

## **SBA Minutes October 19, 2011**

October 19, 2011  
4:30-5:30 p.m.  
Room 270

### I. Call to Order

### II. Roll Call & Approve Minutes

- a. Absent: Matt, Mimi
- Minutes: APPROVED from last week

### III. Guest Speakers

- a. Eric Bono
  - i. Casey: Asked about basketball networking event and CDC's participation in it.
    - 1. Dean Bono: wanted to move the focus from programming to job-getting. Still want to cosponsor programs, but developed policy and created a form for co-sponsorship to try to have a policy. If want support, then complete checklist of tasks so that career services has more time to meeting with employers, but still get money and publicity.
    - 2. Katy: What does that checklist involve and should you spend it on the student list serve?
      - a. The checklist involves details on how to run and event and it would be great to get on the list serve!
  - ii. Annual government and public interest fair on Nov 15 hosted with CU, some informational and some interviewing
  - iii. Eric: Could you identify which firms are hiring so that students know?
    - 1. Yes, will indicate which are hiring!
  - iv. A lot of bad press about law schools and employment statistics. Recently put employment statistics on website (90 percent) and how got to the percent. Also put a grid to see how many jobs were full time, part time, legal, non legal, law school funded.
  - v. US News numbers may be lawyer because use an unfavorable formula
  - vi. Let us know if we can be more transparent, being openly audited right now.
  - vii. Busy rolling out student development program. Reaching out to evening students as well to schedule career appointments.
  - viii. Andy: It is difficult for evening students to attend career programs because it is only during the day.

1. Bono: yes, we understand that is a problem and we want to hear ideas and attempt to address it.
- b. Dean Katz
- i. Sent out year in review information. Does it now because U.S. news voters vote in October.
  - ii. Bar pass data is GREAT!
  - iii. Bar passage rates in the past have been horrible. In 2007 the bar passage/success program was put together and we are starting to see the results.
  - iv. Approach the bar with a “healthy degree of fear” not too confident, but not too fearful.
  - v. Alex: Kendra and I are in charge of faculty interviews, how do you want us to participate?
    1. Dean Katz: participation of the students is helpful in considering who to make offers to, take student reports on candidates seriously. The goal is to have the students do the interviewing come and present a report to the faculty (orally or written) regarding what students think of candidates. Want students to add perspective (how would they be as teachers, communicate), what is the level of respect? Looking for people with experimental learning skills.
  - vi. 90% passage rates and 8 students are appealing
  - vii. Casey: are all of the policies and changes for bar passage in effect?
    1. Dean Katz: yes, but not all of them are in full effect. Having teachers bring up bar questions that might come up. The bar success program collecting data now. Also increased law school GPA for good standing requirement raised (now 2.3) because bar passage rates correlate with GPA. Also admission requirements have changed to let people in that will pass the bar. Will probably still see a slight increase in the bar passage rate.

#### IV. Treasurer’s Report

- a. No requests this week.

#### V. Senator Reports / Committee Reports

- a. Alex: sign up list for faculty hiring committee. Free coffee and free buffet for lunch!
- b. Eric: For power outlets in the forum, can we get power cords so that more people can plug in computers?
  - i. Casey will look into it
- c. Ramsey: Motion to close bookstore except by appointment only. Expense because it is the only expense.
  - 2<sup>nd</sup>: Jex
    - i. Katy: numbers? What are the records

1. 600 dollars of revenue, but only 10 percent goes to SBA
2. Paying for someone to stay there 2700 losing a semester
3. Idea to keep open 1<sup>st</sup> month or last month of school, meantime by appointment only
- ii. Ari: close it for now, but proposal to make it profitable again
- iii. Shannon: Chad said he was going to take finance committee back to fundraising committee. Still looking into what we can/cannot do under contract students sign, bi laws, constitution. Motion to Table until Chad is here.
  1. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Andy
- iv. Move to amend motion to suspend activity in SBA bookstore except by appointment only until there is a formal recommendation from the finance committee and fundraising committee before the end of this semester.
  1. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Ari
  2. Shannon figure out what books, etc. are ours
- v. Move to Table
  1. 2<sup>nd</sup>: Kendra
  2. Andy: had an extensive conversation on Monday and Chad is aware of thoughts.

PASSED: tabled until next week

- vi. Ramsey: Keeping school open later was referred to quality circles
- vii. Tony: when garage is left open evening students have no place to park
  1. Eric: has been an issue of the past parking passes indicate that we have a spot, but the

#### VI. President's Report

- a. Graduation was boring and not inclusive (comments from before) if anyone is interested, Professor Miccio is interested in making it more student inclusive. Contact Casey

#### VII. Announcements- None.

#### VIII. Adjourn 5:40 pm