

SBA Minutes

September 30, 2009

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
 - a. Missing Patrick, Jon Hiller
- III. Approve Minutes from 9/23/09 – with revisions
 - a. **Approved.**
- IV. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Current Financial Status - \$72,382.59
 - b. Finance Requests

To: International Law Society

Event: Introduction to the International Law Society

Current Balance: \$3,170.47

Total Org. Members: 225

Expected Attendance: 75

Requested Amount Per Student: \$2.33 Total: \$175.00

Speaker Dates: September 1, 2009

Finance Committee Recommendation: \$175 = \$2.33 per person

Alan Moved for Approval, Melina seconded.

Darryl – why did they request money if they already have so much in their account?

John C - When orgs originally request a total budget, it is submitted with certain events in mind. This event was not one of their original requests.

Motion passes.

To: International Law Society

Event: Lecture on Afghanistan, Pakistan, and US

Current Balance: \$3,170.47

Total Org. Members: 225

Expected Attendance: 90

Requested Amount Per Student: \$3.05 Total: \$275.00

Speaker Dates: September 8, 2009

Finance Committee Recommendation: \$275 = \$3.05 per person

Chris - Motion to Approve, Second by Karina.

Darryl – Didn't approve last request and doesn't want to approve this one, they have money in their account. After you run out of money you should ask SBA, not beforehand.

Melina – Agrees. Need to come up with a policy to that effect.

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Phil – Regardless of account balance, speaker allocations are something orgs should come to SBA for.

Casey – These events were not expected in budget for last year, can't always prepare for that, but introduction to law is something you should plan for (?)

Motion passes.

To: Federalist Society (With BLS = 350 Members)

Event: Mentorship Reception (Alcohol Request)

Current Balance: \$1,799.64

Total Org. Members: 70

Expected Attendance: 60

Requested Amount Per Student: \$3.33 Total: \$200.00

Speaker Dates: October 22, 2009

Finance Committee Recommendation: \$200.00 = \$3.33 per person

Katie – Alcohol request is still pending.

Motion by Alan, Second by John C.

John C - Taking Sodexo amount into account now or in the future? In the future.

Phil – In terms of cost, there's a fee for bartenders per number of people, alcohol itself not too expensive, but must have food and alcohol must cease to be served within half hour of running out of food.

John C – Total cost for alcohol was \$300, agreed to front \$100.

Darryl – What happens if alcohol request isn't approved? Doesn't get money, but this will be something Jon Hiller will have to follow up on.

Melina – What would be effect of tabling until request is approved?

John – That's fine, maybe vote conditionally now?

Tom – Suggest waiting until we have full approval.

Melina – Could possibly be another vote anyway.

Darryl – How long for approval? By Friday.

Amend to approve pending administrative approval, Karina. Motion passes.

To: Federalist Society (Co-sponsors – DU Law Review, BLS, SBA?)

Event: Atty. Gen. John Suthers

Current Balance: \$1,799.64

Total Org. Members: 70

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Expected Attendance: 150

Requested Amount Per Student: \$3.33 Total: \$500.00

Speaker Dates: October 22, 2009

Finance Committee Recommendation: \$300.00 = \$2.00 per person

Alan moves for approval, John C seconded.

Phil – Recruiting hard for this to be a big event, trying to get attendance from Business School, money would be for food and alcohol for attorneys coming in.

Karina – Trouble breaking event into two events.

Phil – They are two different events, first supposed to be mentor/mentee event, second event is open to entire school.

Motion passes unanimously.

ABA Lt. Gov. (Cassandra Fava)

Travel To: ABA Regional Conference in San Francisco

Number of Students: 1

Est. Cost Per Student: \$259.81 **Total:** \$259.81

2/3 of Est Cost per Student: \$NA

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Travel Dates: October 9 – October 11, 09

Finance Committee Recommendation: \$259.81

Melina moves for approval, Sarah seconds.

Motion passes unanimously.

To: International Commercial Arbitration Assoc.

Event: Vis Moot Team Practice Competition / Networking

Current Balance: \$336.94

Total Org. Members: ?

Expected Attendance: 35 (15 of which are judges or attys)

Requested Amount Per Student: \$11.11 Total: \$1,000.00

Speaker Dates: November 21, 2009

Finance Committee Recommendation: \$290.00 = \$3.00 pp for breakfast and appetizers; and \$4.00 per person for judge and participant lunch)

Lindsay moves for approval, Maureen seconded. Passes unanimously.

- V. Unfinished business
- a. Appointments – Welcome!
 - i. 3LE Senator – Jason Gardener (sp?)
 - ii. 4LE Senator – Ashleigh Wiggins
 - b. Proposal for Co-Sponsorship

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- i. **Move to re-table to next week, will have better scheme next week with administrative guidelines.**

VI. New Business

a. Introduce Steven Brantz

- i. New Student Org -- University of Denver Military Law Society
 1. **Alan – Motion to recognize**
 2. Darryl – What is purpose? What type of programs?
 - a. Promote discussion about UCMJ, educate students, network, advocate for more interaction with military lawyers. Create different avenues for interaction with military legal system. Open to everyone in law school.
 - b. Hoping to have a few speakers, look at land mark cases, open to all suggestions! Has good ideas for fundraisers. Would also like to create some scholarships.
 3. Tom – In contact with CDC for resources?
 - a. Came to SBA first. Has been talking with Nat'l Guard and Army and working to get funding, but hasn't done anything yet.
 4. Darryl – Is there an undergrad organization similar?
 - a. Yes, number of different orgs that advocate military in general. Value of this society is that we would be specifically targeted on military individuals with law degrees, more tailored.
 5. Melina – Great idea, would GLBT be welcome?
 - a. Of course. Military policy is not exclusive in any way, more participants the better.
 6. **Motion passes.**

b. Alan

- i. Race Judicata proposal from Finance Committee
 1. **Alan – Move approval, John C seconds.**
 - a. John C – If in future, if SBA or FC would like to disperse funds to LRAP, can they do that? Yes. Up to that year's FC.
 - b. Maureen – Is there a reason we need to name beneficiaries now? Can't talk about anyone specific because we haven't talked about LRAP yet.
 - c. Phil – There are other scholarship funds being considered, but we can't approach them if LRAP is other beneficiary.
 - d. Melina – Want to support, will not be voting for this. Boruta is already endowed.
 - e. Maureen – Coming from outside perspective, only reason is I've been given for not funding LRAP is as a sort of punishment for lack of assistance from administration last year. Not incentive for help next year.
 - f. Colleen – Another concern, unusual that we'd have an annual fundraiser that would give money to different organizations.

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- i. Not unusual, our goal is to have consistent beneficiaries from year to year.
 - g. Melina – Boruta pays 4 people while they’re in school? Yes. Does this money go to people before they graduate? Yes.
 - h. Julie – Has there been any attempt to approach administration from last year, voice concerns, and ask if they’d participate this year? Response was, “we’ll see.”
 - i. John C- Should consider this discussion from other 50%, what other scholarships you’re considering?
 - i. This particular recommendation is not to punish administration. Idea is make race more connected to current student body.
 - j. Karina – Already gives money to LRAP, trying to move race into different area.
 - 2. **Motion passes. 50% of race proceeds will be allocated to Boruta Fund, 50% to another student scholarship fund, yet to determined, with a preference towards those promoting public interest.**
 - ii. General Bylaw upkeep – proposal to update all Bylaws
 - 1. Asked Tom to help update not only Bylaws and Constitution.
 - iii. Malpractice Bowl
 - 1. Phil mentioned this, contacted by Rocky Vista Medical School. Want to organize football game between med students/law students. Have proposed 10/17, other dates into November.
- c. Reports
 - i. President's Report
 - 1. Wants to get in speaker series, will update on progress.
 - 2. Also working towards co-sponsoring talk with Atty General in evening, Judge Ebell would be at noon (if we can get him here). Judge would speak about judicial independence, but would also like for him to speak about oral arguments. Met also with Justice Ide, will really help us push to get Justice Thomas here! Also, 10th Circuit is Justice Sotomayor’s circuit and she will be here in Denver next year anyway, will certainly try to get her here!
 - 3. Went to business school to partner with Atty General event.
 - ii. **Move for SBA to be official co-sponsors, and allocate \$200. Passes unanimously.**

VII. Adjourn