

15 January 2020

Present: Gen, Aiish, Rachael, Chadd, Karin, Ashley, Shvata, Alex, Reilly, Bobby, Jacob, Phoebe & Mahir

Call to Order: 12:32pm.

UPDATES ON FORMALS

2L FORMAL

Aiish: We will have our 2L Formal at Bangarang with \$20 per ticket. I signed the contract.

Karin: we are doing the pub night there next week.

Aiish: this will be different because you get a drink ticket and food. Depending on the numbers for catering, and since we don't have too many funds, we are thinking McDonalds and for vegetarian options we will consider plant-based options at other fast-food places.

1L FORMAL

Reilly: we got our deposit so we need to send it to El Royale. The next step is to sell tickets which will happen after ski trip. Marketing will be a big deal.

Phoebe: I haven't heard from Dean's Funding. How long does it usually take?

Chadd: they are slow with responding. There is a transition that happened which slowed down the process.

Gen: what are the ticket prices?

Phoebe: without Dean's Funding it will be \$80, and with it would be \$70.

Alex: it comes with a drink ticket.

Rachael: you are usually not allowed to include the drink with the ticket.

Chadd: you can do table wine.

Alex: if we cut drink tickets, then the ticket price will be lower.

Chadd: you don't need to do the wine table.

3L FORMAL

Chadd: 3L Formal will be at the CN Tower. I have booked the DJ from O Week who is very reasonably priced. We are not doing a sit down dinner, we are doing appetizers and a late-night session. There will be no photobooth because the view is very good, so I will have a photographer taking pictures all night. The ticket price can be as low as \$60. In previous years it has been \$75. There is also a later start time which is 8:30pm.

Rachael: will people take issue with the 1L formal being more expensive?

Chadd: we did get more Deans Funding.

Gen: if we can charge \$65 to ensure that there is enough food that would be better. We also have to make sure people show up at 8:30pm and not 10:00pm. Drink ticket prices are about \$8-\$12. Should there be dessert?

Ashley: after the late-night snack?

Chadd: some options were to have a macaroon or cupcake tower.

Gen: that means less appetizers.

Chadd: I will table this discussion until I have more details about the appetizers and whether they are including desserts in the price per person.

SCI UPDATE

Gen: the SCI initiative was struck down, the Ontario first level of court has appealed it. That means we will have more levy, around %20 more than what we had last semester. We might need to keep the workable budget for now. We will have a discretionary amount then for next year. Any thoughts on that? I think we should just keep the %20 as a cushion for other things that we need funds for.

Karin: what have clubs requested?

Ashley: some people over request so we should be ok.

Motion to Maintain the Budget by Rachael, Seconded by Ashley, Bobby abstains.

WELLNESS / GRADE RELEASE

Gen: grades will be released soon. The grades last year and the year before the grades were released during class which created a stressful environment. We have no pull to release them during class times, it is done through York and not through Osgoode.

Alex: is there a way you could send an email which day it will be released? As reps, we can inform people that grades will be released that day.

Rachael: you can say that grades are being released soon and inform them about their options (talk to upper years, talk to each other, etc.)

Gen: OPSC is doing an initiative that they will be going into classes on Friday, so reps you don't have to worry about that. Does anyone want to be involved to do something above and beyond that?

Rachael: OPSC does a good job around this time.

Ashley: the grades release process doesn't have to be too bad.

Rachael: we can post on social media about it.

Jacob: maybe upper years can provide contact information? But I will talk to OPSC.

Gen: OPSC is requesting if anyone is available with photography skills as well for their photo poster event.

STRATEGIC PLANNING SESSION

Gen: The Deans have asked for all of SC and L&L Exec to attend. This session makes an impact on what is more heavily funded and extracurriculars. They want input on what is important for students. 1Ls I will be asking you to get the input of your sections on what sort of input we should be putting in. The Facilitator is coming in from Ottawa so this is the only time to do it. They want 35 people there which would be of SC and their sub-committees as well as L&L.

DISCRETIONARY FUND SPIN CLASS UPDATE

Rachael: we have money in a discretionary fund and we're deciding how to use to help with non-academic funding that students still need.

Chadd: advice from administration was to determine our own way for how to apply those funds to students. Don't want to target a specific student group to benefit from the fund. We want to focus on expenses of law school that are not tuition.

Rachael: we don't want to ask people about their financial position. We can ask clubs if they have an initiative that they want to sponsor with it. We are also doing a spin class. Spin Co. is willing to give us the venue for just the cost of the instructor who is Chadd. The amount is \$350 – the space, instructor, and administrative charges which is very discounted.

Gen: how many people fit in the room?

Chadd: about 40 people.

Karin: the practical concerns with the discretionary fund might need to be ironed out. Peers saying that they need financial assistance is uncomfortable.

Rachael: there are a lot of awards that go through the school. We could do something like that associated to L&L on a basis related to us.

Gen: we do merit awards, but we as L&L don't fund people.

Rachael: i'm proposing we do now.

Jacob: could we get the money to the people we are targeting?

Karin: I think that changes the target.

Rachael: the identity disclosure is complicated.

Gen: this is a fund we can carry from year to year. We could host the spin class and decide what to do with the money or have it carried over.

Chadd: every year that sitting Exec gets to decide where it goes to. It is under our discretion.

Gen: we can host the event without a direct discretionary purpose.

Chadd: I can see if Spin Co. will cut my charge.

Rachael: maybe we can table the use of the fund. We do need to decide on a date for the spin class.

Chadd: a weekend would be best. Saturdays it would be 2:00pm and Sunday it would have to be 1:30 or 2:30pm.

Rachael: I will propose that date (March 1). If anyone has ideas about what the discretionary fund should be used for this year, let me know.

OVERVIEW OF OTHER WINTER TERM EVENTS

Gen: I just have some dates of important events happening. February 5th is the strategic planning session and after that we will have a business development session.

Bobby: This would be a great opportunity for networking and sharpening marketing skills.

Jacob: I think 1Ls would be very interested in that.

Chadd: it would be helpful for them before going into OCIs.

Gen: the marketing is directed at upper years who are going into the profession sooner. Mock Trial is going to be February 12th and 13th.

Ashley: proceeds all go to charity.

Gen: then there is the Wendy Babcock show on the 27th. There will also be an auction event for PBSC. The other big event is the Fashion Show on March 5th. Then there will be the formals for each class.

Alex: are there pub nights on the nights of formals?

Karin: yes.

KEYPAD LOCKS

Ashley: Just following up on this with Anita.

Gen: Anita said she wouldn't give any naming rights for anything less than \$20,000 which no one would be interested in. I am thinking we should just use the money from the extra %20. We should put \$800 towards the keypad locks to get them in place

before Mock Trial.

Ashley: Joseph from CIAO has a temporary solution. From the inside if the doors are locked you can't get inside, but there are still security issues. We can hold off if we need to.

Gen: should we get this done before Mock Trial?

Rachael: with my experience with Mock Trial it would be a lot easier to have this done before.

Ashley: They should have a copy from OEO for the Mock Trial room and we would have another copy from OEO.

Karin: the keypad would be better, and if we have the money, we should get that moving.

Motion for Ashley to install the Keypads, seconded by Karin, All in Favour.

3L TOAST

Gen: there is a 3L toast in the JCR.

Bobby: we should set up a date for this.

Gen: it is for the whole school to attend.

Bobby: we could run a nomination for a student who should give the toast.

Gen: I think that's a great idea.

SKI TRIP UPDATE

Karin: everything is set up and we're good to go. I am going to table for ski trip wristbands and lift passes the week before ski trip. I will be warning people about the cut off for the pub nights.

Gen: what happens if you don't have the wristband?

Karin: if you don't have a wristband you will get in. It guarantees you entry before the cut off.

Chadd: is there a way to sell more now?

Karin: no, because we have almost hit capacity with the ones we sold.

Gen: we'll make sure people know.

Adjournment: 1:35pm.