

Executive Meeting - November 24, 2022

LSA Office from 12-1pm

Attendees - Alanna DeCorby, Azan Esmail, Emilio Filomeno, Emily Wagner, Grace Lo, Stephen Raitz, Kaitlyn Viteychuk, Inna Dymouriak-Tymashov, Alexander Akiki, Gabriella Gader, George Gagnon, Emily Szeryk, Chris Boodram, Joshua Kim, Damon Atwood **Regrets** - N/A

- Emilio calls meeting to order 12:04 pm
- Review November 17, 2022 Meeting Minutes
- Review November 24, 2022 Meeting Agenda
- General
 - Decision: FAMF proposal
 - Summarized engagement results for FAMF proposal below
 - Full results here
 - ~100 people responded
 - Majority expressed keeping fee the same (\$50)
 - Need 15% of student body to vote
 - Will need someone coordinating the FAMF vote
 - Maybe communicating where the fee gets allocated to would be good/Communicating the opt-out option (for next year)
 - Opt-out option should be explored more
 - \$50 fee passed unanimously
 - Discussion: Opportunity to raise any student feedback regarding Constitutional amendments
 - Summarized engagement results for Constitution amendments below
 - Full results here
 - Support for the JEDI group
 - Some confusion around the director positions
 - Discussion: Students concerned for folks experiencing homelessness congregating in Law Centre more Determine potential response
 - Example
 - Background: Homeless people using the law centre, some concerns raised
 - Need to balance support for disadvantaged communities and student safety
 - Engage students on some possible remedies; alert admin of the issue
- President
 - Meeting with Dean next week RE social media incident w/VP EDI
 - Call on Damon (1L Rep) to present his motion RE letter to Jeffries. (POSTPONED)
- VP Academic
 - PASS is over, it was a success!



- VP EDI
 - Billingsley mtg (info)
 - Potential CBA event (brief discussion)
 - President will be visiting, protocol on LSA involvement?
 - Recommend they contact Law Student Services for booking a space
 - LSA can promote/support
- VP External
 - [INSERT, PLEASE NOTE IF ITEM IS A DISCUSSION ITEM]
- VP Finance
 - [INSERT, PLEASE NOTE IF ITEM IS A DISCUSSION ITEM]
- ILSA Rep[☆]
 - ILSA concerns re: constitutional amendments
 - Most people don't fully understand the proposed changes
 - Issues with UofSask ILSA with Indigenous student group being lumped in with a general group
 - Concern: each group should have their own individual voting power
 - General Meeting November 25th
- VP General
 - Thanks to everyone for supporting constitutional engagement, related matter Office Hours scheduling for next semester to account for volunteer shifts
 - New student group grant fund close to maxing out
 - Initiating Winter student group grant fund for lunch in early January
- VP Services is
 - SEND US A PICTURE OF YOU IN A BLACK SHIRT! Emily & Gabby are the best (the only ones who have done this)
- VP Social
 - Med Mal Re cap :)
 - Last 2 days of classes christmas sweater day/hot chocolate, etc.
- VP Sports
 - Spin class on Nov 30th @745
 - Encourage people to sign up!
 - Winter Intramurals registration completed
- 1L Reps
 - MOVEMBER update
 - CAAWLS Midterm visit Dec 5th
 - 1L concerns: water fountains not cold enough. Men's bathroom door doesn't shut
- Next Meeting [DATE], 2022
- Emilio adjourns meeting at 12:54 pm





Appendix: FAMF proposal responses in graph format (Nov 23 at 3pm)

Written Responses:

- Quite frankly, I do not care for any fee at all. I do not drink, and all I ever hear from people is about the drinking that went on at the events that are supported by the LSA and how drunk they got. This is the reason I have never gone to an event hosted by the LSA. I would rather people pay for their own bloody drinks than have some of that cost coming out of my pocket. I'd rather spend the money to buy my kids a couple more toys instead of helping someone achieve a hangover.
- Honestly, as someone who does not attend LSA events because of how alcohol centred they are I don't really care to fund the events. HOWEVER, I would care a lot if there were more events that were actually about building community. So, on the last few years of LSA stuff, the money I paid was just \$50 on nothing but I understand the events provide value for others.
- Would've supported an option to increase the fee in order to provide more and better events
- I have enjoyed such great programmed from the LSA I would not want the budget to be reduced in any way.
- I think \$50 is insanely reasonable per person for the amount of events and programs the LSA puts on.
- The fee is still too high, especially for economically disadvantaged students and considering the general rise in tuition costs.
- As someone who has a very low income and has to budget carefully about what events I do attend in general, having a lower direct cost to myself would make a difference in how I choose to use my money. I generally don't attend many of the events that the LSA puts on because of financial constraints and having an upfront cost going towards events that I am not able to attend due to financial barriers is frustrating for me.
- I understand that the money could potentially go towards lowering overall costs, but if I am then not able to meet the financial barrier for entry later on it makes the point of lowering overall event costs moot for me.
- It seems obvious to me, if you pay less you should expect less back for it.
- I'd be fine to pay more



- If students continue to pay the full \$50 amount, I think making more low-barrier options for larger events should be offered for students. For example, Carbolic tickets last year were quite expensive and paying additional costs for events when we are paying high fees could pose barriers to many students. I don't mind paying the full amount, I think the LSA events are great opportunities to connect with fellow students, but I didn't got to Carbolic last year because the tickets were just too expensive on top of the related costs of having to get to the venue, buy a suitable outfit, ect. Offering options for students that take into account the reality that law school is already expensive would be what I would like to see from future events.
- We can afford to reduce the fee based on the surplus that we currently have. I also think the LSA should do a better job of showing where student funding is going. The VP Finance has done absolutely no public engagement on the budget or any explanation of where the funding goes.
- I think it's beneficial for students to pay the \$50 fee to the LSA as long as the money is actually being used for student initiatives, and not being kept away for "potential" future use.



Appendix: Constitutional amendments feedback (PRELIMINARY - FURTHER CONSULTATION WILL OCCUR)

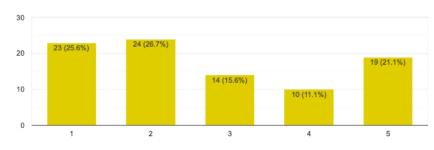
<u>Question 1/5</u>. The purpose of "Director" position is to give students further opportunities to be involved with the LSA (without needing to run for an election).

Are you supportive of the idea of "Director" positions?

Selecting "3" means you are indifferent.

Though the Director positions may not be directly described in the Constitution, they would likely be the operational result of the proposed changes because the Executive would need to delegate more work.

90 responses



1. Strongly supportive, 5. Strongly unsupportive

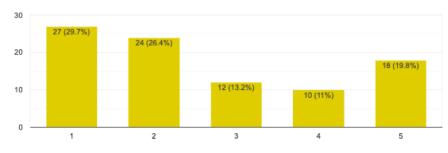
<u>Question 2/5</u>. The purpose of the JEDI Committee is to give students and student groups further opportunities to help shape the LSA.

Are you supportive of the idea of the JEDI Committee?

Selecting "3" means you are indifferent.

The JEDI Committee could or could not be explicitly described in the Constitution. It would likely be the operational result of the proposed changes because the Executive would need to delegate more work.

91 responses



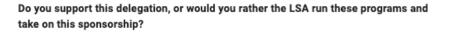
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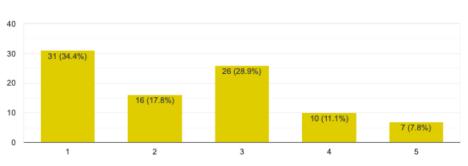


<u>Question 3/5</u>. If the Executive changes, we may work with student groups to delegate further programming and sponsorship opportunities in the Faculty. For example, a student group within the Faculty could volunteer to take on running "First Friday Back."



Selecting "3" means you are indifferent.

90 responses



1. I strongly want the LSA to run these programs and take on these sponsorships

5. I strongly want student groups to run these programs and take on these sponsorships to student groups

<u>Question 4/5</u>. Under proposed changes, there is no clear place to delegate Locker responsibility. If the LSA did not facilitate Locker access, it is unclear if the Faculty would do so.

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Are you concerned about the potential for the LSA to not facilitate locker access in future years?

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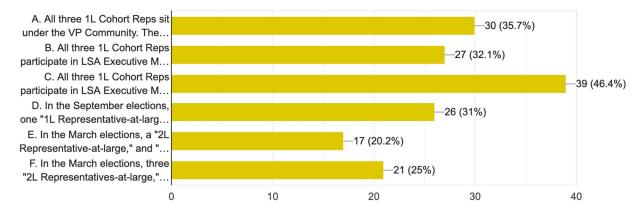
Selecting "2" means you are slightly concerned.

90 responses

1. Highly concerned, 3 not concerned



Question 5/5. If we were to switch to a "Cohort Rep" model, select up to three working arrangements that you most support. Note: In Opt...e direct Executive responsibilities/voting powers. 84 responses



A. All three 1L Cohort Reps sit under the VP Community. The VP Community is specifically tasked with representing 1L interests on the Executive.

B. All three 1L Cohort Reps participate in LSA Executive Meetings as Directors.

C. All three 1L Cohort Reps participate in LSA Executive Meetings as Executive Members. D. In the September elections, one "1L Representative-at-large" is elected (by the entire student body) alongside three 1L Cohort Reps (who are each elected by one cohort). The one 1L Rep sits on the Executive, while the three elected 1L Cohort Reps sit under and report to the VP Community.

E. In the March elections, a "2L Representative-at-large," and "3L Representative-at-large" are elected. In the September elections, a "1L Representative-at-large," is elected by the entire student body. The Representative-at large positions are members of the Executive. There are also three elected 1L Cohort Reps that are elected by their Cohort and sit under to the VP Community.

F. In the March elections, three "2L Representatives-at-large," and three "3L Representativesat-large" are elected. In the September elections, three Cohort reps are elected by their cohort. The Representative-at large positions would form a Council/Committee that oversees the Executive.