



**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE
SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED**

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20 April 2022 6:30PM ON ZOOM

Minutes of Annual General Meeting Meeting held on **20/04/2022**

Chair: Ben Hines

Minute taker: Eden McSheffrey

Meeting opened: 6:36pm

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
Harriet Walker	Competitions Director
Maja Vasic	Competitions Director
Grace Wong	Socials 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
Edward Ford	Queer Officer
Nishta Gupta	Ethnocultural Officer
Ben McGrory	First Nations Officer
Julia Lim	Marketing Director



Justine Hu	Design Director
Wendy Hu	Immediate Past President
Alison Chen	Immediate Past Secretary
Samuel Dunn	Member
Miesha Binta Noor	Member
Evangelina Cheung	Member
Sunanda Mohan	Member
Bill Chen	Member
Esha Gupta	Member
Robert James	Member

Late:

Ariana Haghighi (6:43pm) Publications Director

Absent:

Kelly Ma Sponsorship Director

Apologies:

Vivienne Davies	Socials Director
Onor Nottle	Campus Director
Harriet Walker (<i>for early departure</i>)	Competitions Director
Elizabeth Nutting (<i>for early departure</i>)	Womens Officer
Tiana Dumanovsky	Immediate Past Treasurer

Early Departures:

Harriet Walker (7:02pm, with apologies)	Competitions Director
Ariana Haghighi (6:48pm)	Publications Director
Elizabeth Nutting (7:22pm, with apologies)	Womens Officer
Wendy Hu (6:55pm)	Immediate Past President
Samuel Dunn (7:33pm)	Member
Robert James (6:42pm)	Member
Esha Gupta (7:27pm)	Member



MINUTES

1 Opening and acknowledgement of country

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

2 Apologies and leaves of absence

Apologies were received from Tiana Dumanovsky, Onor Nottle, Vivienne Davies for the full meeting, and Elizabeth Nutting and Harriet Walker for leaving the meeting early.

Motion: That the apologies be accepted and a leave of absence granted for those members.

Moved: Irene Ma

Seconded: Naz Sharifi

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.

Eden noted that four executive members, Vivienne Davies, Onor Nottle, Harriet Walker and Elizabeth Nutting have submitted to the Chair compliant and signed proxy forms, and that those members, if present, were unable to vote unless their proxy was withdrawn.

- Vivienne Davies and Onor Nottle appointed Grace Wallman as their proxy.
- Harriet Walker appointed Maja Vasic as her proxy.
- Elizabeth Nutting appointed Edward Ford as her proxy.

3 Minutes of the previous meeting

The minutes of the previous meeting (Special General Meeting, 10 November 2021) were made available [online](#) on the Society's website after the previous meeting.

Motion: That the minutes from the Special General Meeting held 10 November 2021 be accepted as a true and accurate record of the meeting.

Moved: Irene Ma

Seconded: Eden McSheffrey

The motion was carried with six abstentions.

4 Business arising from the minutes

Notice of the following motions about business arising from previous meeting's minutes were distributed to the members in the *Motions on Notice* document (**Appendix A**).

a. Amend motion from 2021 Special General Meeting

Ben H explained that there were motions arising from the minutes of past meetings which needed to be addressed at the outset. The first motion, from the Special General Meeting held in 2021, stipulated that the executive:

in conducting its formal review of the Electoral Regulations in 2022 pursuant to cl 75 of the Constitution, shall submit an amendment to the Electoral Regulations to the General



Meeting that proposes to 'repeal and replace (to the extent appropriate) the Electoral Regulations for the purpose of simplifying the provisions of the Regulations, provided that that amendment must not make substantive changes to the Electoral Regulations. However, nothing in this motion prevents the Executive from proposing substantive changes to the Electoral Regulations in a separate amendment or amendments.

Motion: That the motion be amended to remove 'provided that that amendment must not make substantive changes to the Electoral Regulations' and that the changes to the electoral process proposed during this meeting satisfy this motion.

Moved: Ben Hines

Seconded: Naz Sharifi

The motion was carried with six abstentions.

b. Review Process Extensions

Ben H explained that several motions directing the executive to undertake reviews were passed across two of last year's general meetings. It was noted due to capacity constraints that these reviews were not able to occur prior to the 2022 AGM, however that the executive was committed to undertaking these reviews but sought to extend the deadline to the 2022 SGM.

The motions are to read as follows:

- (1) **That the Annual General Meeting directs the Executive, before the Special General Meeting in 2022, to:**
 - (a) Conduct a comprehensive review of Part 8 of the Constitution and Codes of Conduct;
 - (b) Consider relationship (if any) of the above provisions with the Electoral Regulations) and the role of members of Executive and other persons in resolving disputes, managing misconduct and disciplining of members; and
 - (c) Propose any amendments to the Constitution, along with any amendments to the By-laws, to the General Meeting.

- (2) **That the Annual General Meeting directs the Executive, before the Special General Meeting in 2022, to:**
 - (a) Conduct a review of the Standing Orders to modernise and streamline the conduct of Society meetings;
 - (b) Consult with past members of the Executive and the membership, in particular about the conduct of General Meetings; and
 - (c) Propose any amendments to the General Meeting.

- (3) **That the Annual General Meeting directs the Executive, before the Special General Meeting in 2022, to:**
 - (a) Conduct a review the appointments process of appointed members of the Executive, including the impact on the Society and the portfolio if an appointed position is unfilled;
 - (b) Consult with former members of the Executive and members of the Society; and



(c) Propose any amendments for the consideration of the General Meeting.

(4) **That the Annual General Meeting directs the Executive, before the Special General Meeting in 2022, to:**

- (a) Conduct a review of the duties of the Equity Officer in cl 21 of the Constitution particularly sub-cl(e);
- (b) Consult with members of the equity and autonomous communities; and
- (c) Propose any amendments for the consideration of the General Meeting

Motion: That the relevant motions directing the executive to undertake reviews be extended to the 2022 Special General Meeting.

Moved: Eden McSheffrey

Seconded: Thrishank Chintamaneni

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.

5 Annual Reports of the President, Secretary and Treasurer

a. Past President's Report - Wendy Hu

Wendy Hu delivered her past President's Report (**Appendix B**).

Motion: To accept Wendy Hu's past President's report.

Moved: Ben Hines

Seconded: Irene Ma

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.

b. Past Secretary's Report - Alison Chen

Alison Chen delivered her Past Secretary's Report (**Appendix C**).

Motion: To accept Alison Chen's past Secretary's report.

Moved: Eden McSheffrey

Seconded: Nishta Gupta

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.

c. Past Treasurer's Report - Tiana Dumanovsky

In Tiana's absence, her report was distributed to the meeting.

Motion: To accept Tiana Dumanovsky's past Treasurer report (**Appendix D**).

Moved: Yijun Cui

Seconded: Naz Sharifi

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.

d. Current Treasurer's Report - Julia Tran

Julia T noted that a myriad of new initiatives were being launched in 2022. She outlined her functions as treasurer and her discretionary role in allocating funding to the portfolios to ensure that the Society meets its charitable obligations. She noted her undertaking to ensure all portfolios are appropriately funded and her intention to check in with each portfolio at the end of



semester one. Julia then distributed the operating budget to the executive and outlined a strong performance and profit of over \$28,000.

The 2021 Audited Financial Report for the year ended 31 December 2021 was distributed to the meeting.

Motion: to accept Julia Tran's current Treasurer report and SULLS Operating Budget (**Appendix E**) and the audited financials from 2021 (**Appendix F**).

Moved: Michelle Chim

Seconded: Naz Sharifi

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.

6 Motions on notice

a. Standing order clarification

Ben H explained that the standing orders ought to be clarified so as to avoid previous confusion about whether a mover and seconder was required for discussion on a motion to commence. The proposed change to the Standing Orders is to add '*For the avoidance of doubt, this does not require a mover and seconder for the discussion to commence, but rather for the substantive motion itself.*' to the end of cl 24.

Motion: to amend Standing Order 24 in Appendix 2 of the Constitution.

Moved: Ben Hines

Seconded: Eden McSheffrey

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.

b. Online proxy allocation clarification

Ben H noted there was an error with the motion on notice and that the motion should read as follows: 'For the avoidance of doubt, if accepted as a mode of delivery ~~the Chair~~ an electronic document satisfying the other substantive requirements of this clause shall suffice.'

Motion: that the words 'the chair' in the proposed motion be removed.

Moved: Ben Hines

Seconded: Naz Sharifi

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.

Ben H noted that the rationale behind the motion was to add flexibility in relation to online proxy allocation as more SULLS meetings are held online. The change would add 'For the avoidance of doubt, if accepted as a mode of delivery an electronic document satisfying the other substantive requirements of this clause shall suffice.' to the end of standing order 51.

Motion: to amend Standing Order 51 in Appendix 2 of the Constitution.

Moved: Ben Hines

Seconded: Nishta Gupta

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.



c. Updating the definition of 'autonomous'

Ben H noted that in light of new autonomy requirements for the International Student Officer and Equity Officer roles, the definition of autonomous in the Constitution needs to be amended to include these positions. The motion also included the removal of an unnecessary 'and' within the definition clause.

Motion: to amend clause 2 of the Constitution to remove the erroneous 'and', and include the International Student Officer and Equity Officer positions in the definition of autonomous.

Moved: Ben Hines

Seconded: Naz Sharifi

The motion was carried with one abstention.

d. Executive number rectification

Ben H noted this motion was to reflect the addition of the Disabilities Officer as an appointed executive position. The proposed change is to replace 'seven' with 'eight' in clause 5 of the Constitution.

Motion: to amend clause 5 of the Constitution to replace 'seven' with 'eight'.

Moved: Ben Hines

Seconded: Irene Ma

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.

e. Handover session requirement

Ben H explained that this change was to ensure that members of the outgoing executive organise a formal handover session with the executive-elect. The change would add a new clause 27A to the constitution, specifying that 'The members of the outgoing Executive shall, to the best of their ability, attempt to organise a formal handover session or sessions with the corresponding member of the Executive-elect before the Executive-elect take office'.

Alison noted that Part 11 of the SULLS Bylaws already contains clauses relating to handover and how that should occur. She asked whether these provisions have been considered. Ben replied that they had been considered, and that those provisions require that the President oversees the process more generally. He noted this motion focuses more on ensuring individual handovers occur and clarifies the bylaw provisions in this respect.

Motion: to amend the Constitution inserting clause 27A.

Moved: Ben Hines

Seconded: Naz Sharifi

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.

f. Dismissal mechanism rectification

Ben H explained that there was an error in the constitution in relation to clauses 31 and 32. He noted that the provision for dismissing elected members at a General Meeting in cl 31 was in the same terms as the appointment provision in cl 32. The proposed change would amend 31(a) to replace 'elect' with 'dismiss', fix the relevant wording of the clause accordingly, and remove 31(b).



Motion: to amend clause 31 of the Constitution.

Moved: Ben Hines

Seconded: Nishta Gupta

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.

g. Sponsorship Funding Allocation Motion

Ben M said that he would like to withdraw this motion, and he thinks that it would be best implemented in the Bylaws to support the implementation of a long term strategy with the autonomous portfolios. He wanted it noted that the Executive should implement this in the bylaws and that discussion would be substantively dealt with in executive meetings. Ben H encouraged members to submit thoughts on the motion for further consideration in executive meetings.

h. Executive preliminary approval of SULLS Budget

Ben H emphasised that scrutiny was important in relation to the SULLS budget and that by the time it is approved at the AGM, SULLS has already been operating for a number of weeks and spending money. This proposed change would see the executive approve a preliminary budget via a regular motion, which would not be binding but has utility in ensuring the executive scrutinises the budget prior to the AGM.

The proposed change would be in the following terms:

57A.

- a. *Prior to the commencement of the first semester of the calendar year, the members of the Executive shall endeavour to approve a preliminary version of the annual budget.*
- b. *This preliminary approval shall be deemed as approval for the purposes of clause 59(c).*
- c. *This preliminary budget may be changed at the discretion of the Treasurer with the approval of the Executive before formal presentation of the Annual Budget at the Annual General Meeting.*

Motion: to amend the Constitution inserting clause 57A.

Moved: Ben Hines

Seconded: Nishta Gupta

The motion was carried with zero abstentions.

i. Electoral Regulations Review

Ben H as Chair noted that in her absence, he permitted Wendy's submitted thoughts on the motion to be read to the meeting. Eden read out Wendy's thoughts on the proposed changes to the electoral regulations, which were in the following terms:

I am disappointed to see Motion 9 as it reverses much of the changes agreed to at the last SULLS SGM. My disappointment is mainly for two reasons:

First, I disagree that the electoral changes are 'unnecessarily convoluted' and will 'provide much more administrative work than any prospective Electoral Officer is likely to



wish to take on'. All the electoral changes made, and that many of the current Executive voted in favour of, were explained with detailed rationale in the last GM. The Constitutional Reform Committee that oversaw these changes also comprised Casper Lu, who served as the 2021 electoral officer and would have been best placed to advise on whether the new system would be too much administrative work.

Second, and more importantly, I am saddened by the lack of comprehensive consultation with the student body on this motion. The Constitutional Reform Committee 2021 which I oversaw devoted many weeks to consulting with students, seeking feedback on proposed amendments and undergoing extensive deliberation. I can see no evidence of such efforts here. I would think the biennial formal review of the Electoral Regulations, which is mandated by clause 75 of the Constitution and involves students from outside of the SULLS Executive, would be a more appropriate place to raise this proposed change.

Ben H wished to respond to a few points raised. At the outset, he noted that one thing being kept in this change is that expressions of interest (EOIs) are available to all positions. He explained that last years amendments added in multiple rounds of EOIs which each time involved updating a register and emailing students. He noted that this multilayered system, particularly for non-initiated students who may not be aware of how the SULLS Executive works, makes the process more of a barrier to participation given its complexity. He emphasised that he really appreciates the intent of these reforms and their goal to increase participation amongst the broader student body, and that the current Executive is committed to this as well. He thought the two-tiered system in place prior to these changes worked and that there is more of a structural barrier where people may not be aware of the EOI system more generally or may feel uncomfortable participating. He noted the online EOI register was not a bad idea but that it did not need to be constitutionally mandated.

Ben went on to note that the consultation which occurred in relation to these motions in the first place were done by the Constitutional Reform Committee last year, which was a small group of five people particularly involved with SULLS. He thought that this did not necessarily reflect the breadth of experience of our members and noted that he had conducted consultation with Casper Lu and other members of the student body prior to suggesting them. He emphasised that consultation had occurred and that the overwhelming thought was that the changes were not understood and there was uncertainty as to why they were made. He also apologised that the consultation was not widely publicised in this respect. Ultimately he thought that this motion was in the interests of accessibility and the Society.

Grace Wa. asked Ben to elaborate on specifically how he thought these changes would make the process more accessible for potential future members of the executive.

Ben H replied that the amendment itself undoes a lot of the creative barriers that the past electoral changes made – noting that the continued rounds cause confusion which in practice operates as a barrier to accessibility. He said that he appreciates her point about issues with being comfortable participating in the Society, but that change in that respect likely cannot be done through the Constitution. He said that we will continue to conduct electoral reviews later this



semester and that overall by undoing these changes, we are able to start from the right platform to implement further accessibility reform.

Motion: to amend the Electoral Regulations within the Constitution, as specified in the Motions on Notice document (**appendix A**).

Moved: Ben Hines

Seconded: Naz Sharifi

The motion was carried with six abstentions.

7 General Business

No general business was raised.

Meeting closed: **7:43pm**.



APPENDIX A - MOTIONS ON NOTICE

NOTE: Amendments to motions made at the General Meeting are indicated in red below.

General Motions

1. Amend motion from 2021 Special General Meeting

Background/Rationale

In the 2021 Special General Meeting, a motion was passed stipulating that the executive:

*in conducting its formal review of the Electoral Regulations in 2022 pursuant to cl 75 of the Constitution, shall submit an amendment to the Electoral Regulations to the General Meeting that proposes to 'repeal and replace (to the extent appropriate) the Electoral Regulations for the purpose of simplifying the provisions of the Regulations, **provided that that amendment must not make substantive changes to the Electoral Regulations.** However, nothing in this motion prevents the Executive from proposing substantive changes to the Electoral Regulations in a separate amendment or amendments.*

This caveat unduly limits the capacity of the new Executive from performing a proper review of the Electoral Regulations, and given the sentence that followed had the potential to be largely ineffective. Given the Executive proposes changes that impact the provisions, the meeting is asked to confirm that such changes satisfy the obligations of the Executive.

Proposed change

- Remove 'provided that that amendment must not make substantive changes to the Electoral Regulations' and;
- That the changes to the electoral process proposed during this meeting satisfy this motion.

2. Review process extensions

Background/Rationale

Across two of last year's general meetings, there were motions for review of SULLS' standing orders, dispute resolution, and appointed executive procedures. There was also a motion to undertake a community consultation for the Equity Officer position. These reviews were to be completed prior to the 2022 Annual General Meeting, however owing to capacity issues we are extending these review processes to the 2022 Special General Meeting.



Proposed change

- Extend motions for review to the 2022 Special General Meeting.

Summary of the proposed change:

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- (a) Conduct a comprehensive review of Part 8 of the Constitution and Codes of Conduct;
- (b) Consider relationship (if any) of the above provisions with the Electoral Regulations) and the role of members of Executive and other persons in resolving disputes, managing misconduct and disciplining of members; and
- (c) Propose any amendments to the Constitution, along with any amendments to the By-laws, to the General Meeting.

(2) That the Annual General Meeting directs the Executive, before the Special General Meeting in 2022, to:

- (a) Conduct a review of the Standing Orders to modernise and streamline the conduct of Society meetings;
- (b) Consult with past members of the Executive and the membership, in particular about the conduct of General Meetings; and
- (c) Propose any amendments to the General Meeting.

(3) That the Annual General Meeting directs the Executive, before the Special General Meeting in 2022, to:

- (a) Conduct a review the appointments process of appointed members of the Executive, including the impact on the Society and the portfolio if an appointed position is unfilled;
- (b) Consult with former members of the Executive and members of the Society; and
- (c) Propose any amendments for the consideration of the General Meeting.

(4) That the Annual General Meeting directs the Executive, before the Special General Meeting in 2022, to:

- (a) Conduct a review of the duties of the Equity Officer in cl 21 of the Constitution particularly sub-cl(e);
- (b) Consult with members of the equity and autonomous communities; and
- (c) Propose any amendments for the consideration of the General Meeting



Proposed amendments to the Constitution

1. Standing order clarification

Background/Rationale

Currently SULLS has been misinterpreting this clause and moving and seconding motions to discuss, rather than discussing once the substantive motion itself has a mover and seconder. This change clears up this confusion

Proposed change

- Add the clarification statement as written

Summary of the proposed change

Old Clause	New Clause
Appendix 2: Standing Orders Division I: Introduction ... 24. Every substantive motion must have a mover and a seconder before discussion will commence	Appendix 2: Standing Orders Division I: Introduction ... 24. Every substantive motion must have a mover and a seconder before discussion will commence. For the avoidance of doubt, this does not require a mover and seconder for the discussion to commence, but rather for the substantive motion itself.

2. Online proxy allocation clarification

Background/Rationale

More frequently, SULLS and SULLS Executive meetings have been held online. This change adds flexibility for online proxy allocation.

Proposed change

- Clarify that electronic documents are satisfactory for proxy allocation



Summary of the proposed change

Old Clause	New Clause
<p>Appendix 2: Standing Orders Division I: Introduction</p> <p>...</p> <p>51. The Executive member who is assigning their vote must provide the Chair of the meeting with a sheet of paper nominating another Executive member to be their proxy and containing the signatures of both the Executive member assigning their vote and the proxy.</p>	<p>Appendix 2: Standing Orders Division I: Introduction</p> <p>...</p> <p>51. The Executive member who is assigning their vote must provide the Chair of the meeting with a sheet of paper nominating another Executive member to be their proxy and containing the signatures of both the Executive member assigning their vote and the proxy. For the avoidance of doubt, if accepted as a mode of delivery the Chair an electronic document satisfying the other substantive requirements of this clause shall suffice.</p>

3. Updating the definition of ‘autonomous’

Background/Rationale

With changes in 2021 to include new autonomy requirements for the International Student Officer and Equity Officer roles, the definition of autonomous should be updated to include these positions.

There is also an unnecessary “and” before “First Nations Officer” owing to the addition of the Disabilities Officer at the end of the list.

Proposed change

- Remove erroneous “and”
- Include International Student Officer and Equity Officer

Summary of the proposed change



Old Clause	New Clause
<p>2. In this Constitution, except where a contrary intention appears:</p> <p>...</p> <p>“autonomous” means Queer Officer, Women’s Officer, Ethnocultural Officer, and First Nations Officer, and Disabilities Officer.</p> <p>...</p>	<p>2. In this Constitution, except where a contrary intention appears:</p> <p>...</p> <p>“autonomous” means Queer Officer, Women’s Officer, Ethnocultural Officer, International Student Officer, Equity Officer, and First Nations Officer, and Disabilities Officer.</p> <p>...</p>

4. Executive number rectification

Background/Rationale

In what was likely a clerical error, this clause was not updated to reflect the addition of the Disabilities Officer as an appointed position.

Proposed change

- Replace seven with eight

Summary of the proposed change

Old Clause	New Clause
<p>5. The Executive of the Society (hereinafter “the Executive”) shall consist of fifteen elected positions and seven appointed positions, set out in Part 5.</p>	<p>5. The Executive of the Society (hereinafter “the Executive”) shall consist of fifteen elected positions and eight appointed positions, set out in Part 5.</p>

5. Handover session requirement

Background/Rationale

This section is titled with reference to Executive handovers, and the new section aims to ensure the continuity and stability of SULS, as well as to make sure institutional knowledge is not lost.

Proposed change



- Insert section 27A requiring handovers be organised (or reasonably attempted to be organised) by outgoing executive members

Summary of the proposed change

Old Clause	New Clause
	27A. The members of the outgoing Executive shall, to the best of their ability, attempt to organise a formal handover session or sessions with the corresponding member of the Executive-elect before the Executive-elect take office.

6. Dismissal mechanism rectification

Background/Rationale

Currently section 31 and 32, titled with reference to dismissal and appointment respectively, are both the same and are both regarding appointment. This change fixes that error.

Proposed change

Replace the mechanism for appointment to a vacant role with that of dismissing an elected executive.

Summary of the proposed change

Old Clause	New Clause
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<p>Dismissing elected members at General Meeting</p> <p>31.</p> <p>a) The members of the Society may, at a General Meeting, carry a motion on notice to elect any member of the Society to fill a vacant elected position by a two- thirds majority vote of those members present and voting.</p> <p>b) Where there is a vacancy in an elected position, the Executive may appoint a member of the Society to act in the position from the time of the vacancy to the filling of that position under sub-clause (1). However, the acting member of the Executive shall hold office for not more than eight weeks.</p>	<p>Dismissing elected members at General Meeting</p> <p>31.</p> <p>a) The members of the Society may, at a General Meeting, carry a motion on notice to dismiss any member of the Executive by a two-thirds majority vote of those members present and voting.</p> <p>b) Where there is a vacancy in an elected position, the Executive may appoint a member of the Society to act in the position from the time of the vacancy to the filling of that position under sub-clause (1). However, the acting member of the Executive shall hold office for not more than eight weeks.</p>
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7. Sponsorship Funding Allocation Motion [WITHDRAWN]

Background/Rationale

~~I move a motion that requests that an additional Clause is added under Part 13 Finance under the term “Funds of the Society”. The new clause will stipulate that when a sponsor makes a financial contribution to SULS for a sponsored item or to a specific portfolio (eg. First Nations, women, disability) that a fixed portion of the sponsorship go directly to that portfolio. I also move that this clause allow for amendments to the sponsorship process to ensure that firms or individuals can choose to allocate specific funding to a portfolio or for general use.~~

~~I move that Clause 57 (c) be added in order to improve the sponsorship process and to give sponsors and SULS the ability to change the sponsorship process to ensure that dedicated and direct funding is possible.~~

Explanation

~~The current provisions in 57(a) and 57(b) have resulted in sponsors expecting that sponsored items would be funded and carried out by First Nation’s and other portfolios based on their~~



~~sponsorship. The current provisions allow for funds that are received for sponsor rights in relation to eg First Nations, women’s, disability or queer initiatives may be allocated elsewhere.~~

~~This motion highlights the need for sponsored items to be allocated primarily to the appropriate portfolio. This would ensure greater transparency and accountability around funding and execution of sponsored items. It would also enable SULLS and the portfolio officer’s the ability to request additional funds or design new sponsorship packages to ensure the operations of events in First Nation’s and other equity portfolios. When a sponsor allocates a certain amount of money for specific groups and only a fraction of that money is allocated for said group, the quality of the organised event will be subpar to the sponsor’s expectations. In the long term this is a position that we all want to avoid.~~

~~One way of doing so, without harming funding for other less attractive initiatives to sponsors, could be to allocate a certain percentage of the specifically sponsored amount to SULLS discretion. This ensures general SULLS funding while bringing transparency and guarantees to the sponsors regarding the specific causes or groups they want to support.~~

Proposed change

- ~~● Amend Section 13 Finance clause 57 to add subsection 57(e) to allow for changes in the way sponsored items are presented and sold to sponsors. It will enable sponsors to understand that a portion of the sponsorship will go to the primary portfolio and support SULLS other autonomous portfolios.~~
- ~~● The proposed change will allow the SULLS Executive to produce strategic funding packages and options for sponsors to buy into ensuring that disadvantaged or less visible autonomous portfolios are given exposure and funding to expand their portfolios and serve the SULLS community.~~

Summary of the proposed change

Old Clause	New Clause
57. The funds of the society shall be dealt with as follows: — a) Whenever any person(s) deal, at the request or the direction of the	57 c) To allow for changes in the way sponsored items are presented and sold to sponsors. It will enable sponsors to



<p>Executive, with any money in the preparation, arrangement or execution of any function or activity of the Society, such person(s) shall lodge receipts with the Treasurer, indicating in writing the reason for the expenditure.</p> <p>— b) Notwithstanding anything contained in this Constitution, all assets and funds of the Society shall be used solely to further the Objects of the Society, and no portion of those funds shall be paid or distributed to members of the Society except as compensation for out-of-pocket expenses.</p>	<p>understand that a portion of the sponsorship will go to the primary portfolio and support SALS other autonomous portfolios.</p> <p>The proposed change will allow the SALS Executive to produce strategic funding packages and options for sponsors to buy into ensuring that disadvantaged or less visible autonomous portfolios are given exposure and funding to expand their portfolios and serve the SALS community.</p>
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8. Executive preliminary approval of SALS Budget

Background/Rationale

Currently the SALS budget allocation goes largely unscrutinised by the wider executive. To ensure the approval of fund allocations and strong governance structures the Executive should approve the operating budget before it begins to spend under it without being presented to the AGM.

Proposed change

Insert clause 57A requiring the Executive approve the annual budget in a preliminary form at the beginning of the teaching year.

Summary of the proposed change

Old Clause	New Clause
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	<p>57A.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a.) Prior to the commencement of the first semester of the calendar year, the members of the Executive shall endeavour to approve a preliminary version of the annual budget. b.) This preliminary approval shall be deemed as approval for the purposes of clause 59(c). c.) This preliminary budget may be changed at the discretion of the Treasurer with the approval of the Executive before formal presentation of the Annual Budget at the Annual General Meeting.
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9. Electoral Regulations Review

Background/Rationale

A large component of the electoral changes implemented at the end of 2021 are unnecessarily convoluted, present a barrier to entry for students in understanding and running for Executive, and provide much more administrative work than any prospective Electoral Officer is likely to wish to take on, particularly in an unpaid role.

Proposed change

- Maintain some of the amendments to the Constitution, including the EOI system and the new rules surrounding ticket formation, but undo the unnecessary and overly complex new rounds of EOI system.
- Also, prevent the Electoral Officer from being appointed to the new executive to avoid concerns as to impropriety

Summary of the proposed change

Old Clause	New Clause
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1 Expressions of Interest Generally

(a) An Expression of Interest is a statement by a member of the Society that expresses interest in one or more elected positions of the

Executive that is submitted to the Electoral Officer.

(b) An Expression of Interest shall be no more than a one-page A4 document, of up to 500 words, and may contain information about the

prospective candidate's experience, general vision for SULS and contact information.

However, it must not contain any specific policies.

(c) The Electoral Officer may require changes be made to an Expression of Interest prior to it being issued to ensure it complies with

section 12 of these Regulations.

(d) An Expression of Interest that does not comply with the requirements in sub-section

(b) (defective EOI) shall not be immediately rejected. The Electoral Officer shall make all reasonable efforts to advise the prospective candidate to make relevant amendments.

For the avoidance of doubt, although a defective EOI may not be immediately rejected, a defective EOI must not be published on the

EOI Register.

Note – Section 1D(c) applies for a defective EOI received in the Final Round and section 1E(f) applies for a defective EOI received in the Special Round.

(e) No person may nominate for President unless they have submitted an Expression of

1 Expressions of Interest Generally

(a) An Expression of Interest is a statement by a member of the Society that expresses interest in one or more elected positions of the Executive that is submitted to the Electoral Officer.

(b) An Expression of Interest shall be no more than a one-page A4 document, of up to 500 words, and may contain information about the prospective candidate's experience, general vision for SULS and contact information.

However, it must not contain any specific policies.

(c) The Electoral Officer may require changes be made to an Expression of Interest prior to it being issued to ensure it complies with section 12 of these Regulations.

(d) An Expression of Interest that does not comply with the requirements in sub-section

(b) (defective EOI) shall not be immediately rejected. The Electoral Officer shall make all reasonable efforts to advise the prospective candidate to make relevant amendments.

For the avoidance of doubt, although a defective EOI may not be immediately rejected, a defective EOI must not be published ~~on the~~

~~EOI Register.~~

~~Note – Section 1D(c) applies for a defective EOI received in the Final Round and section 1E(f) applies for a defective EOI received in the Special Round.~~

(e) No person may nominate for President unless they have submitted an Expression of Interest for President to the Electoral Officer.

(f) A person that does not submit an Expression of Interest is not prevented from nominating for an elected position other than



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President.

(g) For the avoidance of doubt, a person who submits any Expression of Interest is not obliged to nominate for any position.

*1A Expressions of Interest Callout
42 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting, a notice shall be issued by the Electoral Officer (Expression of Interest Callout)*

outlining:

(a) That any candidates wishing to become a prospective candidate for President must submit an Expression of Interest to the Electoral Officer;

(b) That any candidates wishing to become a prospective candidate for an elected position on the Executive, other than President, should submit

an Expression of Interest to the Electoral Officer;

(c) The requirements for the Expression of Interest, in accordance with section 1(b); and

(d) The dates and times of the Main, Second, Third and Final Rounds of Expressions of Interest.

1B Expressions of Interest Register

(a) The Electoral Officer shall be responsible for maintaining a Register of

President.

(g) For the avoidance of doubt, a person who submits any Expression of Interest is not obliged to nominate for any position, including Presidential Expressions of Interest

1A Presidential Expressions of Interest

a) 28 days prior to nominations opening, a notice shall be issued by the Electoral Officer ('Expression of Interest Callout') outlining:

i) that any candidates wishing to become a prospective candidate for the Elected Executive submit an Expression of Interest to the Electoral Officer;

ii) the requirements for the Expression of Interest, in accordance with clause 1

~~*(b) That any candidates wishing to become a prospective candidate for an elected position on the Executive, other than President, should submit*~~

~~*an Expression of Interest to the Electoral Officer;*~~

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~~*1B Expressions of Interest Register*~~



Expressions of Interest (EOI Register) on the Society's website.

(b) The EOI Register shall make available, from the relevant publication time (as provided in sections 1C–1E) to the close of voting, the following information:

(i) A list of persons who have submitted an Expression of Interest and the positions that they expressed interest in, in surname-alphabetical order; and

(ii) A link to each Expression of Interest.

(c) The power of the Electoral Officer in sub-section (a) includes the power to correct the EOI Register for any error or deficiency.

1C Main Round of Expressions of Interest

(a) The Electoral Officer shall accept Expressions of Interest for any elected position of the Executive during the first round (Main Round) of

Expressions of Interest, which shall:

(i) Open 42 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting at 12:00pm; and

(ii) Close 35 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting at 11:59am;

(b) After the close of the Main Round but on or before 6:00pm on the same day, the Electoral Officer shall:

(i) Add any Expressions of Interest received during the Main Round to the EOI Register; and

(ii) Issue a notice (Main Round Notice) to members of the Society by email providing:

(1) The names of persons who have submitted an Expression of Interest in the Main Round;

(2) A link to the EOI Register; and

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~~*(b) The EOI Register shall make available, from the relevant publication time (as provided in sections 1C–1E) to the close of voting, the following information:*~~

~~*(i) A list of persons who have submitted an Expression of Interest and the positions that they expressed interest in, in surname-alphabetical order; and*~~

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<p><i>(3) The dates and times of the Second, Third and Final Rounds of Expressions of Interest.</i></p> <p><i>1D Second, Third and Final Rounds of Expressions of Interest</i></p> <p><i>(a) The Electoral Officer shall accept Expressions of Interest for any elected position of the Executive in the Second, Third and Final Rounds.</i></p> <p><i>The round of Expressions of Interest specified in the first column shall open at 12:00pm on the day specified in the second column and close</i></p> <p><i>at 11:59am on the day specified in the third column:</i></p> <p><i>Round of Expressions of Interest</i></p> <p><i>Open Date at 12:00pm Close Date at 11:59am</i></p> <p><i>Second Round 35 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting</i></p> <p><i>33 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting</i></p> <p><i>Third Round 33 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting</i></p> <p><i>31 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting</i></p> <p><i>Final Round 31 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting</i></p> <p><i>29 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting</i></p>	<p><i>(3) The dates and times of the Second, Third and Final Rounds of Expressions of Interest.</i></p> <p><i>1D Second, Third and Final Rounds of Expressions of Interest</i></p> <p><i>(a) The Electoral Officer shall accept Expressions of Interest for any elected position of the Executive in the Second, Third and Final Rounds.</i></p> <p><i>The round of Expressions of Interest specified in the first column shall open at 12:00pm on the day specified in the second column and close</i></p> <p><i>at 11:59am on the day specified in the third column:</i></p> <p><i>Round of Expressions of Interest</i></p> <p><i>Open Date at 12:00pm Close Date at 11:59am</i></p> <p><i>Second Round 35 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting</i></p> <p><i>33 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting</i></p> <p><i>Third Round 33 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting</i></p> <p><i>31 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting</i></p> <p><i>Final Round 31 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting</i></p> <p><i>29 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting</i></p> <p><i>(b) After the close of both the Second and Third Rounds but on or before 6:00pm on the same day, the Electoral Officer shall:</i></p>
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(b) After the close of both the Second and Third Rounds but on or before 6:00pm on the same day, the Electoral Officer shall:

(i) Add any Expressions of Interest received in that Round to the EOI Register; and

(ii) Notify all persons who have submitted an Expression of Interest in any Round thus far that the EOI Register has been updated and provide a link to the EOI Register.

(c) Where a defective EOI has been submitted to the Electoral Officer during the Final Round, the Electoral Officer shall inform the

prospective candidate of how the expression of interest is invalid, and allow an extension for re-submission up until 3:00pm of the day of the close of the Final Round.

(d) Between 3:00pm and 6:00pm on the day the Final Round closes, the Electoral Officer shall:

(i) Add any Expressions of Interest received during the Final Round to the EOI Register; and

(ii) Issue a notice (Final Round Notice) to members of the Society by email providing the names of persons who have submitted an Expression of Interest in all Rounds and a link to the EOI Register.

Note: If section 1E applies, the Final Round Notice shall include information provided in section 1E(b).

1E Special Round of Expression of Interest
(a) This section applies only if, after the close of the Final Round, there are no Expressions of Interest for President on the EOI Register.

~~*(i) Add any Expressions of Interest received in that Round to the EOI Register; and*~~

~~*(ii) Notify all persons who have submitted an Expression of Interest in any Round thus far that the EOI Register has been updated and provide a link to the EOI Register.*~~

~~*(e) Where a defective EOI has been submitted to the Electoral Officer during the Final Round, the Electoral Officer shall inform the prospective candidate of how the expression of interest is invalid, and allow an extension for re-submission up until 3:00pm of the day of the close of the Final Round.*~~

~~*(d) Between 3:00pm and 6:00pm on the day the Final Round closes, the Electoral Officer shall:*~~

~~*(i) Add any Expressions of Interest received during the Final Round to the EOI Register; and*~~

~~*(ii) Issue a notice (Final Round Notice) to members of the Society by email providing the names of persons who have submitted an Expression of Interest in all Rounds and a link to the EOI Register.*~~

~~*Note: If section 1E applies, the Final Round Notice shall include information provided in section 1E(b).*~~

~~*1E Special Round of Expression of Interest*~~

~~*(a) This section applies only if, after the close of the Final Round, there are no Expressions of Interest for President on the EOI Register.*~~

~~*(b) In the Final Round Notice, the Electoral Officer shall also include:*~~

~~*(i) That a Special Round of Expressions of Interest is being held and outline the provisions of this section; and*~~



(b) In the Final Round Notice, the Electoral Officer shall also include:

(i) That a Special Round of Expressions of Interest is being held and outline the provisions of this section; and

(ii) The dates and times of the Special Round of Expression of Interest.

(c) The Special Round of Expressions of Interest shall:

(i) Open after the publication of the Final Round Notice; and

(ii) Close 27 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting at 11:59am.

(d) Subject to sub-section (e), any member of the Society who submitted an Expression of Interest for a position other than President (their earlier EOI) may, by writing to the Electoral Officer before the close of the Special Round, submit an Expression of Interest for President.

They may:

(i) Request that their earlier EOI be treated as an Expression of Interest for President; or

(ii) Submit a fresh Expression of Interest for President.

(e) If fewer than five members of the Society have submitted an Expression of Interest for a position other than President, the Electoral Officer shall accept an Expression of Interest for President from any member of the Society.

(f) Where a defective EOI has been submitted to the Electoral Officer during the Special Round, the Electoral Officer shall inform the prospective

~~*(ii) The dates and times of the Special Round of Expression of Interest.*~~

~~*(c) The Special Round of Expressions of Interest shall:*~~

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~~*(ii) Close 27 days prior to the commencement of the period of voting at 11:59am.*~~

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~~*(e) If fewer than five members of the Society have submitted an Expression of Interest for a position other than President, the Electoral Officer*~~

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~~*(f) Where a defective EOI has been submitted to the Electoral Officer during the Special Round, the Electoral Officer shall inform the prospective*~~

~~*candidate of how the expression of interest is invalid, and allow an extension for re-submission up until 3:00pm of the day of the close of the Special Round.*~~



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(g) Between 3:00pm and 6:00pm on the day the Special Round closes, the Electoral Officer shall:

(i) Add any Expressions of Interest for President received during the Special Round to the EOI Register; and

(ii) Issue a notice (Special Round Notice) to members of the Society by email providing the names of persons who have submitted an Expression of Interest in all Rounds and a link to the EOI Register.

Note: If section 17 applies, the Special Round Notice shall include information provided in section 17(d).

(h) If no Expressions of Interest for President are submitted in the Special Round, the Elections will be conducted in the manner set out in section 17.

(i) For the avoidance of doubt, an Expression of Interest for any position other than President may not be received and published on the EOI

Register during the Special Round.

IF Members may form tickets

(a) After (whichever is later):

(i) The publication of the Main Round Notice; or

(ii) The publication of the first Expression of Interest for President on the EOI Register, a person may approach any interested person to join a ticket that contains a

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~~*(ii) The publication of the first Expression of Interest for President on the EOI Register, a person may approach any interested person to join a ticket that contains a prospective Presidential candidate whose Expression of Interest*~~

~~*for President has been published on the EOI Register (at the time of approaching the candidate).*~~



prospective Presidential candidate whose Expression of Interest for President has been published on the EOI Register (at the time of approaching the candidate).

(b) However, nothing in sub-section (a) permits a person to approach or attempt to approach a member of the Society to form or join a ticket that

has a prospective Presidential candidate who does not have an Expression of Interest for President on the EOI Register (at the time of approaching the candidate).

(c) For the avoidance of doubt, it is prohibited for (and nothing in sub-section (a) permits) a person to approach any prospective candidate or other candidates to form or join a ticket if there are no Expressions of Interest for President on the EOI Register.

~~*(b) However, nothing in sub-section (a) permits a person to approach or attempt to approach a member of the Society to form or join a ticket that*~~

~~*has a prospective Presidential candidate who does not have an Expression of Interest for President on the EOI Register (at the time of approaching the candidate).*~~

~~*(c) For the avoidance of doubt, it is prohibited for (and nothing in sub-section (a) permits) a person to approach any prospective candidate or other candidates to form or join a ticket if there are no Expressions of Interest for President on the EOI Register.*~~

b) 14 days prior to nominations opening, a notice shall be issued by the Electoral Officer outlining a list of persons who have nominated as a prospective Presidential candidate, and attaching copies of the Expressions of Interest that have been submitted. No further Presidential Expressions of Interest may be submitted after this date, with the exception of paragraph(f).

c) 7 days prior to nominations opening, a notice shall be issued by the Electoral Officer outlining a list of persons who have nominated as a prospective Executive Candidate not being a Presidential Candidate, and attaching copies of the Expressions of Interest that have been submitted.

d) In the event that fewer than two Presidential Expressions of Interest are submitted by 14 days prior to nominations opening, the period which



Presidential Expressions of Interest may be submitted to the Electoral Officer will be extended by 7 days. The Electoral Officer shall issue a notice informing members of this extension. This notice shall be issued concurrently with the notice contemplated by paragraph (d) above. If there are further Presidential Expressions of Interest submitted, an updated list of Presidential candidates shall be issued by the Electoral Officer 7 days prior to nominations opening. If there are no further Presidential Expressions of Interest submitted, the Electoral officer shall, concurrently with the notice contemplated by paragraph (d) above, issue a notice indicating that no further Presidential Expressions of Interest had been received.

1B Members may form tickets

(a) After the publication of Executive Expressions of Interest a person may approach any interested person to join a ticket that contains a prospective Presidential candidate whose Expression of Interest for President has been published (at the time of approaching the candidate).

(b) However, nothing in sub-section (a) permits a person to approach or attempt to approach a member of the Society to form or join a ticket that

has a prospective Presidential candidate who does not have a published Expression of Interest for President ~~on the EOI Register~~ (at the time of approaching the candidate).



	<p><i>(c) For the avoidance of doubt, it is prohibited for (and nothing in sub-section (a) permits) a person to approach any prospective candidate or other candidates to form or join a ticket if there are no Expressions of Interest for President on the EOI Register.</i></p>
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<p><i>12. Prohibited Practices</i></p> <p><i>a) Prior to the commencement of ticket formation as provided in Prior to the publication of Expressions of Interest by the Electoral Officer under Clause 1(e), section 1F, no person may:</i></p> <p><i>i) solicit support or assistance for campaigning activities;</i></p> <p><i>Note: Section 12(b) applies even after authorisation under section 1F.</i></p> <p><i>ii) approach or attempt to approach candidates to fill positions on a ticket.</i></p> <p><i>b) After the commencement of ticket formation under section 1F, but prior to the campaigning commencement time outlined in the Election Notice, campaigning activities are prohibited. Such activities include, but are not limited to:</i></p> <p><i>i) Publicly displaying or distributing any publication (including posters, stickers, flyers, letters, online communications, videos, sound recordings and t-shirts) containing any electoral matter;</i></p> <p><i>ii) Publicly displaying or distributing letters (online or otherwise), emails, mobile phone text messages and other online communications;</i></p> <p><i>iii) Soliciting support or assistance for campaigning activities to</i></p>	<p><i>12. Prohibited practices</i></p> <p><i>a) Prior to the publication of Expressions of Interest by the Electoral Officer under Clause 1(e), no person may:</i></p> <p><i>i) solicit support or assistance for campaigning activities;</i></p> <p><i>Note: Section 12(b) applies even after authorisation under section 1F:</i></p> <p><i>ii) approach or attempt to approach candidates to fill positions on a ticket.</i></p> <p><i>b) Prior to the campaigning commencement time outlined in the Election Notice, campaigning activities are prohibited. Such activities include, but are not limited to:</i></p> <p><i>i) Publicly displaying or distributing any publication (including posters, stickers, flyers, letters, online communications, videos, sound recordings and t-shirts) containing any electoral matter;</i></p> <p><i>ii) Publicly displaying or distributing letters (online or otherwise), emails, mobile phone text messages and other online communications;</i></p> <p><i>iii) Soliciting support or assistance for campaigning activities to commence after the campaigning commencement time by way of email, mobile phone text message, or any mass-communication technique.</i></p>
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17. No Presidential Expressions of Interest
a) This section applies only if, after the close of the Special Round, there are no Expressions of Interest for President on the EOI Register. This section applies notwithstanding anything in the Regulations.
b) Of these Regulations, only sections 1-1E, 3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 shall apply to the Election, as far as they are applicable.
c) Notwithstanding sections 2(a) and (b), the Electoral Officer shall, by publication of the Special Round Notice, be deemed to have closed nominations.
d) The Special Round Notice must also give notice for an Extraordinary General Meeting to be held between 21 to 28 days after the Special Round Notice is issued. The notice shall state:
i) That nominations for the Executive are re-open;
ii) The day and time on which nominations close;
iii) The time, date and place, if applicable, of the election;
iv) That the only persons eligible to be candidates are those eligible under section 3 of these Regulations, and that the only persons eligible to vote are members of the Society;
v) The agenda, which shall include the particulars of how the Elections shall take place.

17. No Presidential Expressions of Interest
a) This section applies only if, after the close of the **period contemplated in clause 1(f)**, there are no Expressions of Interest for President ~~on the EOI Register~~. This section applies notwithstanding anything in the Regulations.
b) Of these Regulations, only sections 1-1B, 3, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 14 and 15 shall apply to the Election, as far as they are applicable.
c) Notwithstanding sections 2(a) and (b), the Electoral Officer shall, **after the close of the period contemplated in clause 1(f), if there are no Presidential expressions of interest**, be deemed to have closed nominations.
d) At the close of nominations clause 17(c), the Electoral Officer must also give notice for an Extraordinary General Meeting to be held between 21 to 28 days after the Special Round Notice is issued. The notice shall state:
i) That nominations for the Executive are re-open;
ii) The day and time on which nominations close;
iii) The time, date and place, if applicable, of the election;
iv) That the only persons eligible to be candidates are those eligible under section 3 of these Regulations, and that the only persons eligible to vote are members of the Society;



e) An Extraordinary General Meeting must be held during the semester teaching period (from the start of main semester to before the commencement of STUVAC). The meeting shall be held between 9am and 9pm. The meeting shall be held online using suitable audio-visual conferencing software, and where possible, at a place on a campus of the University of Sydney.

f) Nominations for each elected position of the Executive are to be open 7 days after the Special Round Notice is issued. The close of nominations shall be no later than the commencement time of the Extraordinary General Meeting at which the elections are to occur.

g) A member of the Society may nominate themselves (but not any other person) for any position. A nomination is valid only if it is consistent with the form specified by the Electoral Officer, and if the candidate is eligible pursuant to section 3 of these Regulations.

h) The Electoral Officer shall act as the Returning Officer for Elections conducted in this manner. The Returning Officer shall:

i) Be chair of the meeting, notwithstanding the Standing Orders;

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ii) Have responsibility with the conduct of the election; and
iii) May appoint suitable persons, not being candidates for election, as Deputy Returning Officers.
i) The Electoral Legal Arbiter shall be empowered to receive any appeals against the decisions of the Returning Officer in the manner described in section 11 of these Regulations.
j) Where such a meeting is duly called, the structure of the Elections at this meeting shall be as follows:
i) A member of the Society is entitled to attend the Extraordinary General Meeting. Only members of the Society who attend the Extraordinary General Meeting may vote at that meeting.
ii) Ballots shall list the names of the individual candidates in surname alphabetical order.
iii) During the General Meeting, elections of each elected member of the Executive shall be carried out in the order that they are listed in clause 5A of the Constitution.
iv) Each candidate may speak for up to 1 minute but the speaking time may be varied by a resolution under the Standing Orders.
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of roles for a position, that candidate shall be declared elected.

Note: At the time of enacting this Regulation, there are two roles for Competitions Director, and two roles for Social Director.

vi) Where the number of candidates is greater than the number of roles for a positions, voting shall be by secret ballot and shall be consistent with the counting mechanism in section 8 of these Regulations as far as it is applicable, provided that:

A) The word “ticket” in section 8 shall refer to “candidate”.

B) Where a position has multiple roles, there will be a single ballot for them, and the mechanism of counting votes shall be consistent with section 8 of these Regulations, but the counting will proceed even if a candidate has a majority of votes, and shall cease where the number of remaining candidates matches the number of available positions. Those remaining candidates shall be declared elected.

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the Extraordinary General Meeting. Unfilled positions after this point will be formally re-advertised with 14 days' notice, and filled promptly as a casual vacancy by the Executive.

k) The declarations of election by the Returning Officer shall constitute the Notice of Election Result.

l) No business, including constitutional amendments or motions on notice, may be discussed or voted on at the Extraordinary General Meeting, unless moved by the Returning Officer with notice pursuant to the Constitution.

m) The Returning Officer is empowered to make and publish Rules governing the fair and efficient conduct of the Extraordinary General Meeting and the Elections. In making the Rules, the Returning Officer must:

i) have regard to the practice of the Society in the running of General Meeting and any directions of the University of Sydney Union; and

ii) consult with the President and Secretary, provided they are not a candidate for the Election and it is appropriate to do so.

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ii) consult with the President and Secretary, provided they are not a candidate for the Election and it is appropriate to do so.

n) It is prohibited to breach Rules made by the Returning Officer pursuant to sub-section (m).



14. Electoral Officials

- a) The SULS Executive shall appoint an Electoral Officer to conduct the Annual Elections of the Society.*
- b) Any Electoral Officer shall ensure the fair and efficient conduct of the elections and shall:*
- i) Not be a candidate, nominator, or member of the outgoing Executive, nor vote in the election;*
 - ii) At the time of their appointment, not be eligible for any appointed position under the new Executive except the position of Electoral Officer in the following year's elections;*
- c) The Electoral Officer shall, to ensure the fair and efficient conduct of the elections and shall, be empowered:*
- i) To make and hear allegations of breaches of these regulations;*
 - ii) To receive and hear complaints and appeals;*

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APPENDIX B -

IMMEDIATE PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT - WENDY HU

After nearly a year of online class, the 2021 SULLS team excitedly embraced the new year with grand plans to welcome students new and old to campus. A public health landscape constantly in flux, however, had other plans for us. Despite these obstacles, I am so proud of what the 2021 SULLS Executive and Committee achieved, not just in the scale of what we were able to deliver, but because of the unwavering commitment to student interests and wellbeing. SULLS is in a privileged position to run incredible programs and events, many of which I will highlight below, but what will continue to inspire me is the way the team went out of their way to ensure their peers felt welcomed, supported, and listened to.

At the beginning of the year, we set out three pillars to guide our efforts: connectivity, support, and advocacy. On the first pillar, we adopted a hybrid approach to fostering a closer-knit SULLS community by creating opportunities for those on campus to safely interact in person while ensuring there were opportunities to connect for online students. We initiated a complete overhaul of the previous disparate mentoring programs to develop a new Careers Mentoring Program that better acknowledged the intersectional and diverse experiences of the student body (I hope a future SULLS Executive will continue with this approach). Alongside this, we introduced an Intercohort Mentoring and Clerkship Buddy program for students to meet, and learn from, those outside their year group, and an International Student Career Mentoring Program. On the second pillar, we ensured there were multiple avenues to raise concerns with the SULLS team and that any queries were responded to promptly, confidentially and sensitively. The two Wellbeing Weeks were important reminders to check in with our mental health, but wellbeing was at the forefront of our minds when designing all initiatives. So too was accessibility, including checking that venues had accessible facilities and ensuring that a student's financial situation would not impede their ability to fully participate through a robust equity program.

On the third pillar, SULLS was a strong advocate at the Faculty, University and society-wide levels. We received 300+ responses in our Student Body Survey, the results of which we used to push for curriculum and Faculty program changes. We helped lead the push against the University shift to 12-week semesters and engaged with issues faced by our community through statements in support, contextual information, and ways to directly contribute and help. Lastly, we undertook a



comprehensive review of the SULLS Constitution and election process to institute a fairer EOI system with input from an extensive consultation process. It is structural changes like these that buttress SULLS against losing relevance and being unresponsive to the needs of students. I hope these changes will not be reversed without considered deliberation with the student body.

That is not to say we did not face challenges. One already mentioned is how to bring students studying from all across the world together to form meaningful connections. While technology has been a great tool for facilitation, online engagement has different requirements from in-person interaction. This will be an ongoing challenge as we embrace the hybrid way of University. The second challenge was how to ensure SULLS was reaching every law student and being a truly representative body. The multitude of forums we established to seek feedback and concerns were utilised fulsomely in 2021 but I know we did not hear from every student who may have benefitted from the help of SULLS. SULLS should continue to find ways to engage students, especially those studying overseas, part-time, and off-campus. The third challenge was how to maximise awareness of the diversity of career paths available to law students, particularly outside of the corporate sphere. We introduced an ambitious and expansive 'non-corporate law' pathways careers program in Semester 2 which invited speakers from academia to advocacy, and journalism to public policy, to share insights into their work over 6 weeks. However, this is just a small step we have taken to further SULLS' prerogative to highlight all the ways law students can utilise their degrees.

Education

The Education portfolio, led by Sinem, modelled incisive advocacy and broadened the understanding of 'education' to acknowledge the importance of wellbeing and relationships. The portfolio once again ran the highly subscribed Law School Basis, Crash Courses and peer study program. But it also introduced a Why Law? Podcast series, Subject Survival Tips and Subject Selection Night, and a Teachers and Students Coffee Catchup. Revamping the SULLS Online Textbook Exchange was another overdue task that deserves special thanks. Regarding advocacy, the Education and Campus portfolios worked together to draft the SULLS Student Body Survey and accompanying Report which was tabled in the Student Staff Consultative Forum (SSCF). The Report formed the basis of extensive advocacy efforts, including assessment structure, student feedback, tutorial recordings, and support for ESL students.



Careers

Careers, led by Cameron, enjoys one of the heaviest workloads of all SULLS portfolios, and yet Careers delivered the most well-rounded and ambitious programs in recent history. Not only did the portfolio publish its annual 2021 Careers Guide, once again host the Clerkship Networking Evening in person, and run a plethora of clerkship presentations, the Committee greatly expanded the level of support Careers provides. The portfolio played a critical coordination role in running the 100+ participant strong intersectional Careers Mentoring Program. It also started a 'Job Ready' Panel Series and introduced the personalised CV, cover letter and interview sessions. Finally, Careers worked closely with Social Justice and Sponsorship to run a much needed 'non-corporate pathways' program in Semester 2.

Social Justice

Led by Sophia, Social Justice epitomised cross-portfolio collaboration, working with Careers, Sponsorship and the autonomous portfolios to deliver numerous initiatives and be the lead on SULLS' social advocacy efforts. Social Justice hosted SULLS' 3rd annual Environmental Policy Pitch in Semester 1, broadened its competition offering to inaugurate the Criminal Justice Policy Pitch in Semester 2 and expanded the Community Legal Centre (CLC) Table Talks to include government legal services. Other events included a Refugee Policy Panel marking '20 Years Since Tampa' and a new SULLS Social Justice Lecture Series. Social Justice also worked with First Nations to submit on behalf of students to the Interim Voice Report endorsing constitutional enshrinement of an Indigenous Voice to Parliament. The portfolio continued to work closely with the Refugee Language Tutoring Program (RLTP) coordinators and introduced four new co-chairs.

Treasurer

Tiana and her Treasurer Committee worked tirelessly to ensure SULLS remained in a secure financial position, but never let it constrain the ambition of the team. The portfolio is to be commended for so competently managing what has been an incredibly busy year of events, especially in the latter half of Semester 2. The new quarterly reports about SULLS' finances added critical administrative transparency and improved accountability. The investment project was robustly progressed. We received advice that the final investment decision should be reviewed by an investment expert, and so have left its implementation with the 2022 Treasurer.



Secretary

SULS would not have run nearly as smoothly without the diligent work of the 2021 Secretary, Alison. Alison was an asset not only to the governance aspect of SULS, a duty she handled with exceptional attention to detail, but also to the day-to-day running and organisation of SULS. While without a portfolio of her own, Alison was the point of contact for concerns on Facebook and made it a personal priority that a response was provided. Everyone in the SULS Executive can attest that without Alison's help, both regarding SULS, but also on an interpersonal level, we would not have survived the year.

Sponsorship

Despite the disruptions to our planned suite of initiatives, Gretel as the 2021 Sponsorship Director did an outstanding job securing over \$170,000 in sponsorship revenue, the highest amount in SULS history. This was largely due to Gretel's efforts to expand our sponsorship base beyond our legacy corporate law firms, to solicit sponsorships outside of the traditional 'sponsorship cycle' and to reimagine 'sponsorships' to also include partnerships. Importantly, these sponsorship opportunities allowed us to retain autonomy over how the funding was allocated and included increased budgets for all autonomous portfolios. Gretel was also integral to many of the Careers and Social Justice initiatives, especially the Clerkship Networking Evening and non-corporate pathways panels.

Competitions

Alongside Careers and Design, Competitions is one of the most (if not the most) intensive SULS portfolios. That Felix and Caroline, and their Committee, made it through the colossally busy year, with good humour, and were still able to contribute to SULS more broadly, is truly a testament to their leadership and hard work. The Competitions portfolio ran highly successful internals and intervarsity program and also hosted holiday competitions opportunities, including the JD Torts Moot and Negotiations. Competitions focussed on extending its educative function, by expanding the Introductory Mooting Program and introducing the Negotiations Crash Course, and Witness Examination and Client Interviewing Workshops. Finally, they worked with Publications to introduce a Modern Advocacy initiative.



Socials

Perhaps the portfolio most disrupted by changing COVID situations, Socials, led by Onor and Georgia, epitomised resilience and delivered all of our favourite SULLS events (and more!) with flair. In Semester 1, Socials successfully brought back a sold-out Welcome Week Party and SULLS x UNSW LawSoc Law Cruises. For the first time, the portfolio held a SULLS Moonlight Cinema and Paint n Sip in Courtyard in conjunction with Campus with part of the proceeds going towards Youth Off the Streets and the Women & Girls' Emergency Shelter. Due to a COVID lockdown, big-ticket events had to be rescheduled, but this only made Socials more determined to host the most incredible long-awaited SULLS Snowflake Law Ball and Final Year Dinner to send off 2021.

Campus

Led by Sofia, the Campus portfolio was wholly revitalised to not only maintain its legacy focus on wellbeing, but to make more salient its 'campus' role in connecting students within and across year groups, and advocating for cohort-specific interests. As such, Campus enjoyed an incredibly busy year collaborating with the other portfolios in advancing all three focus areas. For wellbeing, Campus and Sport organised thoughtful Wellbeing Weeks in Semester 1 and 2 but were also champions for wellbeing throughout the year, by launching a Wellbeing Wednesday social media campaign throughout Semester 2, developing a Mental Health Factsheet (based partly on Mental Health First Aid Training which numerous SULLS Executive and Committee members received) and trialling free Headspace subscriptions for students. On the social front, Campus ran events such as LLB1, 2, and 3 Games Nights and JD1, JD3 and LLB5 Careers Panels, and also intercohort events such as Welcome Back Drinks, Speedfriending and Intervarsity Trivia Night. A key initiative was the inaugural Intercohort Mentoring and Clerkship Buddy Program. Lastly, for advocacy, Sofia and the Campus Representatives were integral drafters of the Student Body Survey and Report alongside Education.

Sport

Sports, led by Calvin, shared the same frustrations as Socials about the inability to run its normal program of in-person sports events, but nonetheless came up with creative ways to engage people with sport virtually, had an extensive focus on wellbeing, and dropped the sickest merch line. Yoga sessions became a staple to the SULLS monthly calendar and virtual Interfaculty trivias and a running challenge took the place of Wednesday sport. Sport worked hand in hand with Campus to launch a Wellbeing Wednesday social media campaign throughout Semester 2, develop a Mental Health



Factsheet, trial free Headspace subscriptions for students and inaugurate the Intercohort Mentoring and Clerkship Buddy Program. Merch also fell back within the purview of Sport (having had a foray with the Treasurer), which resulted in the most stylish merch that has ever graced SULLS.

Publications

Justin and his Publications Committee pushed the boundaries of the portfolio beyond the legacy emphasis on the written word, to significantly expand Footnotes and include visual art. The Footnotes team achieved their goal of producing a podcast every fortnight and made it more student-centric by collaborating with Education, Equity and the International to share lived experiences with the topics for discussion. Two other cross-portfolio initiatives included the Modern Advocacy capsule publication developed in conjunction with Competitions and the Ethnocultural Arts Initiative developed in conjunction with Ethnocultural. Moreover, Publications introduced a SULLS Writing Competition and enhanced its educative function by hosting the first ever Introduction to Publications event.

International

Led by Sissi, the International portfolio embodied the meaning of peer support and the spirit of SULLS by devoting countless hours to helping their peers, especially those studying overseas. Every week, the team held an International Student Catch-up over Zoom where students could learn informally about a topic, share the challenges they were facing, and make new friends. This was complemented by the inaugural International Student Career Mentoring Program and the continuation of the peer-to-peer International Student Mentoring program. The International portfolio became a rich source of career and wellbeing support, including co-hosting the International Student Clerkship event with UNSW LawSoc, publishing the 2021 SULLS International Student Guide and running a vibrant Facebook group for the sharing of relevant information. Sissi and her team were also fierce advocates for international students rights, being pivotal to many Faculty discussions, and continued the tradition of the annual Migration Pathways Seminar with Professor Mary Crock.

Equity

The Equity portfolio, led by Eden, played a critical role in supporting students on a financial and interpersonal level during 2021, and oversaw the creation of the Disabilities Officer position. Equity successfully distributed over 100 textbooks via the Textbook Loans Scheme both in-person and through the first ever postal delivery



scheme. There were also administrative improvements for the equity schemes, including new conflict of interest procedures, allowing students to borrow more than 4 books at a time, back-end anonymity safeguards, a new bond waiver scheme and expanding the Textbook Loans Scheme to guarantee elective textbooks. Moreover, the portfolio introduced the Equity Support Box and Equity Committee Peer Support Program the members of which acted as guides to help students navigate the updated Student Support Services Handbook and seek the right assistance. Alongside overseeing the establishment of the new SULLS Disabilities Officer role, the portfolio ran a panel on Disability Advocacy and Policy.

Women's

Led by Nora, the Women's portfolio continued to be one of the SULLS portfolios with the greatest engagement and that is a testament to the strong sense of community developed by the Committee. The Women's Virtual Library was a chance for students to study together in a remote environment and would be followed by a Netflix party or social catch-up. The Women's Facebook group and Instagram continued to flourish with a new 'Women of Sydney Law School' social media campaign to allow women law students to share their life stories. Equally important was the awareness work of the portfolio, which co-hosted the Intervarsity Women in Law Conference with UTS and UNSW, Women's Mentoring Program (as part of the CMP), Women's Rights are Human Rights panel discussion and Domestic Violence, COVID-19 and the Law panel discussion with the Queer and First Nations portfolio. The team also made important strides in increasing the representation of women in Sydney Law School through numerous discussions with Faculty.

Queer

Bru and the Queer portfolio did a magnificent job fostering an inclusive and supportive community for queer students and allies through various initiatives. The Queer Student Study and Social Hour was a new initiative that allowed queer students to meet others in their community in an inclusive, warm and welcoming space and under the new intersectional Careers Mentoring Program, 23 queer identifying students were matched with queer legal professionals. The Pride Moot continued to be run with UTS and UNSW, and a new competition, Rainbow Client Interviewing was piloted to expand the autonomous competitions offering. The portfolio also ran the Out, Loud and Proud Panel as well as the Domestic Violence, COVID-19 and the Law Panel with the Women's and First Nations portfolio.



Ethnocultural

The Ethnocultural portfolio, led by Mahmoud, was brought to new heights in 2021 with a focus on building community, advocacy and art as a pivotal part of cultural expression. The portfolio founded the Ethnocultural Arts Initiative, collaborated with Publications to launch a new Ethnocultural Arts publication and founded 'Legally Bound: Our Voices, Our Stories' to centre the lived experiences of Sydney Law students' CALD community. We tragically lost a beloved fellow law student, Shahad Nomani, who was a great supporter of the Ethnocultural portfolio, and an annual social justice and law reform lecture was created in his honour. Alongside the plethora of new initiatives, the team reinvigorated the Ethnocultural Facebook page which received wide engagement, published the annual MOSAIC journal and organised the annual Ethnocultural Leadership Panel. Mahmoud also contributed significantly to reforming the equity by-laws and Constitution to increase accessibility.

First Nations

Led by Nathan, the First Nations portfolio played a crucial role in lobbying the Faculty to reform how inclusive the Law School is for First Nations students and being a powerful advocate in campaigns such as the constitutional enshrinement of an Indigenous Voice to Parliament. The portfolio also helped launch the public lecture series on Indigenous Peoples and the Law and collaborated with the Women's and Queer portfolio on the Domestic Violence, COVID-19 and the Law panel.

Marketing

Marketing, led by Sarah, helped ensure students knew about SULS' initiatives and that concerns were responded to. The portfolio led the updating of the SULS website, including helping reshape the Textbook Exchange, and was responsible for managing, uploading and refreshing all of SULS' social media. Marketing also assisted with design work, and collaborated extensively with Design and the Secretary to ensure the smooth operation of SULS.

Design

Without the outstanding work of Arasa and the Design portfolio, SULS would not nearly have its reach or impact, or the stylish aesthetic which has come to define SULS' identity. To say this is a workload heavy portfolio is an understatement. The team designed 12 Publications spanning over 1,000 pages and completed over 200 design requests for Facebook, Instagram and other social media platforms. The existing design



metrics were overhauled to revitalise branding with an artistic yet professional aesthetic and original illustrations were added to journals to bring artistic flair. Finally, (I suspect to physically be able to accommodate our often last minute requests, sorry!) the portfolio streamlined the design process to reduce inefficiencies.

I could not be prouder to have led such an incredible team and on so many initiatives that have made a meaningful positive impact on the experiences of Sydney Law students. It is perhaps incredulous that the considerably lengthy outline above does not even capture the full gamut of what the team devoted their efforts to last year. From the hours-long meetings and planning days, to the 1am sprints to finalise events, and the mad rush of event days themselves - so much of what the SULLS team does occur quietly behind the scenes, all driven by a passion to make law school that bit more fun, enriching, and welcoming. I cannot thank all of you enough.

To the 2022 SULLS Executive, I hope you will continue to carry on the rich legacy of SULLS being first and foremost an organisation *for students*. SULLS' impact, reach, and ability to advocate depends on its ability to actively listen and respond to the student body. I am confident this mandate will guide your efforts for the rest of the year. Wishing you all the best.

Wendy Hu

2021 SULLS President



APPENDIX C -

IMMEDIATE PAST SECRETARY'S REPORT - ALISON CHEN

If 'unprecedented' was the 2020 word of the year, 'hybrid' might be the 2021 word of the year. Despite promises of #hotvaxsummer and freedom from COVID-19, SULLS spent much of the year resigned to virtual events. I personally spent more time in the SULLS office as an Executive member in 2020 than I did in 2021, and I think this reflects the ongoing challenges which the 2021 Executive handled with grace and professionalism.

In my report, I will summarise the operations of the 2021 SULLS Executive.

From an administrative perspective, SULLS reports to several regulatory bodies throughout the year. SULLS successfully submitted its annual report to the Australian Charities and Not For Profits Commission in June 2021. Thank you to Tiana Dumanovsky, the 2021 Treasurer, for your assistance with reviewing the financials in the report. We are no longer required to submit quarterly business indicators to the Australian Bureau of Statistics due to our change in ABN during the incorporation process. We also successfully renewed our registration with the USU's Clubs & Societies Office. In terms of communications to members, the newsletter format was revamped and optimised for mobile viewing, and received 740 new sign-ups and reached 4388 subscribers in 2021. The format of public-facing minutes and other secretarial documents was also revamped.

From a governance perspective, 2021 was a year of significant constitutional reform. Past Executives will not-so-fondly remember wrangling with ambiguous wording and inconsistent provisions in the Constitution. Constitutional amendments were considered and successfully passed at the Annual General Meeting on 22 March 2021, General Meetings on 11 August 2021 and 20 October 2021, and the Special General Meeting on 10 November 2021. Broadly speaking, these constitutional amendments aimed to remove errors and inconsistencies in the Constitution, expand membership to LPAB students studying on the University of Sydney campus to allow them to benefit from the vast array of opportunities offered by SULLS, allow for virtual meetings to adapt to the current climate, increase the accessibility and transparency of the electoral system and introduce a Disabilities Officer to the Executive. I would like to acknowledge the hard work of the ad-hoc Constitutional Reform Committee which led what may have been the largest wholesale review of the SULLS Constitution in recent years, in consultation with past Electoral Officers, the 2021 Executive and other members of the SULLS community.



I would also like to thank everyone involved in establishing the Disabilities Officer position.

SULS as an organisation works best when it listens to its members and remains connected and relevant with its membership base. Our ability to initiate such reforms in 2021 is a testament to the consultative approach that was adopted from the very beginning of the process and the ability to leverage the knowledge and strengths of our membership base. I truly believe these constitutional and electoral reforms passed in 2021 will significantly increase the accessibility, transparency and efficiency of SULS and I hope these aims will continue to be upheld by whoever is at its helm. For more insight into the work of the committee and the constitutional reforms passed, I encourage you to peruse the (very long) minutes of the 2021 Special General meeting, held on 10 November 2021.

From a logistical perspective, SULS faced substantial challenges in 2021. In particular, it was impossible to run in-person events early in the year due to the USU's restrictions on in-person events. However, strong advocacy and negotiations by faculty societies with the USU resulted in the development of an event registration process and guidelines so that societies could run events in a COVID-safe manner. COVID has paradoxically taught us that our event plans need to be thoroughly decided and costed well in advance, yet we also need to be prepared to change plans at the last minute, as the socials and campus portfolios would be all too familiar with. I would like to thank the Executive for readily adapting to the ever-changing rules with good humour and a proactive attitude and for bearing with many long Slack posts on my part!

I would like to give a special mention to Wendy for her leadership and support in helping to catalyse remarkable reforms to our governing documents and elections and to everyone who has helped me proofread minutes and emails. I know Wendy has been singing the praises of all of the 2021 Executive members, but it would be remiss not to acknowledge the amazing work she has done to lead the Society in such a challenging year. She has done incredible work in furthering SULS' advocacy efforts, both internally and externally, and successfully continued the work of the 2020 Executive in building alumni relationships with the Law School to provide opportunities for our members. I personally would not have been able to carry out my duties as Secretary without her support and assistance and I am deeply appreciative to her for always being there for me and for the entire Executive.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the hard work, adaptability and resilience of the 2021 SULS Executive. We thought we had put the days of Zoom university behind us,



but instead had more lockdowns and screen time than we would ever want. In some ways, this on-again, off-again volatility made 2021 even more logistically challenging than 2020. With merch sales put on hold due to LGA travel restrictions, publications being delivered to Justin's home and social events that kept being cancelled just hours beforehand because of COVID outbreaks, it sometimes felt like the cards we had been dealt were designed to test our patience. The way in which the Executive supported each other by attending and promoting events, assisting with last-minute logistics and providing moral support to each other is a testament to their passion and dedication.

To the 2022 Executive, I hope that you will continue to do what SULLS does best - provide incredible opportunities to students, advocate for student interests and support students throughout their law school journey. SULLS has made great strides in broadening its work and becoming more accessible and transparent, while keeping student interests at the core of everything it does. I also hope for the sake of everyone's sanity and health that COVID becomes less severe and throws fewer roadblocks in your plans. Best of luck!

Alison Chen
2021 SULLS Secretary



APPENDIX D -

IMMEDIATE PAST TREASURER'S REPORT - TIANA DUMANOVSKY

1. The SULLS 2021 Exec was delighted to be able to plan and host events for students throughout the year (including the long-awaited Law Cruise) after 2020 saw an abrupt halt due to COVID-19.
2. **After the difficulties faced in 2020, the 2021 Exec made it their goal to ensure that SULLS gave BACK to students in 2021.** This included considerable subsidisation of ticket prices for events, arranging for the posting of equity textbooks to students unable to attend campus, lots of new merchandise and amping up financial grants throughout the year.
3. As can be seen from the SULLS 2020 financial statements (remember, to get the full picture you must also look at the financial statements ended 30 June 2020 before SULLS incorporated), the **2020 financial year** saw SULLS make a large **profit of 68k** to be utilised. This was due, in part, to a large amount of sponsorship being received and very minimal expenses for events given COVID-19.
4. In 2021, socials did a fantastic job of ensuring that students had a restored sense of community. Huge shoutout for their new event Law Carnival!
5. In 2021, Law Ball and Final Year Dinner went considerably over budget. Two factors which contributed to the loss on these events included that the SULLS Exec:
 - a. ensured that RAT tests were available to students at the door, given NSW Guidelines; and
 - b. **made it a priority to greatly subsidise tickets to ensure that as many students as possible would be able to take part in these events.**
6. Although these events and subsidisations meant that SULLS did not make a profit in the 2021 financial year (total loss of 5.3k), the 2021 Exec were thrilled to have been able to offset this loss against the 68k made in the 2020. It has always **been SULLS' goal to prioritise student needs**. The 2021 Exec is pleased to have given back, whilst still ensuring that SULLS remains in a prosperous position to provide for future years.
7. The investment project did not go ahead sadly as mentioned by Wendy in her report. Sending the best of luck to Julia this year to potentially kick this off!



**APPENDIX E -
SULS 2022 OPERATING BUDGET**



SULS OPERATING BUDGET 2022
Financial Report
Sydney University Law Society 2022
 As at 19 April 2022

TOTAL SURPLUS / DEFICIT (\$) **28,609.16**

Description	Per Item (\$)	#	BUDGET		Notes
			Total (\$)	GST (\$)	
INCOME					
Funding					
Sponsorship	170,000.00	1.00	170,000.00	15,454.55	Increase sponsorship income from FY21
Faculty Donation	20,000.00	1.00	20,000.00	1,818.18	\$20,000 received from Walter Reid Memorial Fund, Faculty Funding proposals for other portfolios (Competitions) have been submitted
USU Funding	1,300.00	2.00	2,600.00	236.36	2 x USU bi-annual large society grants
Student Life Grant	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	
Total			192,600.00	17,509.09	
General Income					
Merchandise Sales	30,000.00	1.00	30,000.00	2,727.27	Based on sales up to FY22
Total			30,000.00	2,727.27	
Portfolio Income					
Campus Portfolio Income	600.00	1.00	600.00	54.55	Based on conservative estimates
Careers Portfolio Income	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	
Competitions Portfolio Income	24,050.00	1.00	24,050.00	2,186.36	Based on conservative estimates for Competitions Dinner
Socials Portfolio Income	214,710.00	1.00	214,710.00	19,519.09	Based on conservative estimates
Total			239,360.00	21,760.00	
Sub-total Income			461,960.00	41,996.36	
GST Credits				39,085.45	
TOTAL INCOME			501,045.45		
EXPENDITURE					
Portfolio Expenditure					
Campus Portfolio	6,420.00	1.00	6,420.00	583.64	Includes cost of Headspace subscriptions
Careers Portfolio	15,000.00	1.00	15,000.00	1,363.64	Increase to account for more in-person initiatives
Competitions Portfolio	45,070.00	1.00	45,070.00	4,097.27	Increase to account for more in-person (intersarsity and international) initiatives
Disabilities Portfolio	1,200.00	1.00	1,200.00	109.09	All autonomous portfolios maintained or increased to receive same amount
Designs Portfolio	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	Will be prescribed on an ad hoc basis
Education Portfolio	2,100.00	1.00	2,100.00	190.91	Increase to account for more in-person initiatives
Equity Portfolio	20,000.00	1.00	20,000.00	1,818.18	Takes into account renewed 2022 Walter Reid Memorial Fund donation
Ethnocultural Portfolio	1,200.00	1.00	1,200.00	109.09	All autonomous portfolios maintained or increased to receive same amount
First Nations Portfolio	1,200.00	1.00	1,200.00	109.09	All autonomous portfolios maintained or increased to receive same amount
International Portfolio	1,200.00	1.00	1,200.00	109.09	All autonomous portfolios maintained or increased to receive same amount
Marketing Portfolio	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	Will be prescribed on an ad hoc basis
Publications Portfolio	18,000.00	1.00	18,000.00	1,636.36	Increase to account for new publications and increase in paper printing
Queen Portfolio	1,200.00	1.00	1,200.00	109.09	All autonomous portfolios maintained or increased to receive same amount
Social Justice Portfolio	5,000.00	1.00	5,000.00	454.55	Increase to account for new initiatives including Ramadan Iftar dinner
Socials Portfolio	244,250.00	1.00	244,250.00	22,204.55	
Sports Portfolio	3,500.00	1.00	3,500.00	318.18	
Womens Portfolio	1,200.00	1.00	1,200.00	109.09	All autonomous portfolios maintained or increased to receive same amount
Total			366,540.00	33,321.82	
General Expenditure					
Merchandise Expenditure	30,000.00	1.00	30,000.00	2,727.27	
Subscription fees (MYOB/Xero, Slack, Mailchimp)	2,500.00	1.00	2,500.00	227.27	
Accounting fees	6,000.00	1.00	6,000.00	545.45	
Office Expenditure	2,000.00	1.00	2,000.00	181.82	
Capital Expenditure	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	
Welcome Events & Handover	1,500.00	1.00	1,500.00	136.36	
SULS Election	500.00	1.00	500.00	0.00	
Previous Years Expenditure	1,000.00	1.00	1,000.00	90.91	
Miscellaneous Expenditure	3,500.00	1.00	3,500.00	318.18	COVID expenses, non-portfolio initiatives e.g. Alumni Speaker Event series
Bank Charges	2.50	1.00	2.50	0.23	
Total			47,002.50	4,227.50	
ALSA					
ALSA Membership Fees	600.00	1.00	600.00	54.55	
ALSA March Council Registrations	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	
ALSA March Council Flights	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	
ALSA July Conference/Comps Registrations	955.00	10.00	9,550.00	868.18	Based on 2019 figures
ALSA July Conference/Comps Flights	3,627.42	1.00	3,627.42	329.77	Based on 2019 figures
ALSA Dec Council Registration & Flights	1,560.00	2.00	3,120.00	283.64	Based on 2019 figures
Total			16,897.42	1,536.13	
Sub-total Expenditure			430,439.92	39,085.45	
GST Debits				41,996.36	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE			472,436.28		



**APPENDIX F -
AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31
DECEMBER 2021**



Simaco Partners

**SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY
INCORPORATED**

ABN 49 844 560 526

FINANCIAL REPORT

For the year ended 31 December 2021

Prepared by
Simaco Partners Pty Ltd

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SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED

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FINANCIAL REPORT

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SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED

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COMMITTEE'S REPORT

Your executive committee members present their report on the SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED for the period ended 31/12/2021.

The names of the executive committee members in office at the date of this report are:

President / Office Bearer : Mr Benjamin Hines

Secretary : Mr Eden McSheffrey

Treasurer / Public Officer : Ms Julia Tran

Equity Officer: Ms Yijun Cui

Above said members have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the economic entity during the financial year were "Other Interest Group Services n.e.c.".

Significant Changes

No significant changes in the nature of these activities occurred during the financial year.

Operating Results

The net surplus/(deficit) of the economic entity for the financial year amounted to (\$5,318.62).

Auditor's Independence Declaration

A copy of the Auditor's Independence Declaration as required under section 60-40 of the Australian Charities and Non-for-profits Commission Act 2012 is attached to this financial report and forms part of the committee's report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the members of the executive committee:

Executive Committee Members:



President / Office Bearer : Mr Benjamin Hines



Secretary : Mr Eden McSheffrey



Treasurer / Public Officer : Ms Julia Tran



Equity Officer: Ms Yijun Cui

Dated : 24/03/2022

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED

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BALANCE SHEET

As at 31 December 2021

	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
CURRENT ASSETS			
Receivables	2	31,730.00	910.00
Cash assets	3	279,224.67	320,779.83
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>310,954.67</u>	<u>321,689.83</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>310,954.67</u>	<u>321,689.83</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Interest bearing liabilities	4	3,120.00	3,090.00
Tax liabilities	5	(5,502.54)	(56.00)
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>(2,382.54)</u>	<u>3,034.00</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>(2,382.54)</u>	<u>3,034.00</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>313,337.21</u>	<u>318,655.83</u>
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		17,389.45	22,708.07
Other equity	6	295,947.76	295,947.76
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>313,337.21</u>	<u>318,655.83</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.
These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED

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STATEMENT OF INCOMES & EXPENSES

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Firm Sponsorship	157,340.91	9,204.56
Faculty Funding	-	692.64
Merchandise Sales	13,058.63	12,138.17
Socials Portfolio Income - Final Year Dinner	27,327.28	21,390.90
Competitions Portfolio- Competitions Dinner Ticket Sales	1,390.91	899.99
Equity Portfolio Income - Textbook Loan Scheme	-	718.18
Donation	20,452.76	21,288.25
Ethnocultural Portfolio Art Initiative	1,377.27	-
JD1 Drinks	363.64	-
Law Ball	97,010.07	-
Law Cruise	18,044.15	-
Welcome Week Party	4,114.55	-
Law Carnival	1,154.55	-
USU Funding	2,363.64	-
Campus Portfolio Income - Other Income	100.02	-
Socials Portfolio Income - Other	3,639.85	-
	347,738.23	66,332.69
EXPENDITURE		
ALSA	463.64	-
Accounting fees	3,780.00	2,980.00
Admin - Accounting software (Xero, MYOB)	424.08	406.28
Admin - Mailchimp	1,101.09	888.89
Admin - Slack	318.98	-
Auditor Fee	800.00	600.00
Bad debt expenses	-	100.00
Bank charges	(0.67)	3.27
Campus Portfolio Expenditure	5,687.71	-
Careers Mentoring Program	1,867.15	-
Careers Portfolio Expenditure - Other	6,001.75	-
Competitions Portfolio - Competitions Dinner	7,000.00	4,770.46
Competitions Portfolio - Intervarsity Competitions	-	227.27
Competitions Portfolio - Other	1,924.40	1,935.50
Competitions Portfolio - International Competitions	917.58	(5,741.91)
Competitions Portfolio - Women's Mooting Program	25.63	26.15
Competitions Portfolio Expenditure - Introductory Serie	432.39	-
Competitions Portfolio Expenditure - Women's Mooting Program	-	300.64
Education Portfolio Expenditure	203.09	46.60
Equity Portfolio Expenditure - Financial Grants	1,452.13	768.12
Equity Portfolio Expenditure - Other	54.36	-
Equity Portfolio Expenditure - Textbook Loan Scheme	5,773.66	1,518.56
Ethnocultural Portfolio Expenditure	123.26	291.79

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SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED

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STATEMENT OF INCOMES & EXPENSES

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
International Portfolio Expenditure	136.36	-
JD1 Drinks	3,850.00	-
Law Ball	166,897.92	-
Law Camp	13,520.00	-
Law Cruise	9,886.36	-
Law Revue	5,000.00	-
Marketing Portfolio Expenditure	483.56	324.14
Merchandise Expenditure - Inventory	9,860.00	11,495.00
Merchandise Expenditure - Other	2,853.67	1,563.63
Office Expenditure	1,561.30	595.35
Publications Portfolio Expenditure	14,212.33	7,918.16
Queer Portfolio Expenditure	210.17	-
SULS Election	-	398.50
SULS Sub-committees	422.73	-
Social Justice Portfolio Expenditure - Competitions	131.76	33.09
Social Justice Portfolio Expenditure - JJMS	387.81	534.23
Social Justice Portfolio Expenditure - RLTP	136.55	-
Socials Portfolio Expenditure - Exec Retreat	2,000.00	-
Socials Portfolio Expenditure - Final Year Dinner	57,413.36	10,783.79
Socials Portfolio Expenditure - Other	24,089.89	-
Socials Portfolio Expenditure - Welcome Week Party	1,646.44	10.91
Sport Portfolio Expenditure	85.46	47.27
Welcome Events & Handover Expenditure	(79.05)	448.84
Womens Portfolio Expenditure	-	350.09
	353,056.85	43,624.62
LOSS FROM ORDINARY ACTIVITIES	(5,318.62)	22,708.07
Retained profit at the beginning of the financial year	22,708.07	-
TOTAL AVAILABLE FOR APPROPRIATION	17,389.45	22,708.07

These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

As at 31 December 2021

	2021 \$	2020 \$
Total equity at the beginning of the financial year	318,655.83	0.00
Profit attributable to members	(5,318.62)	22,708.07
Transactions with equity holders		
Contributed Funds	-	295,947.76
Total equity at the end of the financial year	<u>313,337.21</u>	<u>318,655.83</u>

These statements should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2021

2021	2020
\$	\$

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

- a. The Committee have prepared the financial statements on the basis that Sydney University Law Society (the Association) is a non-reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. These statements are therefore special purpose financial statements that have been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the Australian Charities and Not-for profits Commission Act 2012. The Association is a not-for-profit entity for financial reporting purposes under Australian Accounting Standards.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the mandatory Australian Accounting Standards applicable to medium registered entities reporting under the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 and the significant policies disclosed below, which the Committee have determined are appropriate to meet the needs of members. Such accounting policies are consistent with those of previous periods unless stated otherwise.

b. Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on accrual basis and are based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

c. Accounting Policies

The following is a summary of the significant accounting policies adopted by the Association in the preparation of the financial report. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

1. Revenue Recognition

The financial statements have been prepared under the cash basis of accounting whereby all revenues and income from sponsorships and fundraising activities are recognised as income when they are received and expenses are recorded when they are paid.

2. Income Tax

The Association is exempt from income tax in terms of Section 50-10 (Community Service) of the Income Tax Assessment Act, 1997, as amended. Accordingly, no provision for income tax is required to be made.

3. Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenue, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of expense. Receivables and payables in the Balance Sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

d. Events after the reporting period

No matter or circumstance has arisen since the end of the financial year that has significantly affected, or may significantly affect the Association's operations, the results of those operations, or the Association's state of affairs in future financial years.

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
NOTE 2: RECEIVABLES		
Trade debtors	31,730.00	910.00
NOTE 3: CASH ASSETS		
Society Cheque Acct	279,224.67	320,779.83
NOTE 4: INTEREST BEARING LIABILITIES		
Equity Textbook Loan Scheme Deposit Account	3,120.00	3,090.00
NOTE 5: TAX LIABILITIES		
GST collected	2,855.46	82.73
GST paid - Adjustment	-	(82.73)
GST payments / refunds	(8,358.00)	(56.00)
	(5,502.54)	(56.00)
NOTE 6: OTHER EQUITY		
Contributed Funds	295,947.76	295,947.76

These notes should be read in conjunction with the attached compilation report.

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED

ABN 49 844 560 526

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

For the year ended 31 December 2021

	2021	2020
	\$	\$
Cash Flow from Operating Activities		
Operating surplus from operating activities	(5,319)	22,708
Adjusted for Non-cash flows in Operating surplus		
Depreciation and amortisation	-	-
Loss on sale of non-current assets	-	-
	<u>(5,319)</u>	<u>22,708</u>
Changes in assets and liabilities		
(Increase)/decrease in Receivables	(30,820)	(910)
Increase/(decrease) in Tax liabilities	(5,447)	(56)
Increase/(decrease) in Superannuation Payable	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in Employee deductions	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in Wages payable	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in Payables	30	3,090
Increase/(decrease) in Provision for holiday pay	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in Provision for personal leave	-	-
Increase/(decrease) in Provision for long service leave	-	-
	<u>(36,237)</u>	<u>2,124</u>
Net cash inflow from Operating Activities	<u>(41,555)</u>	<u>24,832</u>
Cash Flows from Investing Activities		
Payment of non-current assets	-	-
Proceeds from sale of non-current assets	-	-
Net Accumulated Earnings provided from Old Society	-	295,948
Net cash inflow/(outflow) from investing activities	<u>-</u>	<u>295,948</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held for the year	(41,555)	320,780
Cash at the beginning of the year	320,780	-
Cash at the end of the year	<u>279,225</u>	<u>320,780</u>

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AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

TO THE MEMBERS OF

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INC.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 60-40 of the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012*, I am pleased to provide the following Declaration of Independence to the Members of Sydney University Law Society Inc. As the auditor for the audit of the financial report of Sydney University Law Society Inc. for the year ended 31 December 2022, I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been no contraventions of:

- (i) the auditor independence requirements as set out in the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

Samuel Wong JP B. Com FCA
Chartered Accountant

PO Box 96, Burwood, NSW, 1805

Dated this 31st day of March 2022

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED

ABN 49 844 560 526

COMMITTEE MEMBER'S DECLARATION

The Committee have determined that SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED (the Association) is a non-reporting entity because there are no users dependent on general purpose financial statements. Accordingly, as described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the attached special purpose financial statements have been prepared for the purposes of complying with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012.

The Committee of the Association declare that, in the Committee's opinion:

1. The accompanying financial statements and notes are in accordance with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012 applicable to medium registered entities and
 - i. Comply with Australian Accounting Standards; and
 - ii. Gives a true and fair view of the financial position of the Association as at 31/12/2021 and of its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is signed in accordance with subs 60.15(2) of the Australian Charities and Not-for profits Commission Regulation 2013, for and on behalf of the Committee.:

Executive Committee Members :



President / Office Bearer : Mr Benjamin Hines



Secretary : Mr Eden McSheffrey



Treasurer / Public Officer : Ms Julia Tran



Equity Officer: Ms Yijun Cui

Dated : 24/03/2022

SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED

ABN 49 844 560 526

COMPILATION REPORT TO SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED

We have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements of SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED, which comprise the balance sheet as at 31/12/2021, the statement of profit or loss for the year then ended, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes. The specific purpose for which the special purpose financial statements have been prepared is set out in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The Responsibility of the Directors

The directors of SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INCORPORATED are solely responsible for the information contained in the special purpose financial statements, the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information and for the determination that the significant accounting policies used are appropriate to meet their needs and for the purpose that the financial statements were prepared.

Our Responsibility

On the basis of information provided by the directors, we have compiled the accompanying special purpose financial statements in accordance with the significant accounting policies as described in Note 1 to the financial statements and APES 315:Compilation of Financial Information. We have applied our expertise in accounting and financial reporting to compile these financial statements in accordance with the significant accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements. We have complied with the relevant ethical requirements of APES 110:Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants.


Assurance Disclaimer

Since a compilation engagement is not an assurance engagement, we are not required to verify the reliability, accuracy or completeness of the information provided to us by management to compile these financial statements. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion or a review conclusion on these financial statements.

The special purpose financial statements were compiled exclusively for the benefit of the directors who are responsible for the reliability, accuracy and completeness of the information used to compile them. We do not accept responsibility for the contents of the special purpose financial statements.

Name of Firm Simaco Partners Pty Ltd

Name of Partner



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Dated : 24/03/2022



Chair: Ben Hines

Minute taker: Eden McSheffrey

Signed 24 April 2022

Ben Hines
President, Sydney University Law Society Incorporated

Eden McSheffrey
Secretary, Sydney University Law Society Incorporated