

SBA Agenda

February 4, 2009

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Treasurer's Report
- IV. Unfinished Business
 - a. Meeting Minutes – 1/28/09 – approved.
 - b. Reports
 - i. Senator's Reports
 - 1. GSAC – Mar. 2 is Chancellor's Dinner, SBA and some GSAC orgs invited, 6pm at Phipps Mansion. If we can't go, email Emma.
 - 2. Charles Nicholas – would like to speak about issue impacting students here. Concerns Professor Hartje and delay in getting grades to Registrar. From what Charles has heard, 2 students were unable to sit for Bar this month because of Hartje not getting grades to Registrar – incomplete transcript! Also, another student ordered by her doctor to take year off from school, but is unable because of incomplete transcript as a result of Hartje's delay in posting grades. This student is attending classes at peril to her health and administration is not doing anything to help, doctor has phoned school and still no results. Professor Hartje did email students and apologize for delay yesterday. Wants to make a public record on our minutes, but open up for debate to formally bring Resolution to Dean's attention. No apparent success with individual results.
 - a. Alan – Wholeheartedly supports.
 - b. Adam – Needs real testimony. If what you're saying is true, we absolutely need to draft a Resolution.
 - c. Phil – I think an appropriately worded Resolution asking Dean to review matter would be helpful. There are numerous other issues for which there is evidence, including course reviews containing damaging information. Gotten to the point where I feel bad that students are still having to take Hartje's classes. No one close to his negative reputation here at DU. Worth mentioning that we support some effort.
 - d. Emma – Wrote to Dean Bryan last year, with no response regarding Criminal Law exam.

- e. Max – We can't continue to sit quietly. Semester after semester Hartje receives negative responses. We are encouraged to fill out reviews, and administration is not taking them seriously. Something is wrong! We are paying a lot of money to be here, and we should take a stand as representatives of students to see what we can do.
 - f. Michelle – If someone wants to draft Resolution, it needs to be very carefully worded.
 - g. Charles – Agree entirely. Needs to be objective and fair. Will see what he can do about finding the 2 students who were unable to sit for the Bar.
3. Ben Goff – Last year during Health Awareness Week, we had massage students in. In light of that, they come here for free but do accept gratuity. **Would like to make a motion to make a gratuity from general fund for \$200 to give to therapists**, worked entire 2 hours, were gracious enough to drive from Lakeside and we'd like to have them back! Thinks this is a reasonable amount. **Matt seconds.**
- a. Tiffany - \$25 straight across? Amend to \$25/therapist. Phil and Adam abstains.
 - b. Ben – We could, more is always good for these folks.
 - c. **Motion passes.**
- ii. President's Reports
 - iii. Committee Reports
 - 1. Fundraising Committee – Alan Frosh
 - a. Race is on Sunday, April 5th, 2009. Washington Park. Working as Committee to find Race Manager to handle details, will be speaking this weekend. Please be aware of need for help.
 - 2. Student Life Committee – Katie J.
 - a. Just started working on comments.
 - 3. Social Committee – Tiffany
 - a. Dates for social events: 2/5 (Rock Bar), 2/19, 3/5, 4/2, 4/16 and 4/23
 - b. Will be talking more about Barristers next week, we are renting out whole building. Will have numbers next week.
 - 4. Election Committee – Nothing.
 - 5. Communications Committee – Nothing.
 - 6. Finance Committee – Nothing.

V. New Business

- a. *The Writ*- voting on reinstating
 - i. Writ needs to be re-certified by SBA since it's been dormant for a while. Had meeting today to get things going.

ii. **Motion to reinstate *The Writ* as student org, John C. seconds.**

1. Adam – Any financial concerns?
2. Matt – we have to recognize the org in order for them to ask for funding. Still have some money from previous years.
3. Michelle – After we vote, publications will be once a month. Will be little section on SBA. If anyone is interested in writing, Senate member can, otherwise *Writ* writer could sit in on meetings.
 - a. John C is interested in writing.
 - b. Phil can also work with John too. Maybe good forum for responses to Suggestion Box.
 - c. Patrick – Any other impact besides receiving funds in future?
 - d. Matt – No, imagine impact is all good.

4. **Motion passes.**

- b. Katie V – Does Senate get WebCentral emails?
 - i. No. But Chicken Pox has hit campus.
 - ii. DU uses WebCentral to communicate large issues.
- c. Phil – For those interested in ranking we talked about last semester, please ask me about meeting times. Met with Prof. Brown, has gained huge insight on what we can do to improve!
 - i. Darryl – Also, this coming Monday school will be discussing how to improve rankings. Announcement will go out.
- d. Tiffany – ABA event in 2 weeks, dinner/appetizers, speakers. Everyone invited. Event here at school, 2/14 8am-5pm.
- e. Matt – Next week Finance Committee will be bringing 4-5 mid-year requests. One is brand new org (SAAA) and two other orgs that didn't receive funding at the beginning of the year.
- f. SELS JobJam 09' Funding Request
 - i. **Motion to allocate \$1500.00, Seconded by Melina.**
 - ii. Career Expo – 4/2 3-10pm, huge event. 5 bands lined up, planning on having 80-90 employers come to campus, will be on Quad. Entire school, including undergrads, will be invited.
 - iii. Will help SELS to sign contracts with bands, will help more people and businesses to commit. Any questions, SELS reps are here. Hoping to keep this rolling over in the future.
 - iv. Money coming from Travel Account.
 - v. Finance Committee unanimous about this decision, SELS brought a written proposal, very professional.
 - vi. Many costs mitigated by donation of stage materials, hoping to get solid headliner. Biggest corporate sponsor is Clear Channel Broadcasting! Working with Onion, will be able to advertise with them as well. Opened up to all types of fields – anywhere from 30-50 Law Firms expected to participate!
 1. Alan – Funding pursued from undergrads?

- a. VP may help out. Initially didn't want to help, but now that we've secured a lot on our own, and also talked to Chancellor's scholars, alumni, and others.

2. **Charles abstains. Motion passes.**

VI. Adjourn