



OCTOBER COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Date	2023_10_11
Location	Grounds Cafe and Online
Chair	Ella Reynolds
Minute-Taker	Evelyn Owen
Start Time	6:48
End Time	7:14

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	N
Socials VP	Isabella Dunne	N
Educations VP	Evelyn Owen	Y
Careers VP	NA	-
Publications & Marketing VP	Tara Innes	N
Competitions VP	Rabecca Hulston	Y
Competitions Officer	Salome Bennet	Y
General Committee Member	Ffion Romans	N
First Year Representative	Mathew Harwood	Y
Criminology Representative	Emilie Gallaher	Y
Criminology Representative	Fiona Thomson	N
Socials Officer	Asra Khan	Y
Socials Officer	Sarah Alkanani	Y
Mature Age and Graduate Representative	Kelly Philips	N
Sub-Committee	Tali Godin	N
First Year Representative	Krishna Thakar	Y



Educations Officer	Abigail Puno	Y
Educations Officer	Rattan Bhinder	N
IT Officer	Fergus Pau	Y
Marketing Officer	Joie Ng	N
Marketing Officer	Miceala Grant	N
Moot and External Competitions Officer	Emerson Varris	Y
Equity and Advocacy Officer	Maisara Muzaffar	N

Committee:	Quorum:	Attendees:	Motion passes:
23	12	12	

Others invited and attended:	Att.

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:

- Abigail - proxy to matthew

- Kelly
- Bella
- Tiff - proxy to millie
- Fergus - proxy to matthew

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. **We haven't received last meetings minutes**

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. Update from President

ER:

- Panel event on monday @ 11 am, please please be there
- PLT Conference
 - Gotten in contact with Leo Cussen and College but we only have three weeks left to happen. Preference for it to occur on a Monday, leave two Mondays left. Leo Cussen keen to go ahead.
 - Unless we do another day of the week, if anyone else wants to run it let me know.
 - I've let them know that if it gets too difficult it will likely not go ahead.
- Received an email complaint about a competition.
 - Spoken about it in exec, we have made a plan on how we will make sure it will not happen again. If you would like to know more about it, you can read out executive minutes. An action plan has been made and will be given to the next competitions VP when the time comes.

5. Update from Treasurer

ER:

- NA
- We need to change banks - Treasurer on it

6. Update from Secretary

TA:

- AGM - 10 people put hands to say they would attend AGM in person or by proxy
- Question for Tara - how is marketing going?
- We need to send out submissions today to comply with the constitution
- New MSLS members will receive their emails hopefully tomorrow.

7. Update from Socials

ID:

- Bottomless brunch sold out on night - talks about trying to increase capacity
 - Emailed and they haven't gotten back. Will attempt to call them. We asked initially and they weren't very keen on having more people, so it is probably unlikely.
- End of year - marketing to go out

8. Update from Education

EO:

- Mental health drop in - monday fun day / back to basics - in organsiation

9. Update from Careers

ER:

- See president report.

10. Update from Publications and Marketing

TI:

- NA

11. Update from Competitions

RH:

- Thanks to Salome and other exec who helped out with Client Interview comps. Finals were last week and they went smoothly. We need to get some pictures to Tara to post. Other than that comps is done. Unless Paper presentation comp goes ahead. Should know about that within the week.

12. General Business

- EO: Coffee connects - waiting on firms to reply with dates
- EV: Amendments to the constitution
 - Way out constitution is structured between general committee and executive committee may not be inline with the associations and corporation act - the commissioner has approved our constitution.
 - Our cons effectively gives all powers to the executive committee, but then we have a problem in that it also gives powers to the general committee but they are not subject to the same eligibility requirements as the executive committee. Can be fined up to \$10,000 as an officer of an association. Liability issue.
 - Two options - amend constitution to give no powers to the executive committee and all to the general
 - Another option - give all the powers to the executive committee and delegate to general. THOUGHTS?
- ER: is this just a so you know where we are currently feeling for vote of AGM
- EV: yes committee should have a say, where do we want to power to lie
- ER: from current perspective - i think the exec not being able to do it would be difficult. Issues in past. Its the committee as a whole and giving the power to exec would be easier. Safety net of committee saying no you guys no longer have the power.
- EV: Committee current has that power over financials.
- MH: I think thats the better option. General committee having no powers is probably not great. Won't feel like you're apart of the committee.

- ER: Given for financial decisions are mainly with committee. Shiftly load off of exec and sharing with committee.
- RH: I don't have any questions, I think its straight froward and to be raised at AGM.
- EV: Re amendments
 - Pretty significant change to constitution, my thought is to rewrite the constitution from scrap would be easier. Substitute old for new.
 - Means if there are other proposed amendments would have to be incorporated into new submitted constitution.
 - Does anyone want to help? Needs to be in with 5 days. I am planning to do it this week. If anyone is free thursday/friday/sunday to help.
- ER: I know there is stuff that i want to amend and i know others do it. Is this a good use of time at the moment bc this constitution will always have it's problems. We are in a position where we have met the requirements. From my perspective there are day to day operations that are difficult for sec to manage. Are those things more important rather than restructuring the constitution.
- EV: two options - can leave for next year, or hold a special general meeting. Might be best to leave it for SGM. Not currently a problem.

13. Next Meeting

TA: The next Committee meeting will take place on 1 November 2023

14. 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