



SEPTEMBER COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date	2023_09_20
Location	Grounds Cafe and Online
Chair	Ella Reynolds
Minute-Taker	Tiffany Allen
Start Time	6:34pm
End Time	7:40pm

Note: These minutes are paraphrased accounts of the discussion at the meeting and are uploaded to give our members an idea of the decision-making process in cabinet and the initiatives we discuss. Sensitive items such as the names of executive members, internal disciplinary issues, confidential agreements with sponsors and other external parties have been redacted.

Position	Name	Att.
President	Ella Reynolds	Y
Treasurer	Cruz Spadaccini	N
Secretary	Tiffany Allen	Y
Socials VP	Isabella Dunne	Y
Educations VP	Evelyn Owen	Y
Careers VP	NA	-
Publications & Marketing VP	Tara Innes	N
Competitions VP	Rabecca Hulston	Y
Competitions Officer	Salome Bennet	N
General Committee Member	Ffion Romans	N
First Year Representative	Mathew Harwood	Y
Criminology Representative	Emilie Gallaher	Y
Criminology Representative	Fiona Thomson	P
Socials Officer	Asra Khan	Y
Socials Officer	Sarah Alkanani	Y
Mature Age and Graduate Representative	Kelly Philips	Y
Sub-Committee	Tali Godin	N
First Year Representative	Krishna Thakar	Y



Educations Officer	Abigail Puno	Y
Educations Officer	Rattan Bhinder	N

Committee:	Quorum:	Attendees:	Motion passes:
18	9	12	4

Others invited and attended:	Att.
Micaela Grant	N
Emerson Varris	Y
Joie Ng	N
Fergus Pau	Y
Syeda Maisara Muzaffar	N
Carol Lam	Y

1. Welcome & Acknowledgement of Country

ER: The Chair would like to welcome everyone back for another committee meeting.

The Murdoch Student Law Society recognises the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation as the traditional owners and custodians of the land upon which the Society is constituted. We acknowledge the special and continuing connection to country held by the Noongar people and respect the knowledge and laws that traditional elders and Aboriginal people in this place hold and pass on from generation to generation. We regret that racial discrimination, arising from colonial rule, has been used to justify Indigenous dispossession, socio-economic repression, and the creation of a legal system that still to this day does not provide Indigenous people with equal access to justice.

2. Apologies

TA: The following provided notice they could not attend this meeting:

- Tara
- Micaela
- Maisara
- Joie

Fiona gives proxy to Evelyn.

Kelly gives proxy to Evelyn.

Mathew gives proxy to Abigail.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

TA: After the meeting, the current document of Committee Meeting Minutes will be made available to the Committee. It is their responsibility they review them and contact Tiffany to request any changes be made.

MOTION: Confirmation of the previous Committee Meeting Minutes?

Passed 13/13

Action Item:

(TA) If passed, move previous Committee Meeting Minutes to the Society Records Folder.

(TA) After the meeting, make this document available to the Committee.

4. Election Meeting

List of Nominees:

- Micaela Grant for Marketing Officer
- Emerson Varris for Moot and External Competitions Officer
- Joie Ng for Marketing Officer
- Fergus Pau for IT Officer
- Syeda Maisara Muzaffar for Equity and Advocacy Officer

All members have been confirmed as members.

Election statements:

Micaela Grant for Marketing Officer:

I want to help the marketing team in getting information out on social media quicker so we are getting more involvement in comps and events. I have volunteer work with Australian Air Force Cadets and have been communicating with parents and cadets about activities that we hold within the organisation. I also have some ideas about rebooting the podcast up!

Emerson Varris for Moot and External Competitions Officer:



Hi there! I am a 4th year law & international politics student and longstanding member of the MSLS. I have previously been on the Committee - as Pubs Officer in 2021 and as the first Mooting and External Competitions Officer in 2023. Outside of that, I have been deeply involved with competitions and mooting throughout my time at uni - both with MSLS and representing Murdoch. As such I bring strong experience to the role both as a competitor and as a previous officer.

Before you ask, I'm absolutely willing to run a cafe shift!

Joie Ng for Marketing Officer:

I believe I am extremely suitable for the position of Marketing Officer. I enjoy working with aesthetics and am more than comfortable working with various forms of social media. I am a team player and am able to effectively cooperate and communicate with the Publications and Marketing Vice President. My intentions are to inform and engage law and criminology students with MSLS. Marketing various social, educational and career events will not only encourage students to attend these events, but acts as an avenue for me to learn more about the law industry and marketing.

Fergus Pau for IT Officer:

My intent for this position within the MSLS is to gain some experience working in a smaller team. I hope to be able to be able of help in a social field such as law, and thought this position would be a good place to start. As I feel the need to improve my communicative skills during my degree, I feel that as IT officer I will be able to assist in an area of my interest, while taking steps to improve said social skills. In terms of suitability, I believe my skills to be sufficient to fulfil the role. My abilities in IT are mostly related to basic troubleshooting on MacOS devices, as well as some ability on Windows devices. In terms of maintaining the MSLS website, I am reasonably confident that I will be able to perform the necessary tasks, given some initial guidance.

Syeda Maisara Muzaffar for Equity and Advocacy Officer:

I have always had a passion advocating for young people and youth issues. I believe that I have the experiences required to be suitable for the Equity and Advocacy Officer position. I work for both Federal and State politicians which allows me to be in a world of policy development and advocacy activity at all times. I have engaged in many projects, campaigns and general tasks in my jobs where I have gained skillsets which I believe I can use for this role. I have also been elected for Youth Parliament for two straight terms, with my second term as the Leader of the Opposition. As a Youth Parliamentarian I had to debate bills based on the interests and issues of the State's youth which increased my advocacy skills.

Nominees have had their speech/discussion or statement read? Yes

Committee voted? Yes

Materials sent to the Returning Officer for approval?

Please note this election is for the rest of the committee year 2023 (until November). To continue on in 2024 you may nominate in the call for nominations for AGM.

5. Update from President

ER:

- WAJA event
 - Attendance!
 - Doors open at 5:30.
 - Free :)
 - Committee be here before 5:30 to assist if you can.
- Sponsorship 2024
 - Firms have been contacted.
 - Have a list.
- Bank correspondence
 - Business term deposit
 - Transfer to commbank OR find an alternative.
 - **Motion: To transfer to Commbank and 2024 committee can decide bank options.**
 - Motioner - Ella
 - Second - Tiffany
 - **Result: PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

6. Update from Treasurer

CS:

- NA

7. Update from Secretary

TA:

- AGM
 - Committee reports to your VP
 - Those who do not have a VP - send to me.

8. Update from Socials

ID:

- Two last events
 - Bottomless brunch
 - Have done financial approval form.
 - SA: \$1,380 estimate
 - Will only have 20 people. Restriction of numbers for venue.
 - **Vote for spending up to \$1,500?**
 - Result:
 - 2 abstains
 - 1 against
 - 12 for
 - **Passed.**
 - End of year
 - We have \$1,000 from sponsor money.
 - Market ground is minimum \$3,000
 - **Vote for spending up \$1,000 for deposit?**
 - Result:
 - All in favor.
 - **PASSED UNANIMOUSLY**

9. Update from Education

MH:

- First year
 - Good turnout
 - 20-25 people
 - Pizza and games, very casual.
 - Positive result.

- Thank you to all for organizing.
- Would think future events like this would be good.

EO:

- RUOK day
 - Positive result.
 - Free food and drinks.
- Two things left:
 - Mental health drop in
 - Coffee connect
- Possibly an alumni event.

10. Update from Careers

ER:

- Panel: College of law
 - Coincide this with our careers guide?
 - Monday 16 October
 - Attendance
- PLT conference
 - No details yet.

11. Update from Publications and Marketing

TI:

- NA

12. Update from Competitions

RH:

- Client Interview
 - Second round last night
 - Results are yet to come out
 - Overall a positive outcome
 - Finals: 2 October and 4 October



- Attend! There is free food and networking opportunities. Also you get to visit the law firm.
- Mega advocacy
 - Meetings with Joseph to discuss planning
 - Will be sending out a survey, Please share this!
 - Maybe split it across two days.
- Already started preparing comps VP stuff for 2024.

13. General Business

- Cafe manager
 - Potentially a calendar on the blue wall above the couches.

14. Next Meeting

TA: The next Committee meeting will take place on 11 October 2023.

15. Action Items

ALL COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

NA

PRESIDENT:

NA

TREASURER:

NA

SECRETARY:

After the meeting, make this document available to the Committee.

SOCIALS:

NA



EDUCATION:

NA

CAREERS:

NA

PUBLICATIONS AND MARKETING:

NA

COMPETITIONS:

NA