

SBA MINUTES  
January 13, 2010

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call – missing Patrick Hutchinson
- III. Approve Minutes – yes
- IV. Appointments
  - a. LLM Rep – Brent Burgie
- V. Inspiring words from Dean Katz
  - a. Two pieces - Strategic Plan
    - i. Modern Learning Initiative
      - 1. More that we can integrate teaching/learning experience, so we learn in context, i.e. Clinical programs. Live client experiences, simulations. Have two adjuncts help with this program, do discovery, have trial, post-trial arguments, etc.
      - 2. Increase these opportunities! Learn skills and theory, ethics, identification simultaneously.
      - 3. Supplement with externships, whole course simulations, have more opportunities even in “regular” classes.
      - 4. Still in middle of hiring people for school, 3 of 4 individuals who have accepted will be clinicians
    - ii. Providing particular areas of specialty
      - 1. International and Comparative Law
      - 2. Environmental and Natural Resource Law
      - 3. Workplace (Employment) Law
      - 4. Add two more: Business/Corporate Law and Constitutional Rights/Remedies
  - b. Hope is that each area of specialization will have a clinic attached to it; have synergy between the different areas.
  - c. Template approved overwhelmingly by faculty. Next step is implementing program. Will be appointing several committees designed to update Katz on different steps the programs will take – each committee will be in charge of one step.
  - d. One group critical to implementation will be the students! 10-12 committees that will outreach to a number of groups that will include students. Have basics of the plan and lots of faculty support.
  - e. Also looking to pilot a career development position – help coordinate employers with students

## VI. Treasurer's Report

- a. \$29,678.70, no new finance requests, without LRAP

## VII. Unfinished Business

### a. Phil/Alan

#### i. Future of bookstore

1. Traditionally fundraising VP runs bookstore, pd for time.
2. Learned that in past it was paid through workstudy
3. Alan applied for workstudy, told in October there were no funds to pay him; Alan had already put in time at the store.
4. Association with workstudy doesn't make a lot of sense, there are also issues with continued funding thorough workstudy. Deans agree that we need to separate bookstore from workstudy. Have it be a student-run business – moving forward we can make it look more like a business, look at profits, etc. Can run either by volunteer or pay out of bookstore revenue.
5. If we pay out of revenue, we will also decouple Fundraising VP position from being exclusive employee of the bookstore.
  - a. Chris – a number of people have asked how the store works in terms of selling.
    - i. Operates on consignment.
  - b. Melina – pay out twice a year?
    - i. Twice a semester.

### b. Karina – GSAC

- i. 27<sup>th</sup> is Grad Experience Fair in Forum. Four other grad schools here, set up booths, invite undergrads too.
- ii. We will be hosting this event, goodwill!
- iii. DU Hockey Grad Day – will have 150 tix available to all grad schools, cost will be \$5.00 per ticket, in February.

### c. Committee Reports

#### i. Fundraising Committee – Alan

1. Sold \$3600 in books/sweatshirts, etc. \$700 in income for SBA.
2. Next big thing is the Race, responsibilities have been assigned. Sunday 4/18 is day of Race.
3. Goals – continue sales at similar level at bookstore, will discuss sweatshirt sales, how to sell older books for students

#### ii. Communications – John C

1. Updated Facebook, website
2. Goal: get poster up by next week with our names, photos, emails.

- iii. Social Committee – Darryl
  - 1. Last semester had a few Bar Reviews, did Winter Clothing drive, had Late Night Breakfast
  - 2. Goal: Game night, Barrister’s Ball, would also like to have another Late Night Breakfast
- iv. Rule Committee – Tom
  - 1. Last semester went through Constitution and Bylaws, came up with all changes that need to be made and will present next week
  - 2. Goal: See if there are any further changes that we’d like to make with Senate input
- v. Finance Committee – Jon H.
  - 1. Redone two forms, two more forms to get out
  - 2. Funded great events!
  - 3. President budget: current \$2,897.62 (used 59%)
  - 4. Travel budget: current \$2,737.44 (used 73%)
  - 5. Speaker: current \$5,320.87 (used 56%)
  - 6. General account – roughly \$15k not specifically allocated to anything. Can use and transfer some of that!
    - a. John C. a lot of travel requests were for Spring, many tend to travel in Fall
    - b. Chris – Does travel money go for trips in the Summer? Anything that happened this past summer comes out of this budget.
    - c. Julie – New SBA begins at beginning of summer? Yes, but final budget isn’t approved until SBA meets in Fall.
  - 7. **Alan – Move to Extend Meeting by 10 minutes, Darryl seconds. Approved.**
- vi. President’s Report
  - 1. SBA Update email – suggestions on content? Would like to get that out by Monday.
  - 2. Legal Excellence Series – This week:
    - a. Sr. Judge Ebel speaking at 12pm on 26<sup>th</sup>
    - b. Donald Sturm – Mar. 24<sup>th</sup> @ 12
    - c. Still working on Justice Ide
  - 3. Grad Experience Fair
  - 4. SBA Retreat/Idea Raiser – Phil can send out “survey” to us for vote
  - 5. Vision for the Semester
    - a. Goal is to empower Senators and be active! Need to spend it or lose \$\$ in next budget!