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Legal & Literary Society 2025-2026
Agenda & Minutes

September 24, 2025
1:30-2:30PM EST
https://yorku.zoom.us/j/94678380633

In Attendance: Arimie Min, Natasha Knudsen, Elad Dekel, Karth Gautam, Jayme Robinson, Alex Wilson, Sleiman Oweis, Ava Taborda, Katherine Hutchinson
Excused: Jamie Lynn Galley
Missing In Action:

Agenda (*Anticipated Length 1h/Actual Length 1h***):**

Attendance, Quorum Check, and Call to Order (5m)
Arimie motioned to start meeting, and Kat seconded.

1) President's Remarks & Items (40m)

Arimie begins with mentioning that Kat & Jamie are preparing the JCR bar crew; Arimie thanks Elad for supporting the finance side of the preparation. Then Arimie brings up Sleiman's documentary screening which is planned for next Tuesday September 30th. Sleiman says that he will send the graphic to Kat and there are clubs on board to collaborate for that. Next discussed is the VP-E vacancy. Arimie notes that we all saw Rachel's message that she is stepping down. She states that ratification of clubs is the first task of VP-E that must be done. Arimie addresses that a student wants to start a trial advocacy club, though we already have an advocacy club. - Arimie will look into the documents to see if there are distinguishing features from the current club. Arimie asks how we want to make a decision. Jayme suggests asking to differentiate. Kat then mentions how hockey is under the osgoode hall athletics association. Ava raises that a few students wanted to do mock trials but that there was an issue of how to do this and not have it called mock trial. Karth mentions he is in touch with those from undergrad who did mock trials. Jayme says if it's not mock trial related, then they should refer to the advocacy club. Alex says to get in touch with existing execs to see how it's different, and that there are many business clubs so it makes sense to allow more advocacy clubs.

On the topic of Pathways, Arimie asks Natasha to create a Pathways survey to the student body and collaborate with clubs and include it in the upcoming newsletter.

Arimie then discusses general club outreach re office and storage space needs. Arimie mentions that there should be a survey or all clubs meeting about storage each club needs, start with storage. Arimie asks how we should settle on a booking platform. Jayme brings up the issue of confidentiality with a google form or calendar. Elad and Arimie say that this is for storage. Elad adds that people will see what is booked, how long in advance on how far ahead they can book, they cannot book, and if only signing officers can book. Arimie asks how we can best decide on how much advance notice. Elad says we can send a survey, and raises if the secretary wants to book on behalf of signing officers. Alex adds to ask clubs how much storage space they are currently using. Arimie raises special events where more advance notice could be appropriate, for example, Mock Trial and OWN's McCarthys mixer. Arimie asks about OPSC and Jayme: if her and Grace discussed further after their meeting on Monday. Jayme requests a written proposal. Jayme adds that OPSC has not come to a decision but spoke to Grace and once we see the documents that takes into account our needs without harming confidentiality. On Mock Trial, Arimie adds that they have concerns about the transition that the equipment donated temporarily by students need to be somewhere safe, and that before one of the behind the moot court rooms was used as a changeroom. We want to make sure they are able to do all the same things. She then adds that for OWN during specific events they need a meeting room and that clubs are in general wondering timing of this transition. Arimie mentions the priority of moving trophies/sports equipment from the MC room that needs the repair service request and that she has contacted Murria to ask to go ahead with the service request. Arimie suggests we do it this week as O-Week boxes are in the storage room, OEO said service takes 1-2 weeks. Elad and O-Week team are thanked by Arimie for moving the boxes to the storage room. Arimie and Elad bring up the possibility of renting lockers in the basement as a back up plan in the case that additional storage is needed, although this is unlikely since OEO would like to support the transition and is willing to provide additional storage space.

Arimie then mentions the SRR: SASSL levy use and that this used to be a York service, certain faculties contribute to this service but the organization has since folded. More info will be provided at the next meeting. Osgoode does not contribute to this, but will be part of the discussion on how to spend the collected levy for a similar service.

Arimie mentions that there will be a review of how referendums in York are done, and that we replied that L&L would like to send a rep, will have to wait, currently specific requirements for referendums, had to be sent to SSR to decide if brought to student body, and asks if would anyone like to be the rep. Alex volunteers.

Then Arimie discusses the Weekly office hours and that instead of a shared calendly, it may be simpler to have each person tell webmaster the office hours you want to provide, then the L&L website can list under each person the office hours + personal calendly link but that she is open to other ideas.

Then Law Games 2026 is discussed. Arimie says that we have not received confirmation but will receive shortly and Jamie will be sitting in on an information session.

Arimie then mentions the Obiter Dicta column and asks if anyone is interested in contributing. Karth says he has already prepared an article. Elad asks what it is about. Karth responds that it is about travelling in Lisbon. Elad asks for confirmation that it is only to be about student politics. Alex says that he spoke with Lina and it should be student government related. Kat says she may write something. Karth says that we could write about upcoming events.

Regarding printing support for students, Elad mentions that we found a printer that will be effective. We looked into the student caucus printer but it's antiquated. To use the new printer will cost 1-2 cents per page. He says that we need it to work in bursts and it needs high yield for toner. We brainstorm on the best way to get summaries, like the library here, we could have them confirm through osgoode emails. Arimie then asks where would the printer go? In the office? Or in the hallway? Elad suggests designated hours to pick up so nobody should feel like their summaries will be taken. Karth and Arimie spoke about getting sponsorship for the printer.

2) Additional Items (10m)

- JCR Bar Nights
    - Jcr time
    - Kat states that we have two bartenders. We need to clean the JCR. She discusses how to have better attendance, possibly with theme nights, sports, trivia, mariokart, boardgame night. The bartenders proposed theme cocktails. They hope to finish the inventory soon. Arimie thanks O-week team for the donated boardgames. Elad states that we can clean the kegs in the JCR. Jamie sent the receipt of the fridge that should've been fixed last year to Elad so we can follow up with the repair company

on why they are not actually fixed. Kat will ask Jamie about the first event. Karth asks about movie nights. Elad mentions that we need to see what the clubs are and ratify them, and that he has reached out to clubs for instructions. Karth would be fun to collaborate with the film club to do a movie night in the JCR. Jayme mentions chess club and Karth talks about a collaboration with billiards.

Arimie: Osgoode bar night potentially Oct 10th, headed by Jamie and that we are in conversation with Tri-campus Halloween Party and Tri-campus Ski Trip.

Elad: Club budgets timeline update goal is to get the budgets back to them early October. Some clubs have had events but their budget requests were approved ahead of time, SALSA and OHLU both were expedited.

Period project update (Kat)

- Kat then talks about the period project. She raises concerns that more may be being taken than needed, that someone keeps throwing the pads into the trash in the male washroom. She will message AD Bhatia and do an Instagram post, and would love to hear all suggestions.
- Jamie states we were supposed to have a dispenser installed.
- Since not all washrooms can realistically have dispensers installed immediately, Arimie suggests at least to install in the gender neutral washroom. Jamie mentions that the discussion last year was to prioritize the main floor.

Kat asks if anyone can help with how to approve messages on facebook. Arimie says she can look into it.

3) Student Caucus Chair's Remarks & Items (0m)

- Alex mentions nothing relevant to share but that for the first time since 2011, more students ran for caucus than L&L.

4) Final Action Items (5m)

Arimie: We will onboard the 1Ls for our next meeting.

Arimie motioned to adjourn, and Kat seconded.