

Title of meeting: **SLS Executive Meeting**

Date: September 27th, 2020

Time: 10:00 am

Location: Online Zoom meeting link

(1) Call to Order

Meeting called to order at: 10:03 am

(2) Roll Call

Kyle Komarynsky
Celina Bell
Emily Dishart
Alex Johnston
Courtney McLaughlin
Kimia Jalilvand
Jana Chouinard
Lucas Johnson
Arwant Kang
Jaicee Payette

(3) Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting

(4) President Report (Celina)

1. Responding to the Law student society from UBC

- The school will not be taking a position.
 - s. 16 is not contentious, accepting part 5 is ok, the entire controversy is over accepting part 4 which includes overtime, breaks, etc.
 - Originally this motion was brought forward to bring articling students under the employment standards act, but has been revised to section 16 part 4 and part 5.
 - It was proposed that it is too soon for TRU Law to take a position on this because we haven't had a chance to canvas the student body yet.
 - This is something that is outside just TRU law, it doesn't affect just our faculty, it affects our faculty out towards UBC and UVIC and therefore it seems only appropriate to canvas the student body and ensure that they are informed.
 - One of the main issues that this motion tries to address is enacting a minimum standard so that the uneven bargaining tables between articling students and firms is relatively stabilized.
 - It was stated that this motion seems very rushed in their ask for a position from law schools.
 - Many view points from different board members were brought forward, furthering the idea that we are not prepared to vote on this matter without bringing it to the student body.
 - It was proposed that the SLS will write to the president of UBC to thank them for reaching out but to ask that our name be removed from the letter for now because we do not believe we can properly canvas the student body.
- It was agreed on that the SLS is not comfortable having our name on this letter, we will canvas the student body, but we will not be making any promises that we will have a solid decision anytime in the near future.

2. Elections Policy

-Positions in 3.9 that require one year experience on the board, for the treasurer positions it was added that you don't necessarily need board experience but prior business and professional experience would suffice.

-If we make a requirement that 3 of the 12 positions have to come from people who have previously been on the board we risk having vacant seats.

-It was suggested that maybe we should narrow how long elections are open for, do we need 7 days of open voting?

-Elections take 3 weeks total right now, which seems quite long. This could be a product of having students vote in person in the past, therefore we should scale it down to adapt to the new online environment.

-3 days was agreed to be appropriate for voting, and 3 days for speeches and 3 days for time between voting and speeches.

-No campaigning by another other method other than the speech and email. This was meant to capture people who would try and ask for votes from people through posters, etc. It was agreed that campaigning should be limited to stating that you're running but no extra efforts to actively campaign.

-Add that a candidate can say they are running on their own social media accounts and inform the student body directly that they are running by word of mouth.

3.2(b) – Call for nominees will continue to be open for a week

-Will change to 48 hours to deny or accept instead of 24 hours, no response will be deemed a denial.

3. Voting platform

-The voting platform used last year seemed to work without many issues.

4. Official voting on new election policy

-Motion brought forth, seconded, and no members are opposed.

(5) Reports from Internal Directors

(a) Vice Presidents

(a.1) VP fundraising—Courtney Mclaughlin

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(a.2) VP Academic Alexandra Johnston

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(b) Class Representatives

(b.1) 1L (Kyle)

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(b.2) 2L (Maximillian)

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(b.3) 3L (Arwant)

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(d) Events (Kimia)

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(e) Chair of Student-life (Will)

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(6) External Reports

(a) ILSA (Jana)

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(b) Communications and Marketing Officer (Jaicee)

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(7) Financial Report (Lucas)

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(8) Conference (Emily)

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(9) Other Business

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