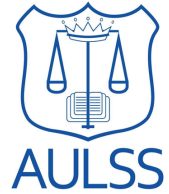


Adelaide University Law Students' Society Inc.

Minutes: Committee Meeting



Date: 24/05/21

Meeting Opened: 6:03pm

Meeting Closed: 7:16pm

Location: Lecture Theatre 231, Ligertwood Building

Meeting called by: Annabel Bramley

Minutes taken by: Annabel Bramley

Present (32):

1. Peter Tantalos*
2. Annabel Bramley*
3. Imogen Tonkin* (left at 6:41pm)
4. Chelsea Chieng*
5. Catherine Chhour^
6. Chloe Winter^
7. Kirsty McGinlay^
8. Theodora Sevastidis
9. Leon Kasperski*
10. Anthony Luppino^
11. Bella Mickan^
12. Bhavna Gupta^
13. Felix Eldridge^
14. Annie Yuan^
15. Christiana Michaels^
16. Sophie Tait^
17. Jenny Jung^
18. Olivia Edmonds^
19. Kellie Elmes*
20. Hannah Jung^
21. Michelle Neumann^
22. Riki Theodorakakos^
23. Yihui Ng^
24. Nadeesha Indigahawela*
25. Bryan Lau^
26. IkhwanFazli Bin Adi Bokharee^
27. Jessica March
28. Olivia Higgins
29. Divya Narayan*
30. Aditi Tamhankar^
31. Alexander Arthur^
32. William Fay^

**Member of the AULSS Executive*

^Members of the Committee

Valid apologies (5):

Celena Lee^

Will Broderick^
Aryan Banerjee^
Kane Mcaskill^
Madeline Ellis^

Invalid apologies (3):

Nicolas Rich*
George Komninos^
Shiv Ghandi^

Not present without notice (0):

Notice

In accordance with clause 29 of the Constitution, notice of this meeting was circulated and uploaded before the Committee Meeting, following consultation with the President. An agenda and related documents for this Committee Meeting were circulated on 20/05/21.

Quorum

In accordance with clause 21(1) of the Constitution, there being at least half of the current Committee plus one in attendance (including at least two members of the Executive), quorum was present at the time the meeting opened.

Chairperson

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

Executive reports

The Executive provided reports under clause 31 of the Constitution.

Agenda Items

Item: Statement of Acknowledgement of Country + Procedural Matters	
Presented by	Peter Tantalos
Discussion	<p>The Adelaide University Law Students' Society (AULSS) would like to acknowledge that the land we meet on today is the traditional lands of the Kurna people and that we respect their spiritual relationship with their Country. We also acknowledge the Kurna people as the traditional custodians of the Adelaide region and that their cultural and heritage beliefs are still as important to the living Kurna people today.</p> <p>As this will likely be a shorter meeting today and there are quite a few apologies, we will skip our usual 21 game. However, we will be sure to do this at our next meeting given it will be the final meeting for Semester 1.</p>

Agenda Items – Executive Reports

Item: President	
Presented by	Peter Tantalos
Discussion	<p>Deferred to written report with following additions:</p> <p>The Agenda and Report for Committee Meeting 4 was not published exactly three days before the commencement of this meeting. However, all other requirements have been met. To avoid any inconsistencies or invalidities, I have decided to include the following motion to be passed at this meeting: <i>The AULSS Committee approve to dispense the notice requirement within clause 29(2)(a) requiring the agenda and related documents to be published on the AULSS website 3 calendar days before the Committee meeting.</i></p> <p>Please see the below table for motion results.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Uniform Clerkship Scheme Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The firms outlined in my report are a bit outdated as there have been a few additions since then. I will now outline these changes. • We have received confirmation from HWL Ebsworth and Mellor Olsen that they want to be involved with the scheme. • This is incredibly exciting as this brings the number of firms involved to the greatest number of firms, we have ever had participate in the Uniform Clerkship Scheme. • In addition to this, I am also in talks with Lynch Myer about also coming on board. • Again, this is a great result. Especially after COVID, it is really exciting to have a healthy number of participants in scheme this year. • To support the scheme, I will be creating a Facebook event in early to mid-June and updating this regularly to support students through this process. 2. AULSS Textbook Fund: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thank you to the Executive for agreeing to set this up following my election initiatives. • <i>Peter explained the textbook fund. See CM 3 Report and Minutes for explanation of initiative.</i> • The Executive have approved \$1500 to spend on this scheme. No more than this amount will be spent. However, we feel that the \$1500 is necessary to boost the accessibility of textbooks in the library. 3. Views on Information that Firms should provide us: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Peter asked the discussion point outlined in his Executive Report.</i> • Alex: A good question would be one about the use of psychometrics. For example, how is this information

	<p>used once the data is obtained? Is there a pass/fail component?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leon: There is quite a lot of information relating to psychometric is in the Careers and Clerkship guide. • Annabel: It would be good to include something about whether the specific firm will send offers of rejection or will just be silent would be nice. I know this can cause a lot of anxiety for students. • Peter: Thank you Alex and Annabel, I will take this on and be sure to ask this of firms when speaking to them. • Chloe: It might also be useful to ask each firm how many rounds of interviews they plan on having. Similarly, to Annabel, this can cause students a lot of anxiety during the clerkship process. • Peter: Yes, this is a good idea. Thank you, Chloe. • Leon: In the MinterEllison seminar next week they are bringing three or four clerks to speak to us about their experience. This might mean that students are provided with a little less biased speakers than they otherwise might be if a lawyer or partner came to speak to us. Perhaps you could ask firms if there was any way they could provide clerk testimonials or some information about company culture etc? • Peter: That's a good point Leon. I will bring it up and be sure to get back to the Committee on this and any other responses. Unless there are any further questions that brings me to the end of my report. • <i>The Committee had no further questions for the President of the Society.</i>
Conclusions	<i>The AULSS Committee approve to dispense the notice requirement within clause 29(2)(a) requiring the agenda and related documents to be published on the AULSS website 3 calendar days before the Committee meeting.</i>
Votes	<p>In favour: all present (32)</p> <p>Against: zero (0)</p> <p>Abstaining: zero (0)</p>
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Nadeesha Indigahawela
Carried by	Jessica March
Conclusions	The motion carries. The President's report for Committee Meeting 4 was then continued, moved and passed as per the details below.
Votes	N/A
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Leon Kasperski
Carried by	Annie Yuan

Item: Vice-President	
Presented by	Annabel Bramley
Discussion	<p>Deferred to written report with the following additions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Office: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Annabel explained in more detail about the history of the AULSS using office access via card removal as a consequence of ill-behaviour or inaction of the Committee.</i> • Alex: will this be done on a case-by-case basis or looked at holistically? • Card removal would only ever occur if we saw a repeat pattern of behaviour. I would love to be able to positively reinforce the Committee until this didn't occur. However, unfortunately I do not have this luxury of time, so punishment has to be used instead. Again, if you're doing the right thing and closing the office door after use, this will be of no issue. • Imogen: Importantly, there is no reasonable excuse for the office door being left open when someone is not in it. • Peter: <i>explained that this will not be done lightly, and the President and Vice-President are not trying to be authoritative. Rather, stamp out the issue of the office being continually left open.</i> 2. Law School Local: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>No one had any feedback re Law School Local.</i> 3. Merchandise: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Various members of the Committee stated that they would be happy to help out with a Merchandise/Law School Local stall to sell off other items.</i> • Felix: will you be pursuing vests? You could say that I have a vested interest in this. • <i>The Committee laughs and claps Felix's funny pun.</i> • I am definitely looking into this Felix. Thank you for that. 4. Budget: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are no new additions except for Committee Meeting Food. As always, my budget will be skewed as it depends on sales which are processed by the Treasurer. However, I am keeping it in my report for full transparency.
Conclusions	N/A
Votes	N/A
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Bella Mickan
Carried by	Kellie Elmes

Item: Treasurer	
Presented by	Imogen Tonkin
Discussion	<p>Deferred to written report with the following additions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fitting in extra sponsorship items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leon: If we obtain more sponsorship, will we be fitting in extra seminars? I don't think I have the room to. • I would like to if possible. • Annabel: I am very conscious of the burden this will put on the Committee and students. If you have accepted some now that is fine. But perhaps if we could please assess our whole-Committee schedule for Semester 2 before taking on anything else? • Sure, sounds great. 2. MHFA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We have decided that the AULSS will be covering the cost of the whole first session (if Leo Cussen offer us 2). • The university provides the same training for free, so we don't want to disincentivise people from coming given its importance. • Once this first round of training has been completed, we will observe its success and think about where we go from there funding-wise. • Annabel: It might then be a good idea to let non-Committee members go first? • Yes. This is what we decided at our previous Executive meeting which you weren't at. • Annabel: Oh, okay. That's great. • So yes, I will be sure to update everyone as soon as Annabel, Peter and I have had our meeting with Leon Cussen on the 8th June. 3. Attendance: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I have been keeping track on attendance for sponsored events. • While I am overall pleased with the attendance, I would just like to say that study is not a good enough excuse to not attend. • Nadeesha: I don't think that is so fair for some events where we haven't had adequate notice. For example, the two most recent sponsored events were only put out today and they are next week. This is not enough time for people to take off work etc. • I have been fairly liberal with accepting apologies as valid. It is just difficult because sponsors have been getting back to us quite late. • Annabel: I think perhaps if they are getting back to us late than this is something we should not run. Again, I am conscious of the undue stress this puts on the Committee and students to attend.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> I understand. At least for these next two ones you can attend via Zoom I believe. However, yes. This is something I will take into consideration for next Semester.
Conclusions	N/A
Votes	N/A
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Annabel Bramley
Carried by	Leon Kasperski

Item: Director of Activities	
Presented by	Chelsea Chieng
Discussion	<p>Deferred to written report with the following additions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Law Dinner: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Committee congratulates Chelsea and the Activities Portfolio on the success of the 2021 Law Dinner.</i> • Thank you everyone. There were some issues with getting people to listen. However, otherwise, it was a fantastic event. • Rebecca, the President of the Law Society of South Australia, was so lovely and definitely an inspiration to lots of people in the room. • Additionally, the Intercontinental very accommodating, I will be sure to let the next Director of Activities know that I really recommend them as a venue. • Did anyone have any feedback from the event? • Alex: perhaps next time if there could be some fans under the dance floor? I got very hot and sweaty in the room that we were in. 2. Alcohol-Free Event: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chloe: This event was a bit quiet. However, we did expect this given the day and time we were running the event. • Chloe: Everyone that did come past enjoyed the games and activities. We now know for the future that Monday is not a great day to run even smaller events. • Peter: Did the Law School tell you/ Did you know that your week of events would overlap? • Chelsea + Divya: No • Chelsea: In the future, it would be good to collaborate with the Law School as it gets a bit confusing for students to see events that look quite similar but are different. • Chelsea: We don't expect much from this type of event, its goal is to be quite relaxed. However, our next semester alcohol-free event should hopefully be bigger and garner more engagement. 3. End of Exams Party: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Theodora: As stated at the last Committee Meeting, we have secured Super California as our venue. They have very kindly given us exclusive use of the venue until a certain time which is excellent. • Theodora: I have also asked that they come up with a cocktail recipe for us like they have in the past. This will hopefully go along with our 'European holiday' theme that we're running with. If anyone has any European puns that the cocktail could be named after, please let me know!

	<p>4. Law Ball:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There are big things happening with our beloved Law Ball. • I have been making some cool graphics for the hype of the event. These will be dropping over the next few weeks. • We are again working with Bliss Events. They have decorated our past three Law Balls. I am meeting with them again on Wednesday. Because a lot of the items I was after are already in stock they have been able to show me physical versions and I have been able to see what the event will look like, so that is fantastic. • Some people (even my friends) have been asking me when the event is. Please spread the word that the date of Law Ball is Saturday 4th September. • Regarding COVID requirements, we are expecting capacity to increase from last year (which was at around 500). In April they told me that capacity could be 617 and I am hoping that this will increase soon (they hinted that it might). • Otherwise, please see my report for upcoming Activities events. Thank you! <p>5. Updated Law Dinner Budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please see the Law Dinner Budget and let me know if you have any questions or comments. • <i>The Committee did not raise any issues with this event budget.</i>
Conclusions	N/A
Votes	N/A
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Chloe Winter
Carried by	Kirsty McGinlay

Item: Director of Careers	
Presented by	Leon Kasperski
Discussion	<p>Deferred to written report with the following additions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Clayton Utz Seminar: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Despite the quick turnaround for the event, we still got engagement and the Clayton Utz contact, Danielle, was still happy with the outcome of the event. • Clayton Utz have stated they're happy to come back which is great. 2. Allen & Overy + MinterEllison Seminars: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Both of these seminars will be talking about clerkships. • I apologise for the quick turnaround, but like Imogen said they were quite late to get back to us with timing. • I feel that it is quite cool to be breaking the fourth wall of firms and getting a more personal view into the day-to-day functioning of their organisations. • I do not expect much attendance for these events, but please come if you can. The MinterEllison seminar is in person now rather than Zoom, so I understand that students might be unable to attend this at such short notice. However, for the Allen & Overy Seminar, you are more than welcome to listen in the background via Zoom. • Thank you so much in advance. I hope to have less to none of this happening in Semester 2. 3. Careers and Clerkship Launch Party Feedback: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Divya: Perhaps next time it might be good to have more structure to the event and less random networking? • Leon: Yes, I was thinking this. Perhaps more like a roundtable discussion. • Divya: I was aware that some of the younger students were overwhelmed by the prospectus of having to engage with the firms casually. 4. Next Semester: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kirsty: I would love to see more public or more government related jobs given the spotlight. • Leon: Thanks Kirsty. Next semester I was planning on having an event every two-weeks, which will each cover slightly more niche topics than just commercial and corporate law. • Annabel: How about some content around Public Relations, Marketing etc? • Leon: Thanks Annabel, these are important to highlight. I agree and will definitely make sure that one of the aforementioned seminars focus on these topics.

	<p>5. Thank you to my team:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I just wanted to give a public thanks to the valiant efforts of my Portfolio this semester. They have been absolutely fantastic, and I have been blown away at what they have come up with. So, thank you. • <i>The Committee congratulates the Careers Portfolio for their efforts.</i> <p>6. Updated Budget:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This has not changed since the previous meeting but has been included in my report for full transparency.
Conclusions	N/A
Votes	N/A
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Felix Eldridge
Carried by	Bella Mickan

Item: Director of Communications	
Presented by	Nicolas Rich
Discussion	<p>As Nicolas was unable to attend Committee Meeting 4, his Portfolio provided an oral update of the activities of the Portfolio. Nicolas' report was otherwise taken as read.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Communications Update: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christiana: The notes I have from Nic are that everything is plotting along as it should be. However, please reach out the Portfolio if you have any suggestions/concerns/questions etc. • Christiana: Our workload will slow down as the activities of each Portfolio slow down. 2. Hilarian: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jenny: Issue 2 will be released on Friday. • <i>The Committee gives a big round of applause to the Hilarian for the release of Issue 2.</i> • Jenny: As we were unable to do a Launch Party for Issue 2, we have instead decided to offer a Keep Cup give away instead. Essentially, we will have printed off three black tickets (but are calling them golden instead) and will be placing these inside random issues spread around Ligertwood. The first student to locate these tickets will win a small Keep Cup! • Felix: Can anyone win these (i.e., Committee members)? • Jenny: The competition will be completely random, and we will not be telling anyone where the tickets have been placed, so I don't see why not. • Jenny: We will announce this competition on Thursday. If someone comes into the office with the black ticket, please take it (so they don't come back another time and try and get another Keep Cup). Please also keep a record of how many have been found if me, Olivia or Will are not there. Thank you so much.
Conclusions	N/A
Votes	N/A
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Leon Kasperski
Carried by	Divya Narayan

Item: Director of Competitions	
Presented by	Kellie Elmes
Discussion	<p>Deferred to written report entirely with the following additions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Competitions Grand Finals: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Committee congratulated Nicolas Rich, Lily Schultz and Lily Deluca for winning the 2021 Open Moot Grand Final.</i> • Congratulations to the runners up also. • <i>The Committee congratulated the runners up.</i> • It was incredible to see how the judges we have got on board have been able and willing to help us for future competitions. • We would really like to see this quality of judges at our future events. • Thank you to everyone who came – tickets filed out very quickly which was great. 2. Semester 2 Preparations: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I am really hoping to ramp up problem questions for Semester 2. • Please let me know if you have anyone keen to help out writing these. I would be more than happy to accept any and all adequate submissions! 3. ALSA: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I would encourage you to come along to the International Humanitarian Law Grand Final which is taking place this Friday. • We have some really stellar mooters in this competition. Olivia Bradley and Jana Humzy will be going up against Natasha Slater and Billie Jones. • The bench of judges will comprise the likes of Dale Stevens and Stacey Henderson which will also be a great watch!
Conclusions	N/A
Votes	N/A
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Divya Narayan
Carried by	Chloe Winter

Item: Director of Education	
Presented by	Nadeesha Indigahawela
Discussion	<p>Deferred to the written report with the following additions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Tales of a First Year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>The Committee congratulated Bryan, Liv and Jess for their efforts on this issue on 'Tales of a First Year'.</i> 2. Exam Preparation 101: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As theorised in my report, our turn out was slightly less than hoped for. However, it was still a good number given the circumstances. • Thank you to the Committee members who came along and again, to my Portfolio for their efforts with this event. • <i>The Committee again congratulates the Education Portfolio.</i> 3. Mature-Age Drinks Night: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kane is unfortunately unwell so unable to speak to his event. I will leave this for him to speak to at our next Committee Meeting, • However, I will say that we have decided to put some money towards food, rather than drinks, for this event. This is to avoid anyone who doesn't drink feeling uncomfortable or unwelcome. The event is definitely a social catch-up first rather than anything else. 4. Updated Education Budget: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reflects the past two events we have run plus Kane's Mature Age event.
Conclusions	N/A
Votes	N/A
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Bryan Lau
Carried by	Ikhwan Fazli

Item: Director of Social Justice and Equity	
Presented by	Divya Narayan
Discussion	<p>Deferred to written report with the following editions:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Social Justice and Equity Articles: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • These will continue to be uploaded onto our section of the website as per normal. Thank you to my Representatives for their contributions to these throughout the Semester. • <i>The Committee applauds the achievements of the Social Justice and Equity Portfolio in this respect.</i> • Aryan: over 150 people have read the Social Justice and Equity articles page since their inception. This is an excellent statistic. 2. Push-Up Challenge: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Divya explained the aim of the Push-Up Challenge.</i> • Sofia has made a Facebook event for the challenge that will act as a centralised hub throughout the month of June. • Alex and Maddie have made our official AULSS community page for us. Thank you, Alex and Maddie. • Registration for the challenge is quite easy. Alex has written a 'how to' guide so that students can easily sign up and get involved. • Maddie has also contacted the personal trainer from the Adelaide University gym to get on board and promote the challenge for us. • <i>Annabel spoke to further particulars about the Push-Up challenge.</i> • It will be nice to be fostering some AULSS comradery during an otherwise stressful exams period. 3. Social Justice and Equity Budget: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No major changes. However, I will note that we ended up spending \$45 on hot chocolate supplies rather than the amount stipulated on the budget.
Conclusions	N/A
Votes	N/A
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Rikki Theodorakakos
Carried by	Aditi Tamhankar

Agenda Items – Other Business

Item: Other Business	
Presented by	Annabel Bramley
Discussion	No other items were brought to the Committee.
Conclusions	As above
Votes	N/A
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Felix Eldridge
Carried by	Leon Kasperski

Agenda Items – Reminder of Next Meeting on 07/06/21

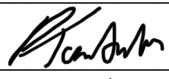
Item: As Above	
Presented by	Annabel Bramley
Discussion	A reminder that our next Committee meeting will be held on Monday 7th June at 6pm in Ligertwood 231. I understand that this is a short turn-around from this current meeting. Committee Meeting 5 will be a nice reflection on the busy semester that we have had. Thank you for your attendance!
Conclusions	N/A
Votes	N/A
Action items	N/A
Moved by	Nadeesha Indigahawela
Carried by	Annie Yuan

Meeting closed at 7:16 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: 09/06/21