



SYDNEY UNIVERSITY LAW SOCIETY INC.  
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Minutes of Executive Meeting held on: **31/10/2023**

Chair: **Naz Sharifi**

Minute taker: **Julia Lim**

Meeting opened: **7:20am**

**Present:**

Alice Shan	Design Director
Annika Lee	Marketing Director
Brianna Ho	Women's Officer
Charis Chiu	Publications Director
Charmaine Lui	Vice President (Social Justice)
Christine Aung	Competitions Director
Danielle Tweedale	Competitions Director
Emily Wooding	First Nations Officer
Julia Lim	Secretary
Kaela Goldsmith	Campus Director
Lea Nguyen	International Student Officer
Maeve Cairns	Equity Officer
Mahmoud Al Rifai	Treasurer
Miesha Binta Noor	Ethnocultural Officer
Naz Sharifi	President
Nick Leavenworth	Sports Director
Niveditha Sethumadhavan	Socials Director
Priya Mehra	Socials Director
Rohan Shankar	Queer Officer
Vaughan Marega	Vice President (Careers)

**Apologies:** Arasa Hardie, Lucas Kao, Vivien Lu



## MINUTES

### 1 Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed attendees to the meeting and delivered an Acknowledgement of Country. Apologies were received from Lucas Kao, Arasa Hardie, Vivien Lu.

**Motion:** To accept the apologies received from Lucas Kao, Arasa Hardie and Vivien Lu for the Executive Meeting taking place on 31 October 2023.

Moved: Naz Sharifi

Seconded: Christine Aung

The motion carried unanimously with zero abstentions.

### 2 Procedural matters

**Motion:** That the public minutes from the Executive Meeting held 24 October 2023 be approved as a correct and accurate record of the meeting.

Moved: Naz Sharifi

Seconded: Brianno Ho

The motion carried unanimously with zero abstentions.

**Motion:** That the in camera minutes from the Executive Meeting held 24 October 2023 be approved as a correct and accurate record of the meeting, but maintaining that the minutes themselves will remain in camera and confidential.

Moved: Naz Sharifi

Seconded: Nicholas Leavenworth

The motion was carried unanimously with zero abstentions.

The following circular motion was approved via email on 24 October 2023.

**Motion:** The SULLS 2023 Executive accept and endorse the selection of Faculty for the LLB (Ben Hines) and JD (Clare Veal) Valedictorians.

The motion was carried unanimously with six abstentions.

### 3 Last week updates/shoutouts

- Naz congratulated and gave a shoutout to every person who has put their name forward for the role of SULLS President or any other executive role. Naz said that any person who got up would do an incredible job of the role.
- Nicholas shouted out Naz for keeping this wild bunch together for a year.
- Christine shouted out Julia for taking minutes at every meeting, and Danielle for being the best Competitions co-Director to ever exist.



- Christine and Kaela shouted out Priya and Niveditha for a fantastic Final Year Dinner and Socials events overall this year.
- Julia, Christine and Kaela shouted out the whole executive for being absolutely incredible this year.
- Danielle shouted out Maeve for all her work behind the scenes as Equity Officer this year, and Naz said she could attest to this as well.

#### 4 What's on this week

No events or initiatives were raised.

#### 5 Portfolio Updates

Naz noted that SULLS elections are coming up, which means that a lot of conversations and meetings will be happening. Naz said she was determined to ensure that all executives stayed respectful of each other at all times. Naz reiterated that she was very proud of every person who was running, and reminded them to ensure that campaigning or any election preparation does not occur within the SULLS Office space. Naz also reminded outgoing executives to be mindful of any comments made about the election and or any candidates. Naz asked that any executives and their ticket members ensure they are not using SULLS resources in campaigning.

Naz explained that she would be working to ensure that the SULLS and USU matter does not rollover to the next executive's term. Naz noted that the newest constitutional amendments regarding the elections from the SGM had thankfully been approved by the USU. Naz reminded executives to please complete executive handover documents by 15 November, ensuring that all information and advice is included. Naz said that a group executive handover would likely occur as well between the outgoing and incoming executives.

Naz said that an executive clean up will happen of the SULLS Office in the next few weeks, to ensure each portfolio's items are tidied and the space is ready for next year's executives. Naz also reminded executives to complete Semester 2 reports before 20 November, and to submit any reimbursement forms as well as updating budgets accordingly. Naz finally thanked all executives for taking on their SULLS roles with so much dedication, kindness and diligence. Naz thanked all the executives and their committee. Naz gave a very lovely thank you speech as menace-in-chief.

Niveditha noted that everything was done, and that Socials has had a really good year of events which everybody enjoyed, and said that her advice for next year's executives would be to have fun throughout the whole process. Niveditha thanked all Wellbeing Officers, executives who were supportive during the year, and also thanked Priya.

Julia reminded executives to take note of the office cleaning roster this week. Julia also thanked the executives for their incredible work this year, and explained that it was a pleasure to review everyone's achievements and work through the minutes and SULLS Weekly each week.



## 6 Equity Funding for SULLS Elections

Naz raised an idea on Cole's behalf regarding the availability of equity grants being made available for SULLS executive election candidates, noting that it would require a constitutional amendment to be enacted. Naz explained that with the Equity portfolio's current ambit, they could not provide tickets with funding. Naz noted that had executives turned their minds to the matter earlier, it could have been passed at the Special General Meeting. Naz noted that

**Motion:** To waive conflicts of interest for potential candidates of SULLS Executive 2024 to be present for conversation.

Moved: Naz Sharifi

Seconded: Julia Lim

The motion carried with zero abstentions.

Naz clarified for Mahmoud that the USU had been raised as an example of providing funding for election candidates and that the Electoral Officer, Cole, had been interested in hearing the executives' thoughts on this idea. Naz noted that it was a wonderful idea that next year's executives could consider, noting that where possible we want to lower the bar of entry to running for SULLS. Naz confirmed for Niveditha that \$750 is the current limit for each ticket's spending.

Dani raised the objects of the Constitution, noting the importance of making it accessible for anyone to run for executive positions. Naz agreed that it is important for people to be able to get involved. Julia agreed that although this could not be enacted in time for this year's elections, the SULLS executives could recommend this for next year's executives to put into action through constitutional amendment.

## 7 Other Business

No other business was raised.

Meeting closed: **8:00am**