

## LSS Meeting Minutes - August 19th/20th, 2020

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m., via Zoom

Meeting Number: 0

### Agenda details:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Social Orientation Funding
  - Proposal to budget \$4000 from the LSS TD bank account for Orientation
- III. Presence of LSS at Opening Day (September 8th)
- IV. LSS Welcome Video
- V. Updating our BC Registries Board of Directors
- VI. Lobbying Work with the UVSS Update
- VII. In-Person Events

### Agenda Notes

I. Call to Order at 12:30 p.m.

**Attendance:** Daisy Fitzgerald, Micky Hoskin, Beatriz Albuquerque, Ray Lin, Patrick Mueller, Patricia Kalalo, Jisu Lee, Nancy Tran, Jake Henderson, Camille Lizette, Manveer Shergill, Shayla Praud, Vinson Shih, Gemma Walsh

II. LSS Social Orientation Funding

- Proposal to use funds from the LSS TD bank account, current balance \$34,233.
  - o The large positive balance in this account is due to an accumulation of unused funds from previous year's LSS operations.
  - o This balance does not usually fund LSS activities, and rather acts as a "float".
  - o Are we allowed to use these funds? Yes, as long as it is in furtherance of the society's activities (based on our bylaws and the Societies Act)
- Proposal to set aside \$4000 for Orientation to be used for shipping
  - o Any unused funds will be reabsorbed into the LSS float
  - o We will prioritize spending with sponsorship funds, and only when necessary use these LSS funds.
- This is an unprecedented use of the funds. Traditionally, orientation is exclusively funded through firm sponsorship. Given the circumstances of this year, our funding model had to be adapted dramatically.

- This proposal is not creating a precedent to use “float” funds for orientation
- Our virtual events have almost no cost, so the funding we have received from sponsors will cover printing of Orientation T-shirts, Firm Brochures, and everything else in the physical orientation package.
- This year we are planning on shipping each student their orientation package, and the shipping expenses is what we plan on using the internal LSS funds for.
  - Our estimate for shipping is between 3-4 thousand in total. (Around \$20-30 in shipping for each student, 150 students). We are planning to hold a pick-up of the packages as well for local students, to aim for the lower end of spending.
  - Shipping is done through the University of Victoria Mail System (which uses Canada Post)
- **Vote:**
  - Ray motions to bring to vote
  - Beatriz seconds
  - In favour of approving: 14 – unanimous

### III. Presence of LSS during Opening Day

- Usually the LSS team is present during and after the opening ceremonies to pass out orientation items and chat with students
- Dean Breau and Patricia Cochran (the organizer of legal process this year), are asking the LSS team to be on hand for September 8th (opening day).
- They are hoping the LSS reps can host a couple of zoom “rooms” in the afternoon to chat with students (the whole morning students will be sitting on zoom muted, listening to the admin talk, so this gives a good chance for them to have some interaction)
  - LSS reps will pair up in case some people can’t make it
- As provided by Patricia Cochran, the tentative schedule for September 8th is:
  - 10-11 opening ceremony
  - 11-12 [introductions from Amicus and Associate Dean’s office]
  - 1:30 – 2 Legal Process Small Groups
  - 2 -2:30 LSS tables

### IV. LSS Welcome Video

- In the same vein, we as the LSS team should make a welcome video that introduces each of us, our roles, and our contact information.
- Hoping to have the video ready and posted at the end of August.
- Open to any clever or fun ideas for the video!

### V. Updating our BC Registries Board of Directors

- As per the Societies Act which the LSS operates under, we must update the information for our board of directors.
- Please forward me your full name, along with your permanent address. I will send an email to your respective LSS accounts to follow up.

#### VI Lobbying Work with the UVSS Update

- We have 6-7 law students currently working with the UVSS working group.
- Attached is the initial letter the UVSS sent to the Saanich Police Board, which outlines their research, work, and goals. For those interested, I am happy to send along more details.  
[https://drive.google.com/file/d/1tuPIxj\\_oWCdd2Uz2RCY3ExpQQyB7Lz/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1tuPIxj_oWCdd2Uz2RCY3ExpQQyB7Lz/view?usp=sharing)
- This lobbying engagement is occurring locally in the municipality, but the UVSS plans on continuing this work at the provincial level as well.

#### VII. In-Person Events

- Given recent rise in cases, Dean Breau is not comfortable with the LSS or faculty endorsing in-person events.

End of meeting