

**MANITOBA LAW STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION COUNCIL MINUTES**  
**October 10, 2013**  
**12:00pm**  
**Room 308 - Robson Hall**

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**Attending:**

Peter Anandranistakis – *President \**  
Melissa Cattini – *Vice-President\**  
Zoe Abreder – *Treasurer \**  
Blair Vincent – *Executive Director \**  
Rob Prokopanko – *Communications Director*  
Serena Ehrmantraut – *MALSA Representative*  
Brynne Thordarson – *Chair*  
Sarah Thomson – *3<sup>rd</sup> Year Representative*  
Geoff Schneider – *2<sup>nd</sup> Year Representative*  
Jesse Epp-Fransen – *1<sup>st</sup> Year Representative*  
Adam Gingera – *1<sup>st</sup> Year Representative*  
Agapi Mavridis – *1<sup>st</sup> Year Representative*  
Miranda Grayson – *Social Committee (Chair)*

Nicole Drayton – *Social Committee*  
Connor Levy – *Professional Development Committee (Chair)*  
Josh Bokhaut – *MBA Representative*  
Zachary Courtemanche – *Senator*  
Matthew Carvell – *UMSU Representative*  
Stacy Senkbeil – *Community Outreach (Chair)*  
Danielle Barchyn – *Marketing Committee (Chair)*  
Benji Greenberg – *Graduation Committee*  
Kevin Mehi – *Sports Committee (Chair)*  
Aaron Maister – *Sports Committee*  
Heather Wadsworth – *Social Committee*  
Shasta Benaim – *Yearbook Committee*  
Megan Smith – *Graduation Committee (Chair)*

**Regrets:**

Jaclyn Lawrence – *3<sup>rd</sup> Year Representative*  
Tashia Dreger – *Yearbook Committee (Chair)*  
Kyle Emond – *Strategic Relations Committee (Chair)*  
Kevin Schulz – *Strategic Relations Committee*

**Absent:**

Jena Colpitts – *2<sup>nd</sup> Year Representative*  
Ambre Anjoubault – *Community Outreach*  
Stephanie Chan – *Professional Development Committee*  
Bryton Moen – *Professional Development Committee*  
Sean Restall – *Marketing Committee*  
Jordan Smith – *Strategic Relations Committee*

\* denotes members of the Executive Committee

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**1. Call to Order:** at 12:21pm

**1.1 Approval of July 23, 2013 Minutes:** Cattini/Abreder **Carried**  
Courtemanche abstained

**1.2 Approval of Agenda:** Abreder/Cattini **Carried**  
Courtemanche abstained

## **2. Reports**

### **2.1 President – Peter E. Anandranistakis**

- i. CGC Funding Meeting
- ii. Law Society of Manitoba – Articling Task Force
- iii. Canada Law Students Society
- iv. Important Upcoming Events

#### **Questions/Comments:**

Considering November 7<sup>th</sup> as the next MLSA Meeting and Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> for the December MLSA meeting.

### **2.2 Vice-President – Melissa Cattini**

- i. Welcome to the new 1L Reps!
- ii. United Way & Community Involvement Speakers – Wednesday, October 23rd

#### **Questions/Comments:** None

### **2.3 Treasurer – Zoe Abreder**

- i. Budget Completion

#### **Questions/Comments:** None

### **2.4 Executive Director – Blair Vincent**

- i. Clubs Governance Committee (CGC)

#### **Questions/Comments:** None

### **2.5 Social Committee – Miranda Grayson, Heather Wadsworth, Nicole Drayton**

- i. Med-Law
- ii. Call to the Bar

#### **Questions/Comments:**

Call to the Bar will be November 16<sup>th</sup>, at Finns at the Forks  
Social Committee noted that there may not be a theme for this event.

### **2.6 Communications Director – Rob Prokopanko**

- i. Nothing to Report

#### **Questions/Comments:** None

### **2.7 MALSA Representative – Serena Ehrmantraut**

- i. Lunch with Justice Murray Sinclair
- ii. Round Table Event

#### **Questions/Comments:** None

### **2.8 UMSU Representative – Matt Carvell**

- i. Will report
  - a. The motion to ban the student group was defeated, so they are still a student group

- b. UMSU plans on lobbying the administration
  - c. UMSU is passing a policy to deal with this so that there is a set of rules for these types of situations in the future.
- ii. Strike Vote
- a. The University of Manitoba Faculty has voted to strike, it doesn't mean that they are on strike now but they have the ability to call a strike.

**Questions/Comments:**

Greenberg asked if this would affect sessional instructors.

Carvell answered that it would not but they might choose to not cross the picket line.

Senkbeil noted that the sessional instructors may have a separate mandate to teach so they may hold classes in another place.

Carvell noted that you should be looking at your emails to determine what's happening at the University.

Courtemanche noted that he spoke to Dean Fainstein and she said that in previous years classes have been held at the Law Society.

**2.9 MBA Representative – Josh Bokhaut**

- i. Call for volunteers

**Questions/Comments:** None

**2.10 Senator – Zachary Courtemanche**

- i. Senate Meeting – October 2 2013
  - a. Senate did approve on principal to the idea of a “super-dean”

**Questions/Comments:** None

**2.11 Third-Year Representatives – Sarah Thomson, Jaclyn Lawrence**

- i. Nothing to report

**Questions/Comments:** None

**2.12 Second-Year Representatives – Jena Colpitts, Geoff Schneider**

- i. Nothing to report

**Questions/Comments:** None

**2.13 First-Year Representatives – Jesse Epp-Fransen, Adam Gingera, Agapi Mavridis**

- i. Nothing to report

**Questions/Comments:** None

**2.14 Marketing Committee – Danielle Barchyn, Sean Restall**

- i. Robson Hall Clothing
- ii. First Year Merchandise
- iii. Event Designing/Planning

**Questions/Comments:**

Agapi asked what they would be providing for sale.

Barchyn answered that there would be sweats, hoodies, t-shirts and toques.

Mehi asked if it will be American Apparel?

Barchyn answered it would not be American Apparel but it is better quality and same price.

Bokhaut asked if there would golf shirts?

Barchyn answered not this term but possibly next term.

Courtemanche asked if the designs have been finalized?

Barchyn answered that the designs are not finalized but are going to be similar to last year

Barchyn said that the colours are going to be black grey and blue.

Carvell asked if the shirts are V-Necks?

Barchyn answered no.

### **2.15 Community Outreach Committee – Stacy Senkbeil, Ambre Anjoubault**

- i. Terry's Cause on Campus
- ii. Movember
- iii. Wishmaker's Walk (Children's Wish Foundation)

**Questions/Comments:** None

### **2.16 Graduation Committee – Megan Smith, Benji Greenberg**

- i. Nothing to report

**Questions/Comments:** None

### **2.17 Sports Committee – Kevin Mehi, Aaron Maister**

- i. Winnipeg Blue Bombers Game

**Questions/Comments:** None

### **2.18 Yearbook Committee – Tashia Dreger, Shasta Benaim**

- i. Yearbook Photos
  - a. Will be taking place in the common room January 20-24, and grad photos will be taken then as well. The cover will be maroon.

**Questions/Comments:** None

### **2.19 Professional Development Committee – Connor Levy, Bryton Moen, Stephanie Chan**

- i. Nothing to report

**Questions/Comments:** None

### **2.20 Strategic Relations Committee – Kyle Emond, Kevin Schulz, Jordan Smith**

- i. Inaugural Law Banquet

**Questions/Comments:** None

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## **3. New Business:**

### **i. MOTION #1 - Motion to approve Student Club Funding Applications**

After reviewing the submitted Student Club Funding Applications, the Clubs Governance Committee recommends the approval of the funding tiers, on a reimbursement basis, of the following groups as follows:

- RH Bilingual Students' Association – Tier 3 - \$300
- Business Law Group – Tier 3 - \$300
- Christian Legal Fellowship – Tier 2 - \$100
- RH Debate Society – Tier 3 - \$300

- Feminist Legal Forum – Tier 3 - \$300
- RH Jets – Tier 3 - \$300
- Manitoba Aboriginal Law Students' Association – Tier 3 - \$300
- Outlaws – Tier 3 - \$300
- Philosophy Club – Tier 1 - \$0
- Student Advocates for Justice – Tier 3 - \$300
- Mediators Beyond Borders – Tier 3 - \$300
- Pro Bono Students Canada Association – Tier 1 - \$0
- RH Safe Schools Alliance – Tier 1 - \$0
- RH Foosball League – Tier 1 - \$0
- University of Manitoba Faculty of Law Student Animal Legal Defense Fund – Tier 1 - \$0

“WHEREAS the Clubs Governance Committee recommends the club funding for each of the respective aforementioned groups, which requires approval by the MLSA Council,

BE IT RESOLVED that the aforementioned groups be approved for the respective tier of funding, on a reimbursement basis for the 2013-2014 year.”

**Questions/Comments:** None

MOTION #1 - Vincent/Anandranistakis

**Carried**

ii. **MOTION #2 - Motion to approve the 2013-2014 MLSA Budget**

WHEREAS the MLSA Executive has prepared a budget as per the MLSA Constitution requirements,

AND WHEREAS, the MLSA Executive Committee wants to ensure that it is able to adjust accordingly based on its general overview, and also based on the financial situation of the MLSA,

BE IT RESOLVED that the MLSA Council approves the MLSA Budget based on its current version presented to MLSA Council; and

BE IT FURTHER RESVOLVED that the MLSA Executive Committee shall be able to adjust the budget and potential revenues and expenditures based on its discretion; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that MLSA Council approves all expenditures for the 2013-2014 term of Council that are authorized by the MLSA Executive Committee in the MLSA Executive Committee’s process for reimbursement or payment.

**Questions/Comments:**

Anandranistakis noted that the budget in the current version is the one present at the meeting today.

Courtemanche asked if the budget is not passed today, does the MLSA get shut down?

Anandranistakis answered that the budget has to be passed by October 15, 2013 so it may require another meeting to pass the budget before that date.

Courtemanche asked what the Fort Garry Fee was on page 3.

Abreder answered that it is the grad cost that the Fort Garry charges to have grad at their event.

Bokhaut asked if the motion allows the executive the discretion to change anything on the budget without bringing it to Council.

Anandranistakis answered that it would allow the Executive to change the budget where there is a surplus or where the executive feels funds should be redirected to.

MOTION #2 - Anandranistakis/Abreder **Carried**

Josh Bokhaut, Jesse Epp-Fransen abstained.

**4. Old Business:** None

**5. Announcements:**

**6. Notice of Next Meeting:**

- i. Rob Prokopanko will contact MLSA Members with notice of next meeting.

**7. Adjournment:** Cattini/Ehrmantaut at 12:59pm **Carried**

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