

## **SBA Agenda October 13, 2008**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Speakers/Guests
- IV. Treasurer's Report - \$79,700 roughly left in overall account, not including LRAP.
- V. Unfinished Business
  - a. Reports
    - i. Senator's Report
      - 1. 1L Jon Carerras – what is status of bike racks?
      - 2. Jon Keyser – they are in! Added right next to the ones just inside the gate.
      - 3. Cody Faust – where does 1L SBA fee go?
      - 4. Matt - \$190 dollars for every person that enters. \$100 towards SBA fees and \$90 goes to LRAP.
    - ii. President's Report - Jon
      - 1. Spoke with Katie Vilders regarding formal proposal from Parking to take over Appeals process for parking tickets. Same three options as last meeting. Buddy Knox had preference for 2 and 3Ls, but Jon doesn't feel like that's a big problem. 1Ls can participate.
        - a. Usually about 30 appeals per week!
        - b. Committee would check to see if person had parking pass and on appeal dismiss ticket, time is significant, but \$500 per semester for SBA to do this.
        - c. Melina – why is this being offered to SBA?
        - d. Katie Vilders – SBA used to do this, but it got lost in transition from old campus to new campus. Also there was a change in management for parking, now it's more because Parking doesn't want to do this. Person who does this currently is frustrated with the same excuses, but they thought we'd like the experience.
        - e. Darryl – Strongly against it. Doesn't think it benefits us at all! People will likely remember the bad, even if we do dismiss several tickets!
        - f. Katie – Also, these appeals will be campus wide, not just law students.
        - g. Adam – Would we meet with students directly ever?
        - h. Jon – No, written process. Mostly handled online too.

- i. Katie – Students would have login to Parking infrastructure. Everything would be done electronically.
- j. Ben – On old campus, appeals were handled by COL? Katie doesn't know. Ben is hesitant to get involved with process for entire university. Certainly appreciate acknowledgement from Parking Services, but seems like a huge responsibility.
- k. Katie – I don't necessarily believe the SBA would be made out to be the "bad guys." We would have opportunity to look through file and see if this behavior is habit. But this information would be confidential.
- l. Jon – Doesn't know hat kind of pressure would be placed on SBA to do what Parking Services is doing.
- m. Phil – Agree with Darryl, doesn't think this is a good idea. Doesn't forsee SBA to take this on because of our committee responsibilities. Limited longterm benefit for those involved. Big time commitment.
- n. Tiffany – Would have supported if we had more leeway with people who forget pass more than once. Doesn't want to support of be a part of it.
- o. Jon – Let's take a straw poll to see what's most favored:
  - i. No action
  - ii. SBA oversight
  - iii. SBA takeover
- p. Adam – I don't think it wouldn't take that much time. It's an hour a week, and we're being offered an opportunity to adjudicate and help the school. We should feel honored to have this opportunity. We could make a difference and that's why we're here.
- q. Alan – Can we further discuss oversight?
- r. Jon – We'd have to work that out. It would be something we'd assemble with student leaders from other student orgs, there'd be training for committee members.
- s. Melina – If we're having so little say, we're in a way supporting giving tickets for something we're not OK with.
- t. Ben – How many people need to be on committee?

- u. Jon – 3 people per team, 2 teams. Could be 3 people each semester.
- v. Katie – This would be up to us. One person doing it all, various make up of teams. Does understand our concerns, and this is why we've met with Parking Services a lot. But Parking Services policies here are very similar to others around the country.
- w. Darryl – Any discount for committee members?
- x. Jon – No, but \$500/semester for SBA.
- y. Melina – Parking Services is creating work for themselves.
- z. Adam – We could do this our way.
- aa. Jon – No, we can't. Would have to follow Parking Services guidelines.
- bb. Cody - \$500 not anything to sneeze at, but there's a lot of red tape for that money. They could just pay someone to do it instead.
- cc. Matt – Question for Katie: how much good will for SBA because of this?
  - i. Katie – Doesn't know. But a lot of other law schools do this already. Parking Services would probably let other administrators know that SBAs handling, and these appeals would involve professors and others as well. But this may take awhile to build good will.
  - ii. Adam, Jon, Konrad, Linda voted for SBA involvement.**
  - iii. Everybody else voted against.**
- dd. Next thing – SBA has been asked to be involved with faculty hiring process. Essentially 15 faculty members, will hire 3 of them. Committee and a series of other people meet with candidates. As students we would have the opportunity to interview and weigh-in.
  - i. Ben had this experience last year. Students would have a chance to ask questions from our point of view and appreciates the administration extending this opportunity.
  - ii. Scheduled starting beginning of November, bit of a time commitment, but it's a good one. Good opportunity and had a lot of fun doing it.
  - iii. Looks like schedule is all on Mondays.
  - iv. Jon supports. Benefit for resumes.
  - v. Linda – How many people involved?

1. Jon – up to us. They want us to go anything that we want to do.
- vi. Katherine – great opportunity, was involved in something similar in college. Really makes you feel like you have a stake in the process. Good visibility for SBA, better press.
- vii. Linda – How would interviews work?
- viii. Jon – Person would come in early in the morning, meet with different people, we'd have a block of time to talk to person during the day. Ask questions and let them ask too.
- ix. **Motion to take on faculty-interview project, give to Katherine's committee. Motion passes.**
- ee. Beer on the Bricks/Second Friday – Great turnout.
  - i. Karina – good student feedback.
  - ii. Phil – Keg was very slow.
  - iii. Jon – Next one will be second Friday in November.
- ff. Jon will be attending a number of different events coming up, meeting with Board of Trustees.
- gg. Reminder, Trick or Treat Street coming up on 30<sup>th</sup>. In past, other graduate schools have not been invited. But we can change that!
2. Idea Raiser – by overwhelming numbers, 24<sup>th</sup> worked best over the noon hour. Vote falls short of quorum.
  - a. Tiffany – This would be beneficial to get together outside of meetings.
  - b. Jon – Agrees. This would be more free-flowing environment to discuss ideas.
  - c. Idea Raiser held at 2pm, Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup>.
- iii. Committee Reports
  1. Fundraising Committee – Michelle
    - a. Need to have meeting
  2. Student Life Committee – No meeting.
  3. Social Committee – Tiffany
    - a. Discussed whether we were moving social events to 5-7pm, decided for most part that they should stay at 9:00pm.
    - b. Alan – 9:00 is less exclusionary. Hard to justify having social event when most of our constituents in class. More egregious to make event overlap with class.

- c. Tiffany – However, we have decided to have earlier event, going to bar before Nuggets game on Friday, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>. Keeping everything mainly at 9pm.
  - d. Jon – SELS is having a cocktail get together before game, maybe keep that in mind to join forces.
  - e. Tiffany – maybe some form of coupon book, need to talk to fundraising committee, have bars/restaurants in area to contribute.
  - f. Also – Hanson’s Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, remember this event.
4. Election Committee – No meeting.
  5. Communications Committee – No meeting.
    - a. Phil put up SBA bulletin board.
    - b. Jon – everything on bulletin boards needs to be approved and stamped. We can put Agenda and Minutes up there every week. Thanks to Phil for completing bulletin board.
  6. Finance Committee - About \$43k left to spend for this year. Committee didn’t meet today because no requests. However, Dean’s suite will not pay for Jon’s travel to ABA-SBA President’s meeting.
    - a. Jon – historically, Dean’s suite has paid for President’s travel to ABA meeting. SBA Constitution only decrees that President needs to go to one. They will not be funding this year because SBA didn’t spend all budget last year. Rollover from last year was about \$10k. Dean gives us \$5,500.00, proposal is to take money for travel out of rollover.
    - b. **Matt - Motion to reimburse Jon Keyser from rollover account for travel to ABA-SBA Conference. Seconded by Tiffany.**
      - i. Ben – did you have to pay out of pocket?
        - 1. Jon – yes.
      - ii. Phil – how much do you have in your discretionary account?
        - 1. Jon – about \$2k. Hopefully idea raiser will come out of there.
      - iii. Adam – Would like to see breakdown of costs before we vote.
        - 1. Jon agrees. Put it to finance committee.
      - iv. Matt - \$2k in President’s budget is set aside for paper for the year, \$100 for Senate supplies, and \$600 for miscellaneous, but that could also be “Idea Raiser,” or awards at the end of the year.

- v. **Motion passes. Adam opposes.**
- vi. \$13,800 left in travel account. Approx. \$6,200 left in Speaker fund.

VI. New Business

a. Linda Stanley

i. SBA Waiver

- 1. Will bring next week, to say you've at least looked over handbook and Constitution. This way we can let people know where to find information. Has discussed with Jon to make sure people have at least read Constitution.

ii. University and Asbury Intersection

- 1. Left turn onto University is a terrible intersection after class. Has been trying to get arrow at that light, but study was done at 8:00am – no congestion there at that time. Asking Senate to note time/day of week that it's most congested!
- 2. Katie will also send report on when Ricks Center gets out of school.

b. Phil McGrane

- i. Interim Committee on Rankings – Darryl, Alan, John C., Karina, Max and Linda have contacted Phil as being interested. Prof. Brown is willing to meet with committee to show how rankings work. Want meetings to be working meetings

VII. Adjourn