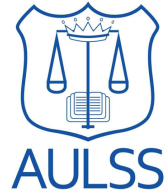


Adelaide University Law Students' Society Inc.

Minutes: Special General Meeting



Date: 26/07/21

Meeting Opened: 6:08pm

Meeting Closed: 7:24pm

Location: Zoom – as a result of South Australian COVID-19 lockdown

Meeting called by: Annabel Bramley

Minutes taken by: Annabel Bramley

Present (38):

1. Peter Tantalos*
2. Annabel Bramley*
3. Imogen Tonkin*
4. Chelsea Chieng*
5. Catherine Chhour^
6. Chloe Winter^
7. Kirsty McGinlay^
8. Theodora Sevastidis
9. Leon Kasperski*
10. Anthony Luppino^
11. Bella Mickan^ (joined at 6:24pm)
12. Bhavna Gupta^
13. Felix Eldridge^
14. George Komninos^
15. Nicolas Rich*
16. Annie Yuan^
17. Christiana Michaels^
18. Sophie Tait^
19. Jenny Jung^
20. Olivia Edmonds^
21. Aryan Banerjee^
22. Kellie Elmes*
23. Celena Le^
24. Hannah Jung^
25. Riki Theodorakakos^
26. Yihui Ng^
27. Shiv Gandhi^
28. Nadeesha Indigahawela*
29. Bryan Lau^
30. IkhwanFazli Bin Adi Bokharee^
31. Jessica March
32. Olivia Higgins
33. Kane Mcaskill
34. Divya Narayan*
35. Aditi Tamhankar^
36. Alexander Arthur^
37. Madeline Ellis^
38. Zeyang Wang (joined at 6:50pm)

*Member of the AULSS Executive
^Members of the Committee

Valid apologies (0): 0

Invalid apologies (0): 0

Not present without notice (0): 0

Notice

In accordance with clause 37 of the Constitution, notice for this Special General Meeting ('SGM') was provided on Friday 2 July 2021 following consultation with the President. An Agenda, Report (including the proposed amendments) and other related documents for the SGM, including the:

- 2020/2021 Constitution which includes the amendments passed at the 2020 SGM;
- 2019/2020 Constitution which includes the amendments passed at the 2019 SGM;
- *Associations Incorporations Act 1985 (SA)*, which is the authority the AULSS Constitution is guided by;
- 2020 SGM Agenda and Report; and
- 2020 SGM Minutes

...were circulated on Thursday 15 July 2021.

Quorum

There were 37 AULSS Committee members as at the date of the SGM. The minimum number of members required to reach quorum was therefore 20. In accordance with clause 21(3) of the Constitution, there being 36 members present (including at least two members of the Executive), quorum was present when the SGM opened.

Chairperson

In accordance with clause 23(1) of the Constitution, the President acted as Chairperson.

Executive reports

No request was made for Executive reports to be provided.

Agenda Items

Item: Statement of Acknowledgement of Country	
Presented by	Peter Tantalos and Annabel Bramley
Discussion	<p>Peter: These minutes should be read in conjunction with the 2021 SGM Agenda, Report and other related documents (attached).</p> <p>Welcome everyone to the Special General Meeting (SGM) of the 2021 AULSS. This has been called for the purpose approving proposed constitutional changes to bring the AULSS Constitution in line with the <i>Association Incorporations Act 1985 (SA)</i> (the Act) and to modernise other areas of the Constitution. As we are all subject to ‘stay-at-home’ directions as a result of COVID-19, I am using my discretion as President to allow attendance for the purposes of reaching quorum pursuant to clause 21(4) of the AULSS Constitution.</p> <p>Annabel: Thank you so much to everyone for attending this SGM online. We hope that everyone is doing okay during this lockdown. We will try and make this meeting as painless as possible, but there are some important amendments that we need to make and some topics that we need to discuss. Peter and I would really appreciate your patience throughout the meeting. If you could also please make sure that you have your cameras for the purposes of voting we would really appreciate it.</p> <p><i>The remaining members present who did not have their cameras on then turned them on.</i></p> <p>Thank you everyone.</p> <p>Peter: I will now read an Acknowledgment of Country. The Adelaide University Law Students’ Society (AULSS) would like to acknowledge that the land we meet on today is the traditional lands of the Kaurna people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their Country. We also acknowledge the Kaurna people as the traditional custodians of the Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kaurna people today.</p>

Item: Minutes and issues from the Special General Meeting held on 14/09/20	
Presented by	Peter Tantalos
Discussion	<p>Before we get started, I want to explain the position we have found ourselves in and the reason why we have made the decision to hold our annual SGM earlier than it is typically held.</p> <p>Last year, the previous AULSS Committee held a SGM in which they passed a series of changes to the Constitution. The handover from the previous Vice-President/ Public Officer to myself and Annabel did not occur smoothly. The lack of a smooth and timely handover, resulting from a lack of communication and cooperation from the prior Vice President/Public officer, led to a significant delay in the lodgement of</p>

the Constitution for registration by Consumer and Business Services (CBS).

This significant delay meant that the earliest date we could lodge the Constitution was February. After some time, CBS advised us that we would potentially not know the outcome of registering the 2020 Constitution for seven-eight weeks due to a delay in processing times as a result of COVID-19.

On the 1st of June 2021, we received correspondence from CBS that the Constitution that we had lodged in February did not comply with the requirements of the Act. This was based on four points:

1. Clause 6(1) of the AULSS Constitution was inconsistent with section 39B(1) of the Act.
2. The Constitution did not contain rules with sufficient particularity and certainty on who manages or controls the funds and other property of the Society as required by section 23A(1)(c)(vi) of the Act.
3. More information was required on the SGM minutes of the meeting supplied, that being the SGM minutes from last year's committee; and
4. There was insufficient information on what Amendment 18 was in the previous SGM minutes.

As you can see, two of these points relate to deficiencies of the Constitution to meet legislative requirements and two relate to deficiencies in the SGM minutes and information from the 2020 AULSS Vice-President/Public Officer.

For reasons unknown, these legislative requirements were not identified upon the registration of the Constitution in previous years and thus, the task now falls on this Committee to ensure compliance with the Act.

Before we get into the proposed changes to the constitution for this year, there is a preliminary matter we need to address regarding the SGM minutes of the last SGM, which was held on 14 September 2020.

CBS has advised us that they would like confirmation on what these minutes are, as they are not satisfied with sufficient certainty if it was just a Committee Meeting or a Special General Meeting. We have circulated those minutes to you in advance to look at. I should also note that it is typical practice of the AULSS to only do Constitutional changes at Special General Meetings. Does anyone have any questions about what type of meeting it was or have any comment to make about the nature of the meeting?

The members of the AULSS present at this meeting did not raise any questions pertaining to the type or nature of the meeting.

	<p>In addition, the 2020 SGM minutes incorrectly stated that 34 people were present when there were only 33. The incorrect quorum was also relied upon. Clause 21(1) was cited when in fact should have been clause 21(3), as it was a Special General Meeting. I will be amending the minutes to reflect the correct quorum number and clause relied on. This was advised by CBS as a course of action, however I would like it approved by the voting members before I proceed.</p> <p>Therefore, I would like to move that:</p>
Motion	<i>The members of the AULSS confirm that the Minutes that were posted to CBS for registration on 12/02/21 are the minutes of a Special General Meeting and were the minutes of the Special General Meeting held on 14 September 2020. The members of the AULSS also approve the amendment to the 14 September 2020 SGM minutes to correct the number of people present at that SGM and to correct the clause number relied upon for quorum.</i>
Moved by	Peter Tantalos
Carried by	Divya Narayan
Votes	<p>In favour: all present (37)</p> <p>Against: zero (0)</p> <p>Abstaining: zero (0)</p>
Conclusion	<i>The motion carries.</i>

Item: Proposed constitutional amendments

Presented by	Peter Tantalos and Annabel Bramley
Discussion	<p>Peter: I trust every voting member and committee member in attendance has read the SGM papers. When explaining each proposed change, I will highlight any notable additions or changes to the Constitution. However, I will presume each member has read the SGM Report and, as such, I will not go into depth of reasons for changes which merely deal with formatting or grammatical corrections. If we are proposing a change to a clause that changes its meaning or function that will be explained.</p> <p>For example, a proposed amendment (which I will get to a bit later) is to add a clause in for First Year Election Co-option. The addition of this clause will have the effect of shifting down each clause number of every clause in the Constitution that follows. As I explain proposed changes throughout this meeting, something significant such as the addition of a clause I will explain, but mere formatting requirements of the Constitution I will assume you have read the particulars of and will not turn much attention to explaining them.</p> <p>I will be passing each change <i>en bloc</i> according to each Part of the Constitution. This means that each change within a particular Part of the Constitution will be accepted all at once. For example, a motion might read “The AULSS accepts the proposed changes No. 1-5 to Part 1 of the AULSS Constitution”. This will make the process a lot</p>

more efficient and ensure we are not here for hours. Does anyone have any questions about this before we proceed with the rest of the meeting? Is this ok with everyone?

No one had any questions relating to this. Everyone signalled through nodding and putting their thumbs up they were okay with this. No one verbalised or signalled that they were not okay with this.

Thank you. I will not get started.

Annabel: Peter before we proceed, may I please suggest that given the time limit we have been given on this basic Zoom account, we 'end this meeting for all' and open back up again. This way we won't be asked to leave the meeting while we are in the middle of voting on a Constitutional change.

Nadeesha: Annabel do you know that through the University you can get more than a 40-minute session? Did you want to create a new link for the meeting for us to enter so we don't have to keep exiting and re-entering?

Annabel: Oh, for some reason that doesn't come up on my university account. Peter, what do you think?

Peter: That is a great idea, Annabel. I think that because we have published our SGM details using this Zoom link we should keep it as such so that non-Committee members are able to easily find the link and join. As such, let's continue using the same link. I hereby declare the SGM paused at 6:18pm for the purposes of re-joining to continue with the meeting.

The SGM was paused at 6:18pm. Members left the meeting and re-joined via the same Zoom link.

Members re-joined the meeting via the same Zoom link.

Thank you everyone for re-joining. I hereby declare the SGM resumed at 6:20pm.

CONTENTS AND PART 1 – PRELIMINARY

Amendment 1

The proposed Amendment 1 (Change No. 1) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.1.

Peter: This change hyperlinks the Contents section of the AULSS Constitution, making it easier to navigate.

Amendments 2-6

The proposed Amendments 2-6 (Change No. 2-6) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.2-6.

Peter: These changes are to amend clause 4, the ‘Interpretation’ section. This includes a change to substitute the terms ‘Indigenous’ and ‘Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander’ with ‘Aboriginal’ to reflect appropriate cultural terminology; to substitute the use of ‘he or she lives’ in the definition of ‘Indigenous’ with ‘they live’ to reflect common drafting practices of neutral language. Changes 5 and 6 refer to formatting requirements.

Annabel: Does anyone have any questions about these amendments?

Peter: If you don’t mind Annabel, I will ask if the members have any questions at the end of each Part, unless we are looking at a change that is more major?

Annabel: Oh of course. My apologies. That’s a great idea. Continue.

Peter: What I might do, is share my screen with everyone so as I am explaining the changes, I can have the SGM Report up live.

Peter and Annabel then spent a couple of minutes setting this up on Zoom. Peter then shared his screen so that he could explain the changes with the SGM Report acting as an aid.

Amendments 7-9

The proposed Amendments 7-9 (Change No. 7-9) were presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.7-9.

Bella Mickan joined the meeting at 6:24pm.

Peter: These changes all relate to bringing clause 6 of the Constitution in line with section 39B(1) and (2) of *Associations Incorporations Act 1985 (SA)*, which it was otherwise inconsistent with.

Section 39B(1) of the Act states that no provision in the rules indemnifying any officer of any liability to the association that by law would otherwise attach to him or her in respect to any negligence, default, breach of duty or breach of trust of which he or she may be guilty of in relation to the association, may be valid.

Section 39B(2) of the Act only allows indemnity for a liability incurred by an officer in defending any proceedings, whether civil or criminal, in which judgment is given in his or her favour or in which he or she is acquitted.

To make clause 6 compliant with the Act, we have removed the wording in clause 6(1), as it directly conflicted with s 39B(1) of the Act. We then replaced the old clause 6(1) wording and directly replicated the wording of Section 39B(2) for the new Clause 6(1).

To bring the rest of clause 6 in line with the amended clause 6(1), we deleted clause 6(2) in its entirety and thus the old clause 6(3) becomes the new clause 6(2) and the old clause 6(4) becomes the new clause

6(3). Everything has shifted up one due to the deletion of the old clause 6(2).

We also removed the term ‘compensation’ from the new clauses 6(2) and 6(3) to reflect its absence in section 39B of the *Associations Incorporations Act 1985 (SA)*.

Unless anyone has any questions, I will proceed to put these amendments (Change No. 1-9) to vote without changes.

No one had any questions about these changes.

[Amendments 1-9 were put to a vote without changes]

PART 2 - MEMBERSHIP

Amendment 10

The proposed Amendment 10 (Change No. 10) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.10.

Peter: This is a change to add the word ‘Adelaide’ to the end of the phrase in clause 12(1)(a), to reflect that a member of the AULSS must be a University of Adelaide student.

Amendment 11

The proposed Amendment 11 (Change No. 11) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.11.

Peter: This change removes the phrase ‘with the University or the Law Society of South Australia’. This clarifies that it is not only people who are completing the Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice at those two institutions who are ineligible to be a member of the Society, but rather anyone completing their Graduate Diploma of Legal Practice (who is not concurrently completing their Bachelor of Laws).

Amendment 12

The proposed Amendment 12 (Change No. 12) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.12.

Peter: This is a change to clause 13(2) to remove the reference to the ‘Competitions Code of Conduct’ (which is no longer used by the Competitions Portfolio) and replace the phrase with the words ‘with the rules of each competition as defined by the Competitions Portfolio’. Each AULSS competition now has its own conduct rules specific to that competition and is provided to participants of each competition prior to commencing the competition.

Unless anyone has any questions about Change No. 10-12, I will proceed to put these amendments to vote without changes.

No one had any questions about these changes.

[Amendments 10-12 were put to a vote without changes]

PART 3 – THE COMMITTEE OF THE SOCIETY

Amendments 13-14

The proposed Amendment 13 -14 (Change No. 13-14) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.13-14.

Peter: These amendments include re-ordering the list in alphabetical order and changing the word ‘Indigenous’ to ‘Aboriginal’ to be in line with culturally safe terminology.

Amendment 15

The proposed Amendment 15 (Change No. 15) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.15.

Peter: This amendment includes re-ordering clause 16 into alphabetical order by hierarchy of positions.

Amendment 16

The proposed Amendment 16 (Change No. 16) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.16.

Peter: I will explain this Change together with Change No. 31 and Change No. 48, as they are part of a package aimed at fulfilling the requirements under section 23A(1)(c)(vi) *Associations Incorporations Act 1985 (SA)* and addressing the concerns of CBS that the Constitution does ‘not contain rules with sufficient particularity and certainty on who manages or controls the funds and other property of the Society’.

By creating this package of changes, sufficient particularly and certainty is established through specific distinctions in Constitution powers and responsibilities.

Please note, that I will be referring to clause 42 throughout this discussion. This is currently clause 41 and relates to the Treasurer’s powers and duties. However, you will have noted that we intend to pass an amendment altering the numbering of the Constitution, which changes this clause to clause 42. I will also be referring to clause 56. This was previously clause 53, but for the same reason as above, is being referred as clause 56. Does this cause any confusion for anyone or am I able to proceed referring to it as such?

No one present expressed any confusion in this.

Thank you. I shall now continue.

Pursuant to Change No. 31, the Treasurer is provided with the express power and duties to manage, control, issue and authorise the management, control, and issue of receipts for all monies and finances of the Society in accordance with the Constitution. The amendment outlined in Change No. 31 is intended to create a distinction between the Executive’s powers under clause 17 and the Treasurer’s power under clause 42.

The Treasurer's power, pursuant to clause 42 relates to the management, control, authorisation and issue of receipts for all monies and finances of the Society. Clause 17, on the other hand, empowers the Executive to make decisions about the proper disbursement of Society monies, decide the costings of the activities/services offered by the Society, and pay all charges and expenses properly incurred by the Society.

Change No. 16, to amend clause 17(1)(c) and add clause 17(2), intends to make it clear that the Executive can only pay all charges and expenses properly incurred by the Society subject to Part 6 of the Constitution (which outlines that the Treasurer must approve any expenditure under 500 dollars). Otherwise, the Executive has the management and control of all other property of the Society, subject to clause 42(a).

As is emphasised, there is a distinction between the role of the Executive, which is a primarily decision-making body, and the Treasurer who is responsible for issuing receipts for all monies and finances of the society. Additionally, the words 'all other property' is intended to encompass all the other property which the Treasurer is not given responsibility for under their constitutional powers outlined in clause 42.

Further to this, pursuant to Change No. 48, any expense or exposure to a liability less than the prescribed amount must be approved by the Treasurer upon reasonable consultation with the President and be included in the Treasurer's report at the next Committee meeting. This was mentioned in brief above.

Annabel: The previous SGM did not change the wording from 'President' to 'Treasurer' after the addition of the Treasurer position. Both as members of the previous Executive, Peter and I recognise that that this was an oversight and may have provided some confusion. Peter will speak soon to the fact that we have left in Part 6 some oversight for the President.

Peter: Thank you Annabel. Yes, I will get to that shortly.

Continuing, the phrase 'must be approved by the Treasurer', directly reflect that the Treasurer has the power and duties to manage, control and issue, and authorise the management, control, and issue of, receipts for all monies and finances of the AULSS pursuant to Change No. 31. This Change No. 48 *also* directly reflects the remainder of clause 42 of the Constitution, which prescribes the Treasurer other financial and accounting powers and duties.

It is essential for the day-to-day business and functioning of the AULSS to have the flexibility created by clause 56, which provides for the issue of funds without approval of the majority of the Executive under the prescribed amount.

However, in consideration of the President's responsibilities pursuant to clause 40 (previously clause 39), and to prevent a situation where a Treasurer (who unlike the President need not have experience on the AULSS or in an Executive Director position) would unreasonably and unduly approve frivolous spending under the prescribed amount, the AULSS Executive wish to maintain an oversight/ check and balance for the issue of money specifically below the prescribed amount. Therefore, the phrase 'upon reasonable consultation with the President' has been incorporated into the proposed amendment under Change No. 48.

The requirement to have the issue of monies under the prescribed amount in the Treasurer's report further emphasises the responsibility of the Treasurer to have the management and control over the receipts of all monies and finances of the Society.

To summarise, this Change No. 16 is our response to the requirements under section 23A(1)(c)(vi) of the *Associations Incorporated Act* 1985 (SA) and addresses the concerns of CBS that the Constitution does not contain rules with sufficient particularity and certainty on who manages or controls the funds and other property of the Society. This amendment is part of a package of changes which CBS has advised us is required for CBS compliance. This Change No. 16 is read with the Change No. 31 and 48.

I understand that was quite a lot of information to take in. Does anyone have any questions about Change No.16 and the associated changes of 31 and 48?

Annabel: We are so happy to explain this further if need be. So, please do not hesitate to ask us a question.

Aryan: My apologies. You might have already mentioned it, but what about the other property of the society?

Peter: Thanks for asking Aryan. You'll see we have made that change by adding clause 17(2). This gives the Executive the powers to manage and control all other property of the Society.

Annabel: Does that make sense Aryan?

Aryan: Oh yes, thank you. All good!

Peter: Does anyone have any further questions about Change No. 16?

No one had any questions about these changes.

Amendments 17-20

The proposed Amendments 17-20 (Change No. 17-20) were presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.17-20.

Peter: These changes amend the grammar within clause 18 to make it more precise and accurate.

Amendment 21

The proposed Amendment 21 (Change No. 21) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.21.

Peter: This amendment is to add in a clause outlining a co-option process for First Year Representatives in the event that First Year Elections are unable to occur. For example, in the event that COVID-19 restrictions prevented student attendance on campus and thus, in-person voting (as is the current election process for all AULSS elections).

The co-option process outlined in clause 19 will be conducted and run by the Education Portfolio in line with the Education Portfolio's current powers to conduct and run the First Year Elections. However, the President will receive, collate and de-identify the applications before sending them to the Education Portfolio such that anonymity can be preserved and any bias in voting is avoided.

The original form of this amendment, labelled Amendment 18 in the 2020 SGM minutes, was drafted and passed by the 2020 Vice-President. However, it was not attached to the SGM minutes and no record of it was provided. By proposing this change, we as the AULSS are affirming that Amendment 18 in the 2020 SGM minutes was this clause, are re-affirming the decision by the previous Committee, and approving a change that Amendment 18 in the previous SGM minutes did not include.

CBS advised us that making this clarification could be done through an annexure or schedule to the previous SGM minutes. However, pursuant to our Constitution, any changes made must be passed at a general meeting. As we have not been able to locate the original wording for this amendment, the AULSS Executive would like to pass a version that is in the spirit of the original and affirm this properly in this years' SGM minutes.

I was the Director of Education last year and Annabel was the Director of Communications. As previous Executive members of the Society, this clause has been drafted to our best possible recollection.

I stress that this is process will only be enlivened in the instance that in-person First Year Elections cannot go ahead. For example, there would have to be a very good reason for in-person elections being unable to occur. It could not just be because the Education Portfolio could not be bothered to facilitate elections through the normal process.

Does anyone have any questions about Change No.13-21? Otherwise, I will proceed to put these amendments to vote without changes.

No one had anyone questions about Change No.13-21.

[Amendments 13-21 were put to a vote without changes]

PART 4 - MEETINGS

Amendments 22-26

The proposed Amendments 22-26 (Change No. 22-26) were presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.22-26.

Peter: These amendments all relate to formatting and grammatical corrections.

If everyone is happy with these grammatical corrections, I will proceed to put these amendments to a vote without changes.

The Members of the AULSS signalled through nodding and 'thumbs-up' that they were happy to put these amendments to vote without changes.

[Amendments 22-26 were put to a vote without changes]

PART 5 – POWERS AND DUTIES OF COMMITTEE POSITIONS

Amendments 27-30.

The proposed Amendments 27-30 (Change No. 27-30) were presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.27-30.

Peter: We will discuss this in more detail below, but you will see within these amendments, the positions of 'First Year Representatives' and 'Mature Age Representative' has been added to the list of Committee positions to reflect the Committee positions listed in clause 15(2).

Annabel: Peter, I understand that you are passing the amendments *en bloc*. However, it might be most appropriate to pass Change No.27-30 first because they deal with re-numbering the clauses that are then spoken about in their re-numbered format below. I just wouldn't want to cause any confusion for those reading the minutes who were not present at this meeting or CBS.

Peter: That is a great idea, Annabel. Let's do that. Just to be sure.

Does anyone have any questions about Change No.27-30? Otherwise, I will proceed to put these amendments to vote without changes.

No one had anyone questions about Change No.27-30.

[Amendments 27-30 were put to a vote without changes]

Amendment 31

The proposed Amendment 31 (Change No. 31) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.31.

Peter: As you will remember, amendment was outlined in detail of my discussion of Change No. 16. Does anyone need me to re-explain this or do you feel that my discussion of this change in Change No.16 was sufficient?

The members present at the SGM nodded and showed that they did not require further explanation of this amendment.

Okay, wonderful. Thank you everyone. I will now move on.

Amendment 32

The proposed Amendment 32 (Change No. 32) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.32.

Annabel: Divya has messaged me personally and asked a question about this change. Divya, would you like to announce this for the purpose of the minutes?

Divya: Sure. So, I am not sure whether this 'and' is needed, as it does not reflect any of the other 'Director' sections.

Annabel: Yes. If I remember correctly this was a suggestion made at an Executive meeting. But Peter and I did not have it down otherwise. I am indifferent about including it. If we don't need it, I am more than happy to take it out.

Felix: I don't think you need it from having a look at the other sections.

Annabel: Okay. Shall we just take it out then?

The members present, through general head-nodding and thumbs up, indicated that they were happy to take out the 'and' that had been added to the Constitution through this amendment (Change No. 32).

Annabel: Peter. How would you like to go about this? Vote to not to include it?

Peter: Because the 'and' is not in the constitution currently, I think we can just choose to not put this amendment to a vote.

Annabel: Okay great. I'll be sure to note that in the minutes. Thank you so much Divya for raising this.

Divya: That's okay!

[Amendment 32 was not put to a vote for the aforementioned reasons]

Amendment 33

The proposed Amendment 33 (Change No. 33) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.33.

Peter: As is outlined in the SGM Report, the Director of Careers (formerly the Director of Careers and Sponsorship [this was mistakenly left in the Constitution after the position changed]) is no longer responsible for sponsorship. Rather, this is the role of the Treasurer and thus, clause 46(b) needs to be amended as such.

Amendment 34

The proposed Amendment 34 (Change No. 34) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.34.

Peter: The amendment simply enshrines that we have added clause 19 to the Constitution. As such, the Director of Education will govern the First Year election process unless First Year Co-option occurs instead. In that event, the Director of Education will govern the First Year Co-option process, except for receiving and de-identifying the applications – which as I explained will be conducted by the President to preserve anonymity and prevent bias in voting.

Amendment 35-36

The proposed Amendments 35-36 (Change No. 35-36) were presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.35-36.

Peter: Again, we are unsure why clause 48(f) was not amended to include the correct name of the Portfolio at the 2020 SGM. Nevertheless, Change No.35 attempts to amend this, and Change No.36 is reflecting the culturally safe terminology we have moved to implement throughout the Constitution.

Amendment 37-38

The proposed Amendments 37-38 (Change No. 37-38) were presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.37-38.

Peter: Following this, you will see that in clause 49 all references to 'Indigenous' have been changed to 'Aboriginal'. Annabel recently had some training through her employment with headspace. When we got to amending the Constitution together, she felt it necessary to see this change made throughout the Constitution to ensure that the AULSS is being as culturally safe as possible.

Annabel: Thanks Peter. I am more than happy to answer any questions about this if anyone has any. But I felt that the training I completed with Bookabee was incredibly transformative. Divya and the Social Justice and Equity Portfolio, it might be a bit expensive, but I would consider looking into this training for AULSS members.

Divya and the Social Justice and Equity Representatives nodded in agreement.

Peter: Thank you once again Annabel. You'll also see that we changed some of the wording in 49(c). You will have already read our reasoning for this in the SGM Report, but I will just re-iterate that we felt that the

phrase ‘to ensure that Aboriginal issues are considered by the Committee’ was insensitive, vague, and quite tokenistic. We hope that through the new wording ‘to ensure that Aboriginal perspectives and experiences are recognised by the Committee’ provides more legitimacy to the powers of the Aboriginal Representative and will hopefully see an increase in engagement with this position.

Annabel: Exactly right Peter. We recognise that we may have actually prevented some students to from applying because of this vague and potentially insensitive wording. Hopefully these changes can see a stronger connection between the AULSS and Aboriginal students.

Peter: Thanks for explaining Annabel.

Felix: Annabel. Just looking at the drafting, does clause 49(d) need an ‘and’ inserted after the semicolon?

Annabel: Oh yes, it absolutely does. Hold up. Let me check the Constitution I have been drafting. I feel like that there is and ‘and’ on there.

Annabel checked the Constitution that she had been working on and saw that the ‘and’ was included.

Thank you so much for picking that up Felix. I apologise for the mistake on the SGM Report. Is everyone happy to add in an ‘and’ to the end of clause 49(d)?

The members present agreed that the addition of an ‘and’ was appropriate to be consistent with the formatting on the other clauses of the Constitution.

The following amendment was made to Change No.37-38:

49 – Aboriginal Representative

The ~~Indigenous-Aboriginal~~ Representative shall have the following powers and duties:

- (a) to recognise and respond to the various issues facing ~~Indigenous-Aboriginal~~ members within the Adelaide Law School;
- b) to promote and further the rights and interests of ~~Indigenous Aboriginal~~ members;
- (c) to ensure that ~~Indigenous Aboriginal issues perspectives and experiences~~ are ~~considered~~ recognised by the Committee;
- (d) to facilitate a stronger relationship between the Society and ~~Indigenous Aboriginal~~ members; and
- (e) to act as the official liaison between the Society and the Adelaide Law School Aboriginal ~~and Torres Strait Islander~~ Co-ordinator.

Is everyone happy with this?

The members present indicated that they were happy with these changes through nodding and putting their thumbs up via Zoom.

Peter: Thank you everyone and thank you Felix.

[Amendments 37-38 were put to a vote alongside the rest of the Part 5 Amendments having had this change made]

Amendment 39-40

The proposed Amendments 39-40 (Change No. 39-40) were presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.39-40.

Peter: The SGM explains this change clearly. However, to provide some more detail, because we chose to formalise the First Year and Mature Age Representative positions through clauses 51 and 52, we added in the Portfolios that each of these Representatives work within to provide absolutely clarity. To bring the IT Representative position in line with this formatting, we added clause 50(f).

Zeyang Wang joined the meeting at 6:50pm.

Amendment 41

The proposed Amendment 41 (Change No. 41) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.41.

Peter: Following the conversation from the previous amendment, we are not sure why the position of the First Year Representatives has not been added before but feel that it is important to enshrine it now. You'll note that the clause is quite simple, but we feel it is nonetheless important to include it and re-enforce their place within the Education Portfolio.

Amendment 42

The proposed Amendment 42 (Change No. 42) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.42.

Peter: Similarly, to the above amendment we are not sure why the position of the Mature Age Representative has never been enshrined in the Constitution, but we are at least doing it now and re-enforcing the changes made in recent SGMs to include the position under the Education Portfolio.

You will see that the wording is almost identical to that of the First Year Representatives. This is because we feel that the positions are essentially identical, merely differing in the ages of the Law School cohort that they represent.

Amendment 43-44

The proposed Amendments 43-44 (Change No. 43-44) were presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.44.

Peter: As explained in the SGM Report, the AULSS has moved away from offering sponsorship of the Hilarian in the yearly prospectus. So instead, we have chosen to reflect the language of the other specific

Representative clauses and acknowledge that the Magazine Editors sit within the Communications Portfolio.

Annabel: Peter, sorry to interrupt. But again, we are running out of time on our Zoom account. So, may I suggest that again we pause this meeting (hopefully for the last time) and get everyone to re-enter using the same Zoom link.

Peter: Yes, Annabel. This is a good idea. I hereby declare this meeting paused at 6:57pm. Please re-enter the meeting as quickly as you can so that we can continue with the meeting.

The SGM was paused at 6:57pm. Members left the meeting and re-joined via the same Zoom link.

Members re-joined the meeting via the same Zoom link.

Thank you everyone for re-joining. I hereby declare the SGM resumed at 7:01pm.

Amendment 45

The proposed Amendment 45 (Change No. 45) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.45.

Annabel: This was a change I felt needed to be made when editing the Constitution. It simply follows the same grammar style as the result of the Constitution and provides more specificity in guiding the Representatives position.

Peter: Thank you Annabel. Does anyone have any questions about what was discussed? Otherwise, I will move to put these changes to vote in line with the discussion that has ensued.

The members present did not have any questions about these amendments.

[Amendments 33-36 and 39-45 were put to a vote without changes. Amendment 32 was not put to a vote. Amendments 37-38 were put to a vote with changes]

PART 6 – FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

Amendment 46-47

The proposed Amendments 46-47 (Change No. 46-47) were presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.46-47.

Peter: As with the previous clauses that have required numbering changes, unless anyone has any questions, I will move to put these amendments to a vote such that the explanation of the changes below is easier to understand.

None of the members present had any questions about Change No.46-47.

[Amendments 46-47 were put to a vote without changes]

Amendment 48

The proposed Amendment 48 (Change No. 48) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.48.

Peter: To ensure that the utmost clarity is provided in related to the package of amendments that is Change No.16, 31 and 48, I will re-iterate the explanation of Change No. 48 provided in the SGM Report.

Under this amendment, any expense or exposure to a liability less than the prescribed amount must be approved by the Treasurer upon reasonable consultation with the President and be included in the Treasurer's report at the next Committee meeting.

The words "must be approved by the Treasurer", directly reflect that the Treasurer has the power and duty to manage, control and issue, and authorise the management, control, and issue of, receipts for all monies and finances of the AULSS pursuant to Change No. 31.

This amendment also directly reflects the remainder of clause 42 of the Constitution, which prescribes the Treasurer other financial and accounting powers and duties.

This amendment is also supported by Change No. 16, which under clause 17(1)(c) allows the Executive to pay all charges and expenses properly incurred by the Society subject to Part 6 of the Constitution, for which clause 56 is under and to which some of the conditions that clause 17(1)(c) is subject to provides.

It is essential for the day-to-day business and functioning of the AULSS to have the flexibility created by clause 56, which provides for the issue of funds without approval of the majority of the Executive under the prescribed amount.

However, in consideration of the President's responsibilities pursuant to clause 40, and to prevent a situation where a Treasurer (who unlike the President need not have experience on the AULSS or in an Executive Director position) would unreasonably and unduly approve frivolous spending under the prescribed amount, the AULSS wish to maintain an oversight/ check and balance for the issue of money specifically below the prescribed amount. Therefore, the words "upon reasonable consultation with the President" is present within the amended clause 56.

The requirement to have the issue of monies under the prescribed amount in the Treasurer's report further emphasises the responsibility of the Treasurer to have the management, control over the receipts of all monies and finances of the Society.

Amendment 49

The proposed Amendment 49 (Change No. 49) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.49.

Peter: This change simply involves amending the clause number outlined in clause 57(2) to reflect the correct clause after the numbering changes.

Does anyone have any questions about Change No.48-49? Otherwise, I move to put these amendments to a vote without changes.

No one had any questions about these amendments.

[Amendments 48-49 were put to a vote without changes]

PART 7 – SOCIETY ELECTIONS

Amendment 50

The proposed Amendment 50 (Change No. 50) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.50.

Peter: This amendment changes the current numbering of the listed clauses to reflect the updated numbering passed through the previous amendments.

We will first vote on Change No.50 such that the following changes can make more sense. Does anyone have any questions about amendment 50? If not, I will put it to a vote without changes.

No one had any questions.

[Amendment 50 was put to a vote without changes]

Amendments 51-52

The proposed Amendment 51 (Change No. 51) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.51.

Peter: These amendments relate to the previous changes that we have made throughout this SGM, changing the word 'Indigenous' to 'Aboriginal'. As stated in previous amendments discussing this topic, we hope that this change, albeit small, is a positive step towards creating greater engagement between and connections with Aboriginal Law students and the AULSS.

Amendment 53

The proposed Amendment 53 (Change No. 53) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.53.

Peter: This amendment simply reflects the updated numbering made to these clauses through the passing of previous amendments.

Does anyone have any questions about Change No.51-53. If not, I will move to put these amendments to a vote.

The members present did not have any questions about these changes.

[Amendments 51-53 were put to a vote without changes]

PART 8 – DURATION OF COMMITTEE AND POSITIONS

Amendments 54-55

The proposed Amendments 54-55 (Change No. 54-55) were presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.54-55.

Peter: These amendments change the current numbering of these clauses to reflect the updated numbering passed through the previous amendments.

We will first vote on these amendments such that Change No.56 can make more sense. Does anyone have any questions about amendments 54-55? If not, I will put these amendments to vote without changes.

No one had any questions.

[Amendments 54-55 were put to a vote without changes]

Amendment 56

The proposed Amendment 56 (Change No. 56) was presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.56.

Peter: Now that Changes No.54-55 have been made, you will see that the clause numbers within these sections need to be updated to reflect the clauses that they intend to reflect.

Does anyone have any questions about the numbering of these clauses or Change No. 56? Otherwise, I will put this amendment to a vote without changes.

No one had any questions or issues with Change No.56.

[Amendment 56 was put to a vote without changes]

ENACTMENT HISTORY

Amendments 57-58

The proposed Amendments 57-58 (Change No. 57-58) were presented to the members. Please see the SGM Report for an outline of Change No.57-58.

Peter: Change No.57 aims to correct the ‘Enactment History’ of the Constitution such that it reflects that amendments to the Constitution were made at the 2020 SGM. Change No. 58 also inserts and recognises that amendments have been made at this SGM.

	<p>Does anyone have any questions about these amendments? Otherwise, I will move to put these final two amendments to a vote without changes.</p> <p><i>No one had any questions about Change No.57-78.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">[Amendments 55-78 was put to a vote without changes]</p>
<p>Votes</p>	<p><u>CONTENTS AND PART 1</u></p> <p><u>VOTE – AMENDMENTS 1-9</u> That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendments 1-9 to Part 1 of the Constitution. Moved by: Peter Tantalos Carried by: Nadeesha Indigahawela Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS) <u>Motion passed.</u></p> <p><u>PART 2 - MEMEBRSHIP</u></p> <p><u>VOTE – AMENDMENTS 10-12</u> That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendments 10-12 to Part 2 of to the Constitution. Moved by: Peter Tantalos Carried by: Leon Kasperski Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS) <u>Motion passed.</u></p> <p><u>PART 3 – THE COMMITTEE OF THE SOCIETY</u></p> <p><u>VOTE – AMENDMENTS 13-21</u> That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendments 13-21 to Part 3 of the Constitution. Moved by: Peter Tantalos Carried by: Divya Narayan Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS) <u>Motion passed.</u></p> <p><u>PART 4 – MEETINGS</u></p> <p><u>VOTE – AMENDMENTS 22-26</u> That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendments 22-26 to Part 4 of the Constitution. Moved by: Peter Tantalos Carried by: Leon Kasperski Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS) <u>Motion passed.</u></p>

PART 5 – POWERS AND DUTIES OF COMMITTEE POSITIONS

VOTE – AMENDMENTS 27-30

That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendments 27-30 to Part 5 of the Constitution.

Moved by: Peter Tantalos

Carried by: Madeline Ellis

Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS)

Motion passed.

VOTE – AMENDMENTS 31, 33-45:

That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendments 31, 33-45 to Part 5 of the Constitution. Note: Amendment 32 will not be put to a vote given it has been decided it is no longer grammatically necessary. Amendments 37-38 to Part 5 of the Constitution are to be voted on with the changes made outlined in the 'Discussion' section of these minutes.

Moved by: Peter Tantalos

Carried by: Nadeesha Indigahawela

Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS)

Motion passed.

PART 6 – FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS

VOTE – AMENDMENTS 46-47:

That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendments 46-47 to Part 6 of the Constitution.

Moved by: Peter Tantalos

Carried by: Nicolas Rich

Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS)

Motion passed.

VOTE – AMENDMENT 48-49:

That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendments 48-49 to Part 6 of the Constitution.

Moved by: Peter Tantalos

Carried by: Olivia Higgins

Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS)

Motion passed.

PART 7 – SOCIETY ELECTIONS

VOTE – AMENDMENT 50:

That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendment 50 to Part 7 of the Constitution.

Moved by: Peter Tantalos

Carried by: Leon Kasperski

Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS)

Motion passed.

	<p><u>VOTE – AMENDMENTS 51-53</u> That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendments 51-53 to Part 7 of the Constitution. Moved by: Peter Tantalos Carried by: Ikwhan Fazli Bin Adi Bokharee Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS) <u>Motion passed.</u></p> <p><u>PART 8 – DURATION OF COMMITTEE POSITIONS</u></p> <p><u>VOTE – AMENDMENTS 54-55:</u> That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendments 54-55 to Part 8 of the Constitution. Moved by: Peter Tantalos Carried by: Jessica March Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS) <u>Motion passed.</u></p> <p><u>VOTE – AMENDMENT 56:</u> That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendment 56 to Part 8 of the Constitution. Moved by: Peter Tantalos Carried by: Felix Eldridge Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS) <u>Motion passed.</u></p> <p><u>ENACTMENT HISTORY</u></p> <p><u>VOTE – AMENDMENTS 57-58:</u> That the AULSS accepts and approves Amendments 57-58 to the Enactment History of the Constitution. Moved by: Peter Tantalos Carried by: George Komninos Vote: All in favour, 0 against, 0 abstain (UNANIMOUS) <u>Motion passed.</u></p>
Action items	The Vice-President is to lodge an updated version of the Constitution with Consumer and Business Services by Tuesday 3 rd August.
Moved by	Nadeesha Indigahawela
Carried by	Peter Tantalos

Agenda Item – Any Other Business or Announcements That May Arise

Item: As above	
Presented by	Peter Tantalos and Annabel Bramley
Discussion	<p>Annabel: Wow.</p> <p>Peter: Thank you so much everyone for helping us hold such a seamless SGM. We were honestly expecting to be here for much longer than this. But it is evident through the enthusiasm of you all being present on screen that everyone has done their part and read the SGM Agenda, Report and ‘other related documents’ to ensure that we can have the most productive meeting as possible.</p> <p>Annabel: We really thank everyone so much for attending. It has been a mammoth effort to make these amendments. We hope now that CBS find our Constitution sufficient, and we can proceed with the rest of our Term without needing to make any changes.</p> <p>For the purposes of the minutes, does anyone have any other business or announcements that they need to discuss prior to the closing of this meeting?</p> <p>Imogen: Yes. If I may. Everyone, can I please remind you that we have a Kain Lawyers seminar tomorrow from 11am-1pm. This seminar is a sponsored event and for the purpose of advising Law students about their form before the Uniform Clerkship Scheme closes. I would really appreciate your attendance if you can. Given that we are in lockdown, there is not much else that you will be doing, so come along please!</p> <p><i>The members present nod to indicate that they will do so if they are able to.</i></p> <p>Nadeesha: I would also like to speak quickly if I may. I have messaged a few people about writing a piece for the ‘Electives Guide’. However, my Facebook account has unfortunately been hacked and I am unable to access it at the moment. As such, I will have Leon or someone from my team post within the Facebook group on my behalf, but if you signed up to write a piece for the Electives Guide, or you are completing an elective that you know is included within the Electives Guide but you haven’t put your name down, can you please email me?</p> <p><i>The members present nod to indicate that they will do so if relevant to them.</i></p> <p>Jenny: Nadeesha – do you still need a testimonial for the Human Rights elective? I have a friend who is completing it this semester and she has said that she is able to help if you need.</p> <p>Nadeesha: The list of electives I needed were posted in the Committee Facebook group, hopefully, despite me being hacked, they should still</p>

	<p>be there. If not, could you please email me through her details, and I will reach out to her if need be. Thank you, Jenny!</p> <p>Peter: I would just also like to quickly speak to the current South Australian lockdown and our plans for the AULSS going forward.</p> <p>We have been talking as an Executive about the direction that we intend to take during the first half of the semester as a result of lockdown. Annabel and I have asked that each Director put in a contingency plan for each event that they are running going forward. This will enable us to have a ‘back-up-plan’ for each event we run, including if we’re only able to run at 75 or 50% capacity.</p> <p>For the next couple of weeks, at this stage, it does not look like that we will be able to go about our events in the way that we initially intended to. However, hopefully we can get back to ‘normal’ as soon as possible and be on campus reaching our students soon.</p> <p>On the 1st August, the Executive and I will be meeting to co-opt new members to the Committee. These new members will be in attendance at our sixth Committee meeting on Monday August 9th.</p> <p>Annabel: Excitingly, I have also received word that our merchandise items should be arriving at the AULSS Office on Friday. I will naturally be busy compiling these minutes and preparing all other related documents for CBS. As such, I will be most likely to be informing students of pick-up times for Week 2.</p> <p>Peter: Does anyone have any other items they would like to raise?</p> <p><i>No one stated that they had any other items or business to discuss.</i></p> <p>I hereby close the 2021 AULSS SGM at 7:24pm. Thank you so much everyone once again. I look forward to a fantastic semester two of the AULSS!</p>
Conclusions	N/A
Votes	N/A
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Nicolas Rich
Carried by	Chloe Winter

Meeting closed at 7:24pm ACST

Signed by the member who presided at this meeting pursuant to s 51(1)(b)(ii) of the *Associations Incorporation Act 1985* (SA):

Name: _____ PETER TANTALOS _____

Position: _____ PRESIDENT _____

Signature: _____  _____

Date: _____ 01/08/2021 _____