

MANITOBA LAW STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION COUNCIL MINUTES

May 24, 2012

7:07- 7:57pm

Room 308 - Robson Hall

Name	Present	Regrets	Name (Non-Voting Members)	Present	Regrets
Samir Hassan <i>(President)*</i>	X		Janelle Hoffman <i>(Marketing Chair)</i>	X	
Stephen Myher <i>(Vice-President)*</i>	X		Blair Vincent <i>(Social Chair)</i>		X
Christine Arnold <i>(Treasurer)*</i>		X	Brynne Thordarson <i>(Social Committee)</i>		X
Heather Fast <i>(Executive Director)*</i>	X		Kelsey Cram <i>(Social Committee)</i>		X
Kamini Dowe <i>(Chair)</i>		X	Melissa Cattini <i>(Community Outreach Chair)</i>		X
Kyle Harder <i>(Communications Director)</i>	X		Theresa Cannon <i>(Community Outreach Committee)</i>	X	
Jayne Menzies/Janine Seymour <i>(MALSA Representative)</i>		X	Connor Levy <i>(Sports Chair)</i>	X	
Peter Anandranistakis <i>(MBA Representative)</i>	X		Sarah Crabbe <i>(Grad Chair)</i>	X	
Stefan Bounket <i>(Senate Representative)</i>		X	Lynn Donnelly <i>(Grad Committee)</i>	X	
Justin Kusyk <i>(UMSU Representative)</i>	X		Jordan Smith <i>(Yearbook Chair)</i>		X
Greg Sacks <i>(Third-Year Representative)</i>	X		Leah Klassen <i>(Yearbook Committee)</i>		X
Spencer Chimuk <i>(Third-Year Representative)</i>		X			
Shasta Benaim <i>(Second-Year Representative)</i>		X			
Andrea Rous <i>(Second-Year Representative)</i>	X				

* denotes MLSA Executive Committee Members

	WHO
1. Call to Order	
1.1 Approval of last week's minutes	Greg & Kyle
1.2 Agenda Approval	Greg & Justin

2. Reports

2.1 President - Samir Hassan

i. Funding

- list of previous sponsors, new firms/organizations
- Royal Bank: trying to maintain relationship
- MBA: will continue to sponsor the Champagne Reception
- Student Funding?

ii. Room 113

- same size as common room
- cleaning it out this summer, we are trying to secure it for student use.
- proposal will be put forth soon
- Andrea will be conducting research

iii. Faculty Council Meetings

- First faculty council meeting of new year
- voting members: P; VP; 1st, 2nd, 3rd year reps; MALSA
- please try to attend all meetings if you have a vote. If not we will arrange for someone to attend on your behalf

iv. Extended Library Hours

- Kyle is going to research the library hours at other schools

v. Financial Authority

- still don't have authority
- cannot make any purchases until we get control
- for now: let the EC know before you spend anything.

2.2 Vice President - Stephen Myher

i. Faculty Council Meeting (May 15th)

- we will let you know if there is any important information

ii. Meeting with Administration

- Orientation Week
- Stephen will be the contact
- please let him know if you have any input about last year's events or any ideas for this year's Week.

2.3 Treasurer - Christine Arnold

i. No Report

2.4 Executive Director - Heather Fast

i. Submit Reports 48 hours in advance

ii. MLSA e-forms

- I will try to get all forms available online (MLSA website)

iii. Student Group Guide

2.5 Communications Director - Kyle Harder

i. Correspondence Notice and Content

- try and have 2 business days' notice if you would like him to do anything (send out communications etc)
- I will be editing the grammar, format etc of what you send to me but will be very careful not to change the message

ii. Meeting Communications

- please let him know ASAP if you are unable to attend a meeting

iii. Website Profiles

- will be getting to together a survey so that we can put the information on the website.
- want to keep the information fun but appropriate

iv. Outline Updates

- biggest issue with the website is the fact that the outlines are very outdated.
- looking to update the outlines
- feedback as to how we should collect the old outlines is welcome
- also if you have old outlines to submit
- possible password (PDF password?)
- possible issue: old students not wanting their old outlines online
- solution: remove names from outlines
- Greg will look into the legal issues involved and will let Kyle know

2.6 MALSA Representative - Jayme Menzies/Janine Seymour

i. No Report

2.7 MBA Rep - Peter Anandranistakis

i. MBA Council Meeting (April 19)

- only major issue: possible membership fee change (stay at \$20 or may become free)
- more discussion will be done on this issue
- strategy plan was discussed, possible slogans
- new program: rural student scholarship - possibly a rural student will be able to apply to have part of their tuition covered and also possibly secure a summer position in their hometown.

ii. MBA Rep/Co-ordinator Meeting (May 10)

- new initiative" get MBA member to discuss practicalities of law school and starting work. Discussion will continue
- Focus: Mentorship event - Champagne Reception

2.8 Senate Representative - Stefan Bounket

i. No Report

2.9 UMSU Representative - Justin Kusyk

i. First meeting

- mainly introductory stuff, exec seem to have good handle on things
- loan was approved for Degrees to get a locker room (will be paid for by Degrees)
- Pub is open today
- Has joined the Finance, By-law, and Policy Committee.
- Will send out reminder emails about

Q: what is the finance committee?

- makes proposals on and approvals all the other committees funding

2.10 Third-Year Representatives

i. No Report

2.11 Second-Year Representatives - Shasta Benaim, Andrea

Q: When will the Coffeehouse video be available?

- Stephen will ask Thay

2.12 Marketing Chair - Janelle Hoffman

i. No Report

2.13 Social Committee

i. No Report

2.14 Community Outreach Committee

i. Two Stream Approach

- a) Accessible Activities
 - bake sales, food hampers
- b) Volunteering in the Community
- ii. Frequency of Events
- iii. Possible Projects
 - Suit Drive
 - Melissa has contact that makes custom suits. Part of proceeds would go to Charity
 - still in the process of being approved
 - Charity Run
- iv. Future Events
 - Halloween Fundraiser (Oct) UNICEF
 - Hampers (Nov) Christmas Cheer Board
 - Bake sale (Nov)
 - Toy Drive (Nov)
 - Candy Grams (Feb) Heart and Stroke Foundation
 - March Madness Bracket Competition (Mar)
- v. Volunteering Opportunities
 - pet shelters, mentorship for youth, mission/soup kitchen work
 - Binder of volunteering opportunities (MLSA office)
- vi. Twitter
- vii. Collaborative Projects
 - will be sending out informative emails about upcoming events
 - would like input as to which charities we should focus our donations on or any of the ideas discussed today.
- 2.15 Graduation Committee
 - i. No Report
- 2.16 Sports Committee
 - i. No Report
- 2.17 Yearbook Committee
 - i. Lifetouch Photos
 - ii. Yearbook Software Tutorial
 - iii. CU Advertising

3. New Business

3.1 Motion for the Interpretation of “present”

- Be it resolved that the word “present” in Article XII, paragraph 7 of the Constitution of the Manitoba Law Students’ Association be interpreted as follows:

“present” means

- (a) physically in the room; or
- (b) when physical presence is not possible due to a person being outside of the City of Winnipeg at the time of the meeting, is able, through other means, to see and/or hear and/or contribute to the discussion that has taken place surrounding an issue for which there will be a vote

Issues:

- a) are people going to be as attentive?
- b) should be limit to the outside the City of Winnipeg?
- to allow for individuals out of town to continue contributing to the meeting when they physically cannot attend (must have vote)

<p>c) change the second and/or to and? - no, should still be able to vote (ex. raising hand) without actually being able to speak/type. d) need for motion? - can we interpret the constitution without making it official? e) conference call technology? - logistics do not need to be figured out right now, just open it up to the possibility. (EC position) f) do students skyping in count as quorum? - not the intention, will be a slippery slope (EC position)</p> <p>3.2 MLSA Website - Kyle has updated the information on the website. - It looks really good.</p> <p>3.3 Communications between MLSA members - any communications from an EC member can be taken to be on behalf of all EC members.</p>	<p>TABLED - vote: F:5 -O:2 -A:0 Non-voting members: F: - O: - A:1</p>
<p>4. Notice of Next Meeting TBA - Kyle will contact members (June 27)</p>	
<p>5. Adjournment 7:57pm</p>	<p>Peter & Andrea</p>