

**LSS Meeting Minutes**  
**Tuesday October 17, 12:30pm**

**Attendance**

**LSS**

Alex Masse  
Will McClary  
Ian Gauthier  
Dan Babcock  
Ben Hopkins  
Lisa Grier  
Robyn Finley  
Laura Edwards  
Megan Chambers  
Rachelle Trenholm  
Sarah Jackson

**Non-LSS Members Attending**

Kean Silverthorne  
Veronica Martitius  
Kendra Marks  
Jessica Lee  
Emily MacKinnon  
Sylvie Vigneux

**Call to Order**

- Busy cutting lockers
- HAAC advocating for law students and other undergrads
- Robyn busy working with CBA mentorship
- Dan sent bio and photo to the website

**OutLaws Gender Inclusivity Initiative**

- Outlaws tries to represent LGBTQ+ community
- Proposal written in March when there were gender-nonconforming students who used binary pronouns
  - Now have a student who does not use binary pronouns and does not have a washroom they are comfortable using
- Terrible things happening to LGBTQ people internationally e.g. concentration camps
- Trinity Western going to SCC – Outlaws has intervenor status
- More pressing need for gender-inclusive washrooms to support students at this school
- Proposal sent in March and Deans responded in October
- Two requests:

- Asking ILSA and LSS to expedite issue of washroom signage (just the ones by the lounge) by telling Deans that further consultation is unnecessary
    - ILSA is supporting
  - Asking LSS to strike a committee to undertake consultation w/ wider community, address other concerns in proposal, and facilitate education etc.
    - Prefer to have the chair be a member of Outlaws
- What consultation has occurred so far?
  - UVIC community already has all gender multi-stall washrooms
    - Could follow up with UVSS or UVIC Pride
  - UVIC Law – grassroots consultation and conversation
  - Issue w/ faculty/ administration – no movement on their part
  - Lack of washroom excludes people from full public participation
    - Overwhelmingly seen as the biggest issue by trans or non-conforming people
    - 70% of trans people report getting assaulted in a washroom
- Alex motions that the LSS will support the proposal made by Outlaws to immediately move forward with gender inclusivity for washrooms on the main floor of Fraser
  - Seconded by Sarah
  - Friendly amendment to include creation of consultation committee in motion
  - Ian moves to table until next week
  - Dan seconds
  - Megan – options to vote over email so all members of LSS can be included?
  - Alex – even if student body disagrees it would be morally wrong not to support this proposal
  - Megan – LSS often does things unilaterally e.g. Appeal proposal
    - This has been well-research and well-proposed
  - Sylvie – what would occur if this is tabled and more consultation occurs?
    - Ian cross that bridge when we come to it
    - Education as the first step
  - Ian rescinds motion to table
    - Passing motion is a form of consultation in itself
    - Dan consents – suggests people in room agree and wait for others
    - Alex – doesn't work from a governance perspective
  - Can Laura vote
    - Yes. No money.
    - Has informed everyone of her potential bias
  - VOTING:
    - All in favour
    - Motion passes
- Is the proposal okay to be shared publicly?
  - Presidents of Outlaws agree

- Ian proposes to share with student body and discuss next week
  - Concerns around ramifications of making proposal public for gender-nonconforming student
- Sylvie - this is an opportunity for the LSS to show leadership on an issue that impacts health of an underrepresented group in the school
- Robyn - this isn't making a decision, it is indicating our support to the faculty, and that responsibility remains with faculty to determine what happens
- Megan – 1) questions around quorum, uncomfortable showing full support w/ reduced numbers; 2) If moving the motion today it should be tied to having the consultation committee established – strong duty on LSS to provide education and consultation

### **Motion to Fund Appeal Law Journal**

- Appeal asking LSS to enter into a sponsorship agreement
- Chelsea concerned about agreement being frustrated if podcast doesn't go ahead
  - Kean agrees to replace it with an ad
- Will motions to fund appeal
  - Megan seconds
  - All in favour
  - Laura and Bronwen abstain
  - Motion passes

### **Healthcare Audit and Advocacy Committee Update**

- Zach unable to attend because of conflicting meeting
- Next meeting will be advertised
- One of the strategies they're using is gaining voting rights

### **Events Calendar**

- LSS Office
  - Revamped w/ calendar and to do board
  - Big bulletin board to staple things to
- Online

### **Deer Fraser**

- Has been well-received
- Large improvement on last year
- Main source of information

### **Website**

- Calendar in office should reflect what is on the internet as well

### **LSAT Resources**

- Turkish immigrant looking for subsidized LSAT resources
- Contacted by Tim Richards

### **Other Business**

- Bronwen seeking to get the fridge cleaned

- Suggestion from Megan to staple agenda to bulletin board
  - Will lend credence to transparency

### **Recap**

### **Adjournment**