

**Minutes**

**March 30, 2022**

**12:30 PM EST**

**Zoom**

**Present: Alex Mulligan (Chair), Jordan Crocker, Nushrah Amod, Christina Tassopoulos, Courtney Cameron, Valentina Galvis, Imani Theodore, Jessica Li**

**Regrets: Kelly Tal Bilenkis, Armon Ghaeinizadeh, Danielle Landry, Mario Lofrano, Hillary Song, Chloe Duggal**

**Call to Order (1:40 pm)**

\*Land Acknowledgement read by A. Mulligan\*

**President's Items**

Updates Roundtable

Alex: In the interest of time, we will skip the updates roundtable today. We have to vote on honorariums for O-Week Co-Chairs, the CEO, and maybe the JCR bar manager and bartender even though they were unable to operate at all, but they did do some work in cleaning the storage room and doing inventory. We also have to ratify the election results. L&L is considered the presidential regulation for student government and that means we have to ratify all election and referendum results. Caveat: in previous years, election results have been ratified as soon as they have been received by student gov. But as per our constitution. We are supposed to wait 48 hours, but we have been ratifying immediately. Also the CEO told the student body that results will be released today. In the transition materials, we will have to fix that for the future.

Huge shout out to Leanne, she has worked very hard this year with very tight turnaround times.

*Song entered at 1:47.*

Jess: If the majority of us are conflicted out of voting, how do we have quorum?

Alex: Our constitution only refers to quorum for attendance at the meeting, not for voting.

Jordan: We did change the exception in the constitution to allow people that are running again to vote to ratify.

Alex: The results are as follows:

**Legal & Lit**

President – Courtney Cameron

VP Internal – Ayesha Khanna

VP External – Jessica Li

Treasurer – Damiana Pavone

Secretary – Melissa Paglialunga

Social Convenor – Danielle Landry

Equity Officer – Hillary Song

2L Rep – Rose Wang

3L Rep – Christina Tassopoulos

**Student Caucus**

2L Reps – Robert Dziarmaga, Dalraj Gill, Vishmayaa Jeyamoorthy, Tripat Sandhu, Kirti Vyas

3L Reps – Aya Fahmi, Annie Hu, Jaylene Olson, Herman Wong

**Student Senator**

Rose Wang

***Motion: THAT the Legal and Literary Society ratifies the election results for the 2022-2023 year***

**(Mulligan/Amod) CARRIED.**

Armon: why is it that the raw numbers aren't presented when ratifying results?

Alex: The raw numbers are confidential

Honorariums

Alex: Orientation Week, CEO, then JCR Bar.

With regards to O-week, we had three chairs this year: Chloe Duggal, Adam Donaldson, Devin Glinn. They worked very very hard on O-week this year. It was a mess in the sense that we did not know if it would be in person or online and it required about double the work. In the past we have given 500 dollars to each, and now we will be giving another 500 than normal. Last year, we did 350 between three people. I think based on all of the work that went into O-week this year that we give each chair \$500 for a total expense of \$1500. Anything over 500 dollars, it becomes taxable but under it will not be \*\*Alex may be wrong, Mario needs to confirm.

Jordan: I don't think the three chairs did work equally, but that's maybe too arbitrary.

Alex: I did ask the co-chairs to send me a breakdown of who did what and I never received anything so without any information, we have to give an equal amount.

***MOTION: THAT the Legal & Literary Society provides each of the three O-Week Co-Chairs with \$500 as an honorarium.***

**(Mulligan/Crocker) CARRIED.**

Alex: With regards to CEO, Leanne had a lot of work to do. She managed very tight turn arounds. Then took on additional work with the referendum working with York. We have a constitutional deadline for when 1L elections

Nush: How is CEO selected?

Alex: the SC chair and L&L president decide. We put out a call for applications in August and then we decide.

Jordan: Normally, we only give \$250 dollars for the CEO honorarium, but are only increasing this year because of the large amount of work she did this year.

***MOTION: THAT the Legal & Literary Society provides a \$350 honorarium for the CEO.***

**(Mulligan/Crocker) CARRIED.**

Alex: JCR Bar Managers. The outgoing bar manager hires the next one and then the next one hires a bartender. Probably not helpful to look at last year because Victor was given a lot. In September, the bar manager and bartender cleaned out the storage room, took inventory of the bar and there were costs that Osgoode needed to cover. They multiple times had to order, pick up orders, and cancel orders in planning to open the bar, which never happened. I propose we give \$250 to the JCR Bar Manager

and \$200 to the Bartender. The bar manager does a couple additional tasks that is the reason why I thought they might deserve a bit of a difference. Typically, they don't get an honorarium because typically they get tips. But when everything is back in full swing, they will be able to get their tips.

Jordan: For transparency, what did Victor get last year?

Alex: I think like \$500 or \$600. Let's check the previous minutes.

Jordan: Victor got \$200.

Christina: Yeah, it was \$200 last year.

**MOTION: That the Legal & Literary Society provides \$200 dollars to both the JCR Bar Manager and JCR Bartender as an honorarium.**

**(Mulligan/Crocker) CARRIED.**

#### 1L Formal

Alex: Re 1L Formal. I will first note that the whole COVID outbreak thing has been blown out of proportion. We have only been informed of 4 people in 2L and 4 people in 3L. There is likely more, but not an insane amount. The Deans were concerned. They want to move the semester online, but they cannot do that unless they have data to know there are COVID outbreaks in the community. The Deans wanted to know how they can essentially pay us to break the contract with the Drake and not have the event go forward. The 1Ls made persuasive arguments last night to try and still have the event. The Deans ultimately decided that they were pulling their approval for the event on Thursday. The Drake venue said they would be willing to move the event within a 60 day window with a \$3000 charge and the admin has offered to pay that charge and the new date is May 4<sup>th</sup>. The new exec will have to take this over, but I will be there to help. A new wrench is that the system has refunded everyone in 1L and we will have to re-sell tickets. If there is someone saying they did not get a refund, they put in a wrong email. Check their bank accounts for the refund. We will have to reopen ticket sales. I will make sure that the ticket page goes up.

Hillary: So I assume we will lose some revenue. Will L&L cover that?

Alex: yes, we will have to figure out a way to get that money either from L&L or the Deans.

#### **Social Convenor Items**

##### Lincoln Alexander School of Law Pub Night Collab

Courtney: Pub night planned with Ryerson for April 7<sup>th</sup>. I think I'm going to cancel it because with everything going on, I don't want to rub it in the 1Ls faces that we cancelled their event and now we have pub night. But we still have a connection made with Lincoln Alexander.

#### **Treasurer Items**

1L Treasurer

\*\*must be skipped because Mario was not in attendance.

#### **Other Business**

VP External

Jordan: I would like to bring the following motion:

**MOTION: THAT The Legal and Literary Society affirms and clarifies that any decisions relating to the clubs account or club budget made from Fall 2020 to the end of the Winter 2022 academic terms are non-precedent setting. While the decisions can be used as guidelines, future executive boards will not be held to them.**

**(Crocker/Tassopoulos) CARRIED.**

Alex: Yes, I agree we did make a lot of decisions we normally wouldn't have so I don't want the next exec to be held to that.

Jordan: Don't want the clubs to hold you to that as well

Nush: Budget decisions with regards to the equity clubs should have the equity officer involved.

Alex: we will have a transition meeting in May.

***MOTION: THAT the meeting be adjourned.***

**(Crocker/Amod) CARRIED.**

***Adjournment (2:32 pm)***