

## **SBA Agenda**

### **January 28, 2008**

- I. Call to Order
  - a. Brad Moloney (4:32)
- II. Speakers/Guests
- III. Unfinished Business
  - a. Meeting Minutes 1/14/08
  - b. Professionalism Committee
    - i. Resolution regarding reimbursement from administration for SBA funding of Wills Lab reinstatement
    - ii. Emailed out the resolution on Friday to all interested
    - iii. Small issues can be emailed to Aaryn
    - iv. Content of resolution: general summary of discussion last week
      - 1. Elder Law Society behind the resolution and also has a meeting scheduled with Dean about this and other matters
      - 2. Needs to be sent to the Provost as well
      - 3. Thanks to committee for comments and work
    - v. Wills Lab is being offered
      - 1. Dean's Suite will not be taking our funding, but the paralegal is being paid to train employees
      - 2. Resolution still important because it makes a record of actions taken by the SBA
    - vi. Future of the Course: Professor Marsh wants the wills lab to continue
- IV. New Business
  - a. Finance Requests
    - i. Business Law Society**
      - 1. JD/MBA Dual Degree Speaker Event
      - 2. Amount Requested: \$312.00
      - 3. **Amount Recommended by Finance Committee: \$180.00**
      - 4. **Paula moves to allocate \$180.00**
      - 5. **Seconded by S.Ullrich**
      - 6. **Discussion:**
        - a. Wanting food from Swing Thai to offer something other than pizza
        - b. Event open to all students interested in dual degree – important informational session
        - c. \$5.00 per person limit set by finance committee at the beginning of the school year
          - i. Not put into the bylaws due to changing circumstances
          - ii. Objection by some members of SBA because it effectively encourages student

- orgs to ask for more money per person, even though there are other options
- iii. Finance committee takes into consideration how many people estimated to attend and other circumstances when making decisions; rationale behind the decision to use discretion and not go by a set amount
- d. Lowest estimation of attendance by BLS
- e. BLS has had a lot of events in which \$5.00 was not allocated per person
  - i. Amounts seem to be rising from student orgs concerning food costs
- f. Proposed Amendment by S. Jon: change the allocated per person limit to \$4.00 per person for BLS event
  - i. Seconded by S. Richardson
  - ii. Vote: Yes 8, No, 7
  - iii. Motion passes
- g. **Motion:** Allocation of \$4.00 per person for BLS event
  - i. **Passed unanimously**

## ii. Black Law Students Association

1. Travel to Rocky Mountain Regional convention on 02/6-10/08 in Austin, TX
2. Amount Requested: \$ 3436.00
3. **Amount Recommended by Finance Committee: \$ 1,200.00**
4. **Paula moves to allocate 1200**
5. **Seconded by Jon**
6. **Discussion**
  - a. 4 people are going to be on the trial team (2 2L's and 2 1L's) – the other 3 will be needed to participate in the other events that the 4 on the trial team will be missing.
  - b. Regional elections – one person is going to be nominated as an officer
  - c. Important to expand exposure for cultural diversity, recruiting more diverse student body
  - d. Offers training in advocacy, community service initiatives, international relations goals
  - e. **Trey Baker:** 3 people not competing will be taking part in the rest of the conference; trial competition is in the morning and there are other events at night; other 3 people will participate in career fair, community service, college division where they will

talk to prospective law students; trial competition part of the conference, other sponsorship being used to fund the trip and also some money from Dean's Suite

**f. Motion: Passed unanimously**

- V. Reports
  - a. President
    - i. Tally of Senate members
      - 1. Secretary position replaced by Sarah Gilliland and position for 3L Day Senator is open
      - 2. 2L Evening Senator position is open
      - 3. 2L Day position is open
      - 4. VP Fundraising position
        - a. VP Day McCarthy is effectively taking over that responsibility
        - b. Email Kyle if you are interested in helping
        - c. No member of Senate can hold two positions
          - i. But position does not have to be filled immediately
      - 5. Appointments to be made next week
    - ii. Business Cards
      - 1. VP Evening has been assuming these responsibilities
      - 2. Need a 1L Senator to take over the position
        - a. Jen Z. explains the responsibilities of the position
        - b. Ben G. offers to take over the position and agrees to training with Jen Z.
  - b. Vice Presidents (Social/Planning)
    - i. Evening VP:
      - 1. Barristers Ball is finalized
      - 2. Being held at the Marriott; full open bar for almost the entire evening; contracts being sent over for approval by risk management
      - 3. April 12, 7 to midnight at the Marriott, \$45 per ticket
      - 4. Printing tickets this weekend, starting to sell tickets next week
      - 5. Breakdown of finances: no bartender costs, estimated 4 drinks per person; beer wine and well drinks provided for estimated number; when the number is hit, then it will move to cash bar
    - ii. Day VP:
      - 1. No new reports
  - c. Vice President (Fundraising)
    - i. No new reports
  - d. Treasurer
    - i. \$82,099.06
    - ii. About \$30,000 belongs to the Dean

- iii. After taking out prospective spending there is approximately \$5,000 left in the account
    - iv. \$9,379.45 in the bookstore, minus payouts
    - v. Need new member on finance committee
  - e. Secretary
    - i. Fixing the website next week
  - f. ABA
    - i. 15<sup>th</sup> Circuit meeting being held in Denver, need volunteers
    - ii. School committee will be part of the process
  - g. Senators
    - i. S. Brand:
      - 1. Date set for Chancellors Dinner is February 19, at approximately 6:00pm at the Phipps Mansion; more info to follow; attendance strongly encouraged because the chancellor is impressive; bring questions if you have them
      - 2. Fundraising through GSAC:
        - a. So all may eat: canned food drive a few months away
      - 3. Plan to build child care on campus; looking for a place to put it; looking for suggestions; 5500 students have children
    - ii. S. Ullrich: 1Ls wondering if there can be a hold off on taking away chairs and tables from forum when big events are held at night
      - 1. Katie Vilders: trying to get less events in the forum; encourage student orgs to have their events in Room 165 instead
        - a. Movement of tables is based on the schedule of the Facilities staff; usually plan to do it ahead of time in case complications arise
    - iii. S. Jon: Can we schedule a meeting with the Dean
      - 1. Brad: can schedule a meeting ahead of time or can ask him to come regarding a specific issue; Brad will try to schedule a time for him to come to a Senate meeting
      - 2. For new Business next week: preparing a 1L legacy project to initiate a professor specific outline data bank; Lexis and Westlaw capable of supporting it
        - a. Jon going to schedule a presentation by Randi with Lexis for Senate
    - iv. S. Goff:
      - 1. Student missed an exam question – is there any recourse?
      - 2. VP McCarthy: student has no recourse
      - 3. There is an appeals process highlighted in the Student Handbook

## VI. Adjourn

- a. Brad Moloney (5:25pm)