



**University of Denver  
Student Bar Association  
Weekly Meeting Agenda**

**I. Call to Order**

**a. Welcome**

**b. Attendance**

- i. Absent – M.J., Ashley, Laura, James

**c. Introduction of Guests**

**i. Dean Boynton**

1. Administrative Law

- a. She was told it is a requirement and will continue to be. It is not on the bar, but they think it is important for us to learn. We could have Dean Moffat here if we really thought it was something we wanted to discuss. She personally thinks Admin. Law is great.

2. Nuggets

- a. They are playing Thursday of first week of spring classes.  
i. Then evening students couldn't go.
- b. Nuggets are playing Miami the first Friday of spring.
- c. The following week the Avalanche are playing, but she doesn't think it would attract as many people, being the second week of classes.
- d. She is moving forward on Nuggets tickets.
- e. Knicky – She is going to the game no matter what, so she is supportive.
- f. The tickets are \$22. It is free dinner and free drink.  
i. Upper Level.
- g. She is wanting to know if we want to pitch in.  
i. She wants to sell to students for \$5 each.  
1. She wants higher price faculty and staff tickets so our funding is not going towards them. It is going towards our culture though, so it would still be subsidized.  
ii. She is thinking 200 tickets. Frederick thinks that is too hopeful.

1. Rockies tickets for Fall they had 100 tickets.
2. If 50-75 per class they could easily get to 200.
- iii. Knicky – Would there be a limit per person?
- iv. Boynton – No.
- v. Mattson – There were a bunch left over for the Rockies game. Is that 100 sold or bought?
- vi. Boynton – It was 300. So there were 100 left.
- vii. Mattson – He thinks it is reasonable number and price. There is probably a way to get with them to mitigate costs.
- viii. Boynton – She is hoping first week will be to our benefit for excitement.
- ix. Knicky – That's baseball v. basketball, it is more popular.
- x. Jason – It is nice, he is on board.
- xi. Boynton – She wants to see if they can sell some back first. Then she is going to see if they can get more. Seller will give catering space. Game is at 7pm. We could start at 5pm and do some appetizers and hang out. She wants to discount tickets and pay to have some sort of pre-time event. Tickets are \$22, she wants to pitch in \$1,000 and then do some drink tickets for \$1,000.
- xii. Steven – Could you break that down again?
- xiii. Boynton – She is open to negotiate, but wanted to see if we were receptive to the event and willing to contribute. We can do something at the beginning if we were to do this.
- xiv. She is wanting us to contribute \$7 a ticket, which would be a total of \$1,400.
  1. If we want more for catering, she will come back with additional price.

### 3. T-Shirts

- a. They are ordering more T-Shirts like at orientation, (blue with Colorado symbol and DU skyline).
  - i. \$20 gets ticket and a t-shirt.
  - ii. \$15 was what she was told for T-Shirts, but she is looking into selling them to increase the spirit.

4. Liz – This would come out of Social Committee. They have \$7,000 for the whole year. For Event Speaker they have \$10,500. That is all we have for special events. Overall we have \$17,500.
  - a. Josh – Can this come out of President Budget?
  - b. Jason – What about out of Community Relations?
  - c. Liz – They have money.
  - d. Taylor – We need to discuss, we don't need an answer right now right?
  - e. Boynton – Yeah, we can wait.

## ii. Dean Bono

1. Update from last time (Career Development Initiative of Law School Strategic Plan)
  - a. Review:
    - i. In the Plan there is a broad initiative, Student Services Initiative. Within that is Career Initiative. He is part of board for implementing that. They are charged with, now that law school in Plan said they are imbedding it in law school experience, they have to figure out proposal to make it work. While it is generally within strategic plan document they need to work to get it approved. They are working on options. He is presenting a tentative plan to faculty on Monday to get feedback. He wants to share with us what they've come up with to get our sense of whether we like it or not and get ideas. Early next semester they can see a scenario where this is discussed at a town hall.
2. Academic Advising
  - a. He spoke to Jason today about it.
  - b. They are wanting to coordinate this at CDO. Students don't know where to go to get academic advice. They give "armchair" academic advice, but nothing very formal. They don't have a great system right now. Students want to see improvement. They want to piggyback on another committee that is working on this. Any ideas?
    - i. Jason – Do we have a deadline or what the pitch might look like?
    - ii. Bono – There is no firm deadline. Katz wants things imbedded before he leaves as Dean next summer. That is what he is considering the deadline. They will probably

tweak after implementation. This would not be retroactive.

- iii. Jason – What is the #1 pitch for each category?
- iv. Bono – What do you mean?
- v. Jason – Basically, what is the primary idea to be presented?
- vi. Bono – On Academic Advising:
  1. Law school has great resources, but students are not well informed. Randy Wagner is working on Academic Advising. We are going to present general graduation requirements. Then it breaks down into certificates. But if there is something where there is no certificate, (criminal, trust/estates) we are hoping to have some links and things to present to the students concerning classes, faculty, staff they could utilize. They want things to be more coordinated. He will leave details to Randy.
  2. Jenny – Have there been talks to get a person to do Academic Advising?
  3. Bono – They aren't talking about a new department or position, but we are talking about having a nerve center where there are a few who are a part of a central structure.
    - a. A few "point people" would include Dean Boynton, Randy Wagner and Dean Bono.
  4. Boynton – Instead of full-time person, they would have a few "point people" for advising. It will be a multi-faceted approach. Randy would like to hear our feedback.
  5. Bono – Knowing university budget, it is difficult to create a new staff position. The vision is to use existing staff.
  6. Boynton – Yeah, but to have them be more clearly identified.

7. Bono – Yeah, that is clearly the problem.

3. Career Piece

- a. Bono – We borrow an average of \$122,000 in total. Some borrow over \$200,000. Students want a job when they leave law school. When he does employment stats he noticed an improvement in the statistics since the recession. He wants us to be competitive out of the gate. He thinks the current model for delivering career services is broken. They currently chase 1L's and hardly see upperclassmen who are typically busy. When they look at un/under-employed former students, they are people who don't typically come into the CDO. They want to get more people exposed to skills to be competitive. We shouldn't graduate without the ability to handle the basics of interview skills, resume, cover letter, etc. Some schools imbed into existing coursework, other schools have a co-curricular outside of classroom. They were originally wanting to imbed, but there is pushback from faculty and students. They are now headed towards, (he's excited about this) a flexible, but required program where we have students get skills they need, (how to add value, how to market yourself to employers, etc.) everything we need to be competitive. We are going to have choices of how to meet our requirements. It is going to be like a liberal arts school. This is not one-size fits all, this is something where we can pick things out for ourselves.
- b. Jason – We can reach you in the CDO if we need you right?
- c. Bono – He would prefer in person meeting, but email is fine.
- d. Taylor – She likes it.
- e. Bono – It is customizable which is best.

**d. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting**

- i. Approved Unanimously except for Alisha who Abstains

**e. Notes from the President**

**i. YLD Hike**

1. Thanks to Ken for coming.

**ii. Halloween candy?**

1. SBA usually does something for this.
2. Do we want a table?
  - a. Steven – What budget?

- b. Taylor – It will be president. Will we have people table tomorrow at noon and again at 4:30pm?
        - i. Knicky – I will.
        - ii. Jenny – I can.
        - iii. Jason – I can do it in the afternoon.
- iii. Graduate Student Government
  - 1. They want people for their research summit.
    - a. We can't talk about clients though.
  - 2. Maybe someone with a dual degree can go talk to them.
  - 3. We usually don't go.
  - 4. They only need 4-5 people to go.
  - 5. Liz – What are the requirements again? Do they have to have presented or anything?
  - 6. Taylor – She thought so, but the guy said if we had an internship we could even go and talk.
  - 7. Jason – How substantive would it be?
  - 8. Taylor – She wants to do this, and we never do it and it makes us look bad. The guy in charge is very nice.
  - 9. Jason – I agree, he is a good guy.
  - 10. Liz – An idea: There are two LP professors that do real life problems for a final paper. Could we loop 1L's into it?
  - 11. Taylor – It is in January. We can't do 1L's.
  - 12. Boynton – Focus on law journals.
  - 13. We should talk to people and see who can do this.
- iv. Professor Lash
  - 1. Dean Search Committee.
    - a. They want ideas for characteristics for a new dean.

## **II. Committee Updates**

### **a. ABA**

- i. Tabled for next meeting

### **b. Finance**

- i. STLA Request
  - 1. They have to pay to rent courthouse.
  - 2. Great opportunity for 1L's to get in front of judges and attorneys.
  - 3. \$850.
  - 4. Jason – Motion to Approve
    - a. Passes Unanimously
- ii. Three Separate Travel Requests for ISLA Conference
  - 1. They were requested to combine into 2 to meet the requirements.
  - 2. \$1541.
    - a. That's 2/3 of Costs.
    - b. We can only give \$1,500/year.
      - i. This would cap them for rest of the year.

- 3. Jason – We have representative.
- 4. ILS – They are requesting funds for conference.
  - i. Her, Co-Vice President and President.
  - ii. It is great for them and it brings awareness for other international law societies.
  - iii. Jason – Other members of your organization are good with this?
  - iv. ILS – Everyone is fine with it.
    - 1. It is in NY.
- 5. Liz – All board members travelling?
- 6. ILS – Yes.
- 7. Jason – They met our requirements. Motion to Approve
  - a. Passes Unanimously
- iii. Refugee Event for ILS
  - a. Two other organizations have helped, (Amnesty and MENA)
    - i. They are asking for \$278 for Refugee Event.
    - ii. Jason – Motion to Approve

**c. Social**

- i. Nothing

**d. Community Outreach**

- i. Comment Box is ready.
  - 1. Steven – It should be up on Monday.
- ii. Social Board
  - 1. This is more about awareness.
- iii. Toys for Tots
  - 1. Jason – Please, let's lead the way to get something in there.

**e. Elections**

- i. Nothing

**III. Student Concerns**

**a. Panel for Academic Advising**

- i. We will talk about these later.

**b. Petition for Admin Law**

- i. We will talk about these later.
- ii. Taylor – Randy is coming later.

**IV. Previous Business**

**V. New Business**

**VI. Adjourn**

- a. Passes Unanimously