **2 Procedural matters**

**Motion:** That the public minutes from the Executive Meeting held 22 August 2022 be approved as a correct and accurate record of the meeting.

Moved: Thrishank Chintamaneni

Seconded: Ariana Haghighi

The motion was carried unanimously.

**Motion:** That the in camera minutes from the Executive Meeting held 22 August 2022 be approved as a correct and accurate record of the meeting and that the content of those minutes remains in camera.

Moved: Julia Lim

Seconded: Adam Schaffer

The motion was carried unanimously.

### **3 Last week updates/shoutouts**

- Irene shouted out Harriet, Edward, Eden and Ben for either recommending someone for Subject Survival Nights or volunteering their own time to speak. She also shouted out Michelle, Vivienne, and Grace Wa. for attending SSCF and for offering their valuable perspectives. Irene shouted out Professor Barbara McDonald who encouraged her first year torts class to submit feedback on the hardcopy reading guides.
- Maja shouted out Harriet because she has been there to take all the comps meetings and has helped with the portfolio during a busy period. Harriet shouted Maja back for all of her work.
- Adam shouted out Elizabeth and Ariana for Law Revue.
- Thrishank shouted out Grace and Vivienne for selling out the first release of Law Ball tickets this morning and dealing with all of the hectic messaging. Ben echoed this and also shouted out Julia Lim and Justine for their work on this too.

### **4 What's on this week**

- a. **Mon:**
- b. **Tues:**
- c. **Wed:** Interfaculty Tennis/Badminton
- d. **Thurs:** Alumni Speaker Series
- e. **Fri:**
- f. **Mon:**



**5 Portfolio updates**

Adam discussed the intervarsity sports day Macquarie held yesterday and noted that SULS was undefeated.

Ariana did a callout for final years or JD3s to direct them towards Blackacre editing.

**6 SSC Committee Appointment**

Ben received an email from Peter Finneran this week informing us that a position is vacant for the indigenous services and strategies committee and we are able to nominate an undergraduate to fill this position. Ben asked the Executive for input.

**7 Curriculum Review**

Ben mentioned that the Law School is conducting a curriculum review and SULS has been asked to participate. He asked the Executive for interest.

**8 Hard Copy Reading Guidelines**

Irene noted the Faculty Executive made a decision to stop providing hard copies of reading guides. She noted that Prof McDonald is very passionate about this and took an active advocacy role on this issue to ensure these are continued to be provided to students. Irene noted this was an action undertaken by the Board despite also a large number of academic support for the guides. Irene noted the policy is not finally decided and there is mixed messages from the faculty about the issue.

She noted that, following the meeting with Prof McDonald, to effectively advocate in this area we want data from students and will distribute a survey. Irene thanked Grace Wa, Michelle and Edward for their help with this. Irene noted that she would like to use this instance along with PASS as examples to encourage more faculty engagement with students before making important decisions.

**9 Student Staff Coffee Catch-up**

Irene discussed an upcoming Student Staff Coffee Catch-up event which will feature trivia at a lunch on the 22nd of September. Irene also asked for support on making questions for the trivia.

**10 SSCF Update**

Irene gave an update about the SSCF meeting. At the meeting the Dean mentioned he had done consultation and research including consulting with SULS, to which Irene noted that as VP Education she had no idea about this. Irene also talked to Prof McDonald about this and got her support regarding continuing to advocate with the faculty about PASS.

**11 Electoral Officer / Arbiter Appointment + Candidate Info Evening**

Ben noted the Executive passed a motion earlier in the week to appoint Jacob Lerner as the 2022 Electoral Officer and Dr Fady Aoun as the 2022 Electoral Legal Arbiter.

Ben also discussed the Candidate Information Evening next Monday (5 September) at 6:10pm - noting that each Executive has to attend and give a two minute description of our roles.



**12 Law Ball**

Vivienne discussed Law Ball and noted that the first round of tickets sold out today. She asked the Executive for their support setting up the event, for volunteering as Safety Officers, and to vote on proposed expenditure items.

Ben asked about releasing individual tickets and Grace replied that this was something they could look into. There was a discussion about photography + DJ line items and presenting options.

**13 Law Ball Equity Tickets**

Yijun raised the fact that law ball tickets are more expensive this year and noted that Equity Grants have a \$100 limit. She noted that the Equity Officer has discretion to exceed this amount per Bylaw s 43 and asked the Executive about what they thought a reasonable amount to exceed the sum was here. She noted there is plenty of budget in this regard.

Eden said that given we have the financial capacity we shouldn't be afraid of exercising that discretion to give a reimbursement in full, noting this was typically the norm in the Equity Portfolio for non-textbook financial grants last year. Eden suggested that Yijun should feel free to exercise her discretion and reimburse as much as she saw fit based on the merits of each individual case.

**14 Office Hours**

Eden reminded everyone about office hours obligations as we approach reading weeks.

**15 Other business**

None was raised.

Meeting closed: **10:06pm.**