

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION



University of Denver Sturm College of Law STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION: Minutes

Date: Thursday, October 15, 2020, 4:30 – 5:30 PM @
<https://udenver.zoom.us/j/2939303815>

- I. **CALL TO ORDER** at 4:35pm
 1. Attendance (MH)
 - i. Exec: Tempest Cantrell, Leonela Urrutia, Tatum Perez, Edward Bowden, Meralee Hoffelt
 - ii. Part-Time: Abby Schwarz, Jessie Chilson, Zoë Williams (absent)
 - iii. LLM: Abby Talboy
 - iv. ABA: Dani Churchill (absent)
 - v. 3L: Connor Shantz (absent), Serena Ahmad
 - vi. 2L: Marisa DeForest, Cerridwyn Nordstrom (absent)
 - vii. 1L: Gabby Gile, Jaime Greenwood
 2. 10/7 Minutes: Leo moved to approve, Edward seconded, no discussion. Passed unanimously with 3 abstaining.
- II. **GUEST SPEAKERS:** Dean Boynton unable to attend and provide guest speaker information because she had another Dean's meeting.
 1. Interviews to replace Chris Newman.
 2. SBA invited to participate in interview process with one member interviewing all candidates.
- III. **PREVIOUS BUSINESS:** None
- IV. **COMMITTEE UPDATES**
 1. Elections: Marisa DeForest: Nothing this week.
 2. ABA: Dani Churchill: Absent but Dani has been working on a draft of letter to professors to have Election Day off. 4 options for not cancelling class completely. Plan to send out beginning of next week.
 3. Social: Tatum Perez: Planning for Murder Mystery Event. October 29 8pm via Zoom or Webinar. 10 cast members from faculty are playing. 12 needed. Sign-ups will drive how the group will be hosted. Marketing just now beginning. Dress rehearsal Monday of that week.
 4. Health & Wellness: Zoë Williams absent.
 5. Community Outreach: Meralee Hoffelt
 - i. Fall Festival-October 22nd organization pick-up at roundabout. 1Ls can grab their pumpkins all week. October 29/30 scene set-up and judging at 3pm. Winner earns prizes and bragging rights.

- ii. Custodian Gifts-lots of limitations as to what can actually be done, but the C/O committee has come up with ideas for distribution of gifts throughout the coming months.
 - iii. Cans for Cold Calls-Scheduled for November 9-13.
 - iv. Finals Snacks-SBA has agreed to help.
 - v. Request for help on committee.
- 6. Finance: Edward Bowden: sending out reminders to treasurers of orgs to request money because there. \$7.5K in general fund needs to be spent as Covid-relief earmark.
- 7. Diversity: Leonela Urrutia-asked to support the BLSA and NAPLSA and take a stance on or help amplify the message of RA!HR!
 - i. Leo says it's a request for general support, but this is very unclear from the letter or their Facebook page.
 - ii. Edward and Meralee cannot tell what they are requesting.
 - iii. Tatum said we should consider asking them to revise and clarify the message.
 - iv. Leo says maybe we don't have to sign on to the letter, but we could work collectively to support our Native students.
 - 1. Ex: Draft a letter to the school to show support for Indigenous People's Day; speak out against Columbus Day.
 - v. Meralee mentioned that the Chancellor sent an email about this very group in an October 9th email. The University is at least recognizing that their concerns exist.
 - vi. Serena mentioned this likely is a Lexi Freeman as the Dean of Diversity and Inclusion.
 - vii. Leo said she will contact Emeka for more information before recommending the SBA sign on.

V. **NEW BUSINESS**

- 1. RAHR Statement (see above).
- 2. Pumpkin Carving: Who is interested in carving pumpkins?
 - i. Tatum said she would not be able to carve a pumpkin.
 - ii. Gabi said we could make them intentionally bad.
 - iii. Tempest reminded us we can paint or carve the pumpkin.
 - iv. Jaime reminded the group the C/O committee decided we could do a composite portrait of the SBA crew.
 - 1. Marisa, Tempest, Meralee, Serena, Jaime, Tatum, Gabi, Leo, Tatum will do Edward's.

VI. **STUDENT CONCERNS**

- 1. Gabi-various 1Ls talking about LLSA involvement and can non-members be a member of a specific group? Hard to know how to get involved when not a member. Leo clarified how the affinity group events work.
- 2. Marisa-Covid app kicked her out and it won't let her back in.

3. Registration-Confusing communication related to registration and course offerings. Pushed back to November 6th. Course catalogue out on October 22nd (maybe). We now have been told to wait-and-see. Tatum says the class she is supposed to teach now as a University instructor. Who do we go to?
4. Final exams are not posted on finals website yet. The registrar says this is due to the professor not getting it to the registrar. Professors have communicated certain times and formats and that they have submitted but there is not information for many, many classes.

VII. **CALENDAR**

1. Fall Festival-October 29-30
2. Murder Mystery: October 29
3. HRAC Training
4. Class Registration: November 6
5. Cans for Cold Calls: November 9-13

VIII. **REMARKS FOR THE GOOD OF THE ORDER**

1. Tatum commended Jaime-1L newsletter and getting involved so quickly.

IX. **MOTION TO ADJOURN**

1. Leo moves to end the meeting; Serena seconded the motion.
2. Meeting adjourned at 5:36.