



**SOCIETY OF LAW STUDENTS**  
THOMPSON RIVERS UNIVERSITY

**MINUTES**

Title of meeting: **SLS Executive Meeting**

Date:

Time: 5:00PM - 7:7

Location: VIRTUAL

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**(1) Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 5:02PM

**(2) Roll Call**

- Abbey
- Harsh
- Mike
- Greg
- Conrad
- Brooke
- Tiana
- Jaya
- Jesse
- Mia
- Chris
- Matt

Not present:

Marina

Tiana

**(3) Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting**

All in approval

**(4) President Report (Abbey & Harsh)**

Abbey:

- Communication throughout the summer
- We want to make a Welcome student handbook - eat and drink in kamloops suggestions
- Reimbursements are almost done - merch orders etc.

- Check slack daily - turn notifications on
- Going into summer - more of a social media presence
- Bringing back the suggestion box for comments, concerns etc. in the lounge
  - Generally tidying up the lounge to make it a fun and useful space for everyone
  - Bringing in the cleaners to clean inside

Harsh  
N/A

## **(5) Reports from Internal Directors**

### **(a) Vice Presidents**

#### **(a.1) VP fundraising— Greg**

- Spoke with Sarah
- Number of firms was pretty low in previous years - this was because SLS needed approval from TRU
  - We don't need this approval anymore - we can now reach out to restaurants and other companies not just the top 10 firms
- It would be useful to know the approximate budget
- Accumulating extra funds could be negative according to Sarah - unsure if we agree though
- Sponsorship should be in august - sponsorship pdf package will be worked on in the summer to be sent out then to the sponsors
- Premium canva is available to us to make the package
  - Mia is happy to help with this
- Needs help with finding the budget for the year to send out to the sponsors so that they know what they are helping with
- Figuring out what events that we want to do this year so we can talk about it to sponsors
- Contact list will be created to be approved amongst us and see if there's anyone we want to add

#### **(a.2) VP Academic— Mike**

- Ian's exit report was good - workshops should be consistent to rely on certain students so that there is no confusion
- Trying to get more student feedback to see which workshops and courses
- 2L's will be a lot of help to figure out what 1L's would need help with
- Unsure if his position covers this but - OCI's - information sessions

Goals for the summer:

- Information session for course selection
- CAN bank reviewal
- CAN contest
- Before september a schedule should be sent out so that everyone can see what is going to be offered
- Reaching out to faculty for information about format to set the expectation for fall semester in terms of covid protocol etc.

Needs help with: getting information from faculty

### **(b) Class Representatives**

#### **(b.1) 1L (Chris)**

Orientation week

Should the group have meetings once a week or not - it depends on how much he

Needs help with:

- potential volunteer for leaders from SLS board

Facebook group

- Not accepting incoming 1L's into the main TRU Law group until we get the final list of students, nor are we making a 2025 class group

Regional meet ups should be set up as soon as we get the final list as well

### **(b.2) 2L (Marina)**

*Abbey on behalf of Marina:*

- Met with maddy - helping her organize the grad merch for september
- Help from the board: budgets for merch
- Finance committee meeting should be soon so that we can know what we can order
- Sorting merch and pick up
- Some of us will probably help with getting merch organized when the time comes

Year rep expectations?

- Suggestion box - being part of the facebook group, speaking with peers, etc.
- Faculty council meetings - there doesn't need to be much done quite yet, unless there is something specific that we need to take and discuss
- Eg. covid protocol was the last one, so brainstorm things for that

### **(b.3) 3L (Matt)**

- Speak with Cara early to plan grad gift as early as possible
- Questions and concerns from 3L's
- Wanting to get started on responsibilities asap
- Host and facilitate rep year events
- Mentorship program - should be a bit more meaningful than it has been in the past
- Check with Christi to see if there are any 2 and 3L and alumni to build a resource for OCI's a bit more

Planning in the summer - possible event ideas

- Finding out about mentorship
- Re-doing the SLS lounge - early september
- Volleyball tournament with a BBQ - food etc. for all years
- Dodgeball and ping pong tournament too
- Kegger for st. pattys day
- Hiding gift cards around old main

Abbey:

- Christi has a master list of alumni and where they are working
  - Hasn't been updated in a while though - and so we may need to help
  - Chair of student life likely does that
- Mentorship mixer might be at the beginning of the year
- We cannot endorse alcohol as members
- 3L would help with creating a contact page with people and what firm they are at

### **(c) Chair of student life (Tiana)**

*Harsh on behalf of Tiana:*

- SLS website updates for the clubs
  - Mia does the website

- Focus on student wellness and activities such as yoga etc.
- Updating the SLS lounge - priority
- Planning orientation will be the biggest priority until September
- Mentorship matching will be a priority

#### **(d) Events (Brooke)**

- Main thing is budget and knowing how much we have and can get to host events
  - Paige sent a good exit report
  - Must know funds to help
  - Casino night and beach party - hard to do beach and law ball because both are expensive so we may have to choose one
  - Deans mixer - unsure if that's happening - please confirm
  - TRU SLS funding - unsure how to apply
  - Where can we get tables and chairs for events to use?
  - Mike, greg and matt did the golf tournament - was it events or golf club? - it could be in september because it was in previous years and would be warmer
    - That was probably the golf club that organized it
  - Liquor licensing - olympics for licensing etc for the fields
- Harsh* - could be at the end of the week of orientation
- Tables and chairs - contact cara to talk to facilities to borrow things from the school - it would then just be a matter of picking them up and
  - Deans mixer - school would pay (most) so it would be less financial burden for us and more possible to do
- Greg* - doesnt think we need a license for liquor at the park
- Mike* - its an out of pocket thing for us, SLS can't buy booze

#### **(6) External Reports**

##### **(a) ILSA (Jesse)**

- ILSA is for indigenous events
- Salmon run - a lot of work
  - Push for people to attend
- A2J is big for ILSA
- TRU SU funding Jesse can help with - normally granted
- ILSA does fundraising during SLS events
- Cara is magic!! Tables and everything - she will help with everything!

##### **(b) Communications and Marketing Officer (Mia)**

- Has all of the information required to be uploading on facebook, instagram and the website for the SLS pages
- Going to spread out the intro's for the SLS exec's because it may be a bit too much for students to be seeing several all at once
- Wanting to have the website as a main hub resource for incoming 1L's - less use of facebook
  - Have club posts on the website as opposed to being so hard to locate on the facebook group
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#### **(7) Financial Report (Conrad)**

- Waiting for an exit report
- Operating with very little money - covid didn't help
- Money from the law ball has still not come in from the faculty
- Big thing to help with: list of contact information from the club heads to get funding for TRU SU
- We can use them so we aren't using all of our SLS funds
- 1871 - savings is 10,000 - needs to remain at that
- Think of ways to raise money
- SLS fees:
  - Think of ways to incentivize people paying fees
    - Locker, lock and discount on events
  - Definitely need more ways to pay
- Breakfast orientation to get people to pay SLS needs to be more enforced
- Have a presentation from SLS to promote the benefits of SLS
- Add SLS fees to tuition?

Question: with so little money how are we going to pay for orientation week?

- Chris: estimated budget - \$1500 scavenger hunt and olympics
- Approx \$3710 estimated budget

*Abbey:* chat on monday to discuss the money getting reimbursed from the law ball

- Cheque also for starting point of funds for the year - unsure the exact number though

*Greg:* reaching out to firms - providing money for events and will rely on one main firm to sponsor an event

- CBA paid for t-shirts - Abbey can send an email to ask if they can fund that again

### **(8) Conference (Jaya)**

- Change: in person event ideally
- Looking at 2019 notes
- Difficulty securing speakers - must reach out early on to secure them
- Fundraising needed for the conference
- Recruitment mid june-july
- Theme:
  - Work to get the junior chair in the fall
- Funding for the conference is separate from SLS

### **(9) Other Business**

Funding with tru su - they dont support alcohol

Approving events - making sure it's not just a sole drinking event - SLS does not allow this

*Harsh:* SLS fees:

Update the website to incentivize paying

Have representatives at the breakfast to explain what the fee is

- add it to the handbook! To get the information

- sponsorship overlap explaining SLS - Greg

- *Mike* - in the mega room to go through all the events to expect, 1L courses,
- get 2L's to hold 1L's accountable through the mentorship program

Next meeting: June 26th 5:00pm

**5:59PM meeting closed**