

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

MEETING MINUTES

September 3, 2008

ATTENDANCE

Rebecca Weis

Will Corrigan

Leah Campbell

Michael Swansburg

Adam Broadus

Lily Chan

Rachel Carmona

Jenna Johnston

Johnna Spicer

Adam Jarboe

Sara Mikowski

Jerred Kelly

Lauren Bean

Jacob Taulman

Melissa Stilger

Colleen Goodman

Calvin Duncan

Meeting Opened: 9:00 PM

REPORTS

President's Report

RW: The faculty meeting focused primarily on the clinic and they didn't get to our attendance policy. It's going to be September 16th. Hopefully it'll be on the agenda. The SGA meeting was last night and hopefully there will be an amendment to get Lucas Vance on the appropriations committee. We're trying to get him on there

RW: Most of the study aids now are gone... what's the story?

AB: To my knowledge, there's still two or three shelves upstairs.

RW: Tell Christy Floyd not to throw them away. If students need something, then go talk with her, but otherwise let's wait until we get new study aids.

AB: As far as I know we're just waiting to get a bookshelf.

RW: Please check on that.

RW: Locker keys. I'm no longer doing them, but Melissa [Stilger] is now doing it. The new bookstore hours are posted on the SBA website.

RW: If anyone hears anything about getting travel funding for hotels, etc., for the moot court teams, that is an issue of concern.

JK: I'm on the health moot court team and Dean Hall said that for some reason there's a university policy that the teams cannot get hotel rooms in advance. They're trying to get people to pay up front possibly.

RW: Only presentation later is 1L election related.

Vice President (Day)'s Report

WC: From last week, the softball tournament at UVA. I did some research and there are numerous teams and leagues and we can send numerous teams. The problem is that last year was the same weekend as Barrister's Ball. Do we have a date for that yet?

CG: No, we don't.

WC: Should I go ahead and start finding out more information?

CG: The date was last year because of oral arguments last year and Easter. We still need to see when they are this year. We also cannot do it on Spring Break weekend.

RW: We might do it earlier as well.

CG: If people want to miss Barrister's, that's alright.

WC: Do we want to do this? We have to get bats and pay the fees, but we might be able to get someone to sponsor the event. The fees go to charity in Charlottesville, Va.

CG: How early do you have to commit?

WC: Registration fills by February.

LC: What are the costs?

WC: Double rooms are \$75-100 per night and likely three nights. You pay for food, hotel rooms, plus gas, etc.

RC: You should send an email or paste it on Facebook to gauge interest.

JJ: Andrew Palmer was attempting to organize a softball game with Northern Kentucky as well. The Dean wanted him to do so, allegedly.

Vice President (Evening)'s Report

LC: Did anyone go to the part-time phase out program today? I had a briefing with Dean Hall about it. I'm not concerned. I think they're trying to make it as painless as possible. If you have questions, please let me know.

Secretary's Report

MS: Is anyone responsible for cleaning out the refrigerators downstairs?

JJ: They are pretty full with old stuff.

MS: I know the microwaves are bad as well. Can we think about this and possibly discuss options in the future?

Treasurer's Report

AB: Does the John Conti machine now work? I saw a truck out there for it.

I also talked with charitable gaming. Groups can do raffles and raise \$150. If you're a registered non-profit, you can get your license for free. It's fairly painless. You can raise up to \$25,000 annually and do a number of events.

Social Chair's Report

CG: Nothing

Fundraising Chair's Report

LC: Nothing new to report.

Public Relations Chair's Report

RC: Last time we talked about the student of the month recognition. I have two documents for approval today. One is for the website and the other is for a certificate to go to a student. It's essentially used to promote our law school and a student. We can go to the 1L classrooms and make announcements that the first student will be in October and forward it to me and that's how we can make nominations. Then if folks want to be on a committee, we can stay after the SBA meeting and do a quick vote on it. I don't really have a process. We can try to vote on someone by our second meeting in October or earlier to have that whole month.

We're also talking about giving away a t-shirt from the bookstore?

RW: Yes, we can do that.

Public Service Chair's Report

JJ: The raffle we discussed last time. As long as we don't put our name on it we should be fine. Ashley Wiggins sent me an email about a "good deed box" where we can drop off our old cell phones for donations. I thought I'd present it and see.

LB: There's a battery box downstairs in the mail room.

JJ: This group sends you a box and they collect money to build women's financial assets, etc., for jobs.

RW: I think we can do it. Let's just get a box.

RW: Has anyone seen from Ja'nae? She's MIA now. If no one hears from her by next meeting, we may need to fill her spot.

Bookstore Manager Report

Mel Stig: Nothing

Career Service's Chair's Report

JS: I met with Dean Urbach and she gave me a bulletin form that more or less discusses what she hopes to accomplish with her job. I have the form online. She's trying to re-do the whole process, including the website. We're going to have weekly meetings to discuss the various problems raised and hopefully turn it into a positive experience. If you have questions, please let me know.

RW: Do you want to send it to everyone in the SBA for feedback?

JS: Yes.

SBA Reps Report

JT: Nothing

3L Reps Report

SM and AJ: Nothing

2L Reps Report

JK and LB: Nothing

CD: Nothing

ORDERS OF BUSINESS

1. Flag Football

JK: UofL and UK play in an annual flag football game. We didn't realize that we would have to pay for the referees. The total cost was \$90. Matt Piekarski paid for it and we thought we'd see if the SBA would pay for it. We thought that maybe SBA would sponsor it every other year when it comes in. Questions? (No questions).

CG: Did you ask UK how they paid for it in the past? I think Westlaw paid for it last year at UK.

JK: They brought some refreshments, but that was it. I don't know if they're going to pay for it now.

WC: Do you know who paid two years ago?

AJ: I don't know if we had referees two years ago because it was on the circle and not at the Intramural Field.

JK: Okay, we can delete the request that SBA pay for it every other year.

RW: Motion to approve? (Motion made and seconded).

All in favor? Yes. All opposed? No. (Unanimous affirmative vote at 9:25 PM).

2. Student of the Month

RC: I have a new website proposal for this.

LB: The site says that the Public Relations Committee nominates. Can we change that to the student body?

RC: Yes. Do you think we should put up a new one every month? I'm thinking that we'll get a whole lot of new nominations at the beginning but will taper off.

LB: What about the Daily Docket as well?

RC: Good idea. We can play with the site. The other document is the certificate which includes the student's name, the recognition, and the signature of the SBA President and Public Relations Chair.

WC: It should say that it was voted on by the SBA, right?

RC: Yes, let's change it.

3. 1L Elections

RW: If we pass the proposed timetable tonight, packets will be available next Monday and interest meetings will be during the week. The elections will be held on the 18th. If there's a run-off, the election will be the next Tuesday.

The rules are essentially the same as last year in terms of fees, forms, etc. Voting will not be in the hallway. Voting will take place in the classroom. Questions?

Motion to approve? (Motion and second).

All in favor? Yes. Opposed? No. (Unanimous vote at 9:31 PM).

ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

MS: I have a question about spotty cell and Internet coverage in rooms like 177 and the law review office. Has anyone addressed or asked about that?

AJ: There was a survey in the Daily Docket a few days ago discussing that. If you find there are areas that are missing service, let IT know.

RW: Anything else? Meeting adjourned.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:34 PM