

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

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Absent this week:
 - 1. LLM Senator Edith Pando
 - 2. 3L Evening Senator Pamela Carty
 - 3. 1L Evening Senator Suren Bhuvanenthiran
 - B. Minutes
 - 1. Approved; none opposed; Lillie Parker abstained
- II. Guest Speaker: Assistant Dean Eric Bono
 - A. What is going on in the CDO
 - 1. An exciting time, beginning to talk with 1Ls
 - 2. A career self assessment work shop
 - a. So often, people get caught up in deadlines
 - b. But do not proactively plan exactly what they will do or how they will be competitive
 - c. This Friday will be the first time
 - d. Oct 22 will also be run for evening students
 - 3. Next week begins a mandatory 1L series; but 2Ls and 3Ls are also welcome
 - a. First, Wed Oct 22, is professionalism in hiring process; what hiring people like and don't like
 - b. The following week will be resume and cover letter advice
 - 4. Still plugging away at 3Ls
 - a. Especially for one without post graduate plans yet
 - b. Not recommended to wait until after bar results
 - c. Try meet with CDO at least once a semester but of course more is better
 - d. The more the CDO know about you, the better they can help
 - 5. Class of 2014
 - a. Recent bar results
 - b. Beat CU again
 - c. Note that CDO services do not stop after graduation or bar results
 - d. It is for life, even in transitions
 - 6. A "slew" of programs
 - a. Focus with JD Advantage Society
 - b. Government and Public interest fair in Boulder
 - c. CDO will rent a bus for this event
 - d. Would love to "overwhelm" CU with DU students
 - e. Small/Medium firm networking event coming up
 - f. Other upcoming events are on the calendar; maybe 2-3 things a week
 - B. Q&A
 - 1. What is the hire rate for post grad from OCI v. elsewhere
 - a. Numbers are on website; may have to click around
 - b. But in 2013, less than 5% of jobs were obtained from OCI

- c. Lower than past years, but not dramatically so
 - d. Really because big law firms do most of OCI and their hiring practices are changing
 - e. Even for the CDO, OCI is a small percentage
 - f. Bottom line, do not rely on OCI
 2. Compliments about adding evening time slots and resources for evening students
 3. Residency programs, is it growing?
 - a. Hopefully it is growing
 - b. CDO is ahead from last year
 - c. Residency program is an initiative from Dean Katz and the CDO as an opportunity to get hands on training after graduation
 - d. Last year was a pilot year and 11 employers participated
 - e. Right now in the process of recruiting employers, currently ahead of last year at the same time
 4. Fellowships; specifically for judicial, or other public interests?
 - a. Related to Residencies, but not quite; DU pays half time to work as judicial clerk
 - b. Biggest participant is 1st and 18th judicial district
 - c. Also have programs with AG and Denver City Attorney
 - d. Found funding for program with Equal Justice Works for post grad work on immigrant children
 - e. Applications for AG is going on now on Simplicity
 - f. City Attorney is now concentrating on class of 2014
 - g. Judicial will be later next semester
 5. Residencies and Fellowships included in career statistics?
 - a. Residencies are considered full time long term jobs under ABA
 - b. Fellowships count as well, but reports must include “school funded jobs”
- III. Committee
- A. Finance
 - B. Social
 - a. Things are going well for Barristers; DJ under contract
 - b. Talks about combining Halloween and next bar review early on Oct 31
 - C. Community
 - a. Reached out to community schools for trick or treat, result was weak; Ricks Center will be coming
 - b. Did something similar last year with Ricks Center; will we set up a table again?
 - c. Denver Police District 6 is looking for 10 volunteers for a Halloween event for children up to 12 years old; McGruff will be there! If interested, talk to Kelsey Tipps
 - D. Graduate Student Government
 1. No meeting last night
 2. Big event of interdisciplinary graduate research event
 - a. Seeking \$500 and Law student participation
 - b. Modeled after undergraduate (and even middle school science fair)
 - c. Some requirements do not fit law school, such as previously presented research; the law school is different from other graduate programs
 - d. Maybe could work around these and talk about clinical experiences and externships

- e. Also could get a joint JD and Masters student
- f. Scheduled for end of Jan, but registration deadline is Dec 1
- g. Will let this “stew”
- E. Communications: none
- F. Dean’s Excellence
 - 1. Meeting with Dean Powell
- IV. Previous Business
 - A. Order of the Coif
 - 1. Retroactively applies for 2 years
 - 2. Currently checking with Alumni office
 - B. Bylaws
 - 1. Art III Sec 1 E: Emergency Reserve Fund
 - a. Clarified what happens when “emergency situation” is approved
 - b. Move to amend
 - c. Approved; none opposed; none abstained
 - 2. Art III Sec 1 F: Emergency Reserve Fund funded by all unused SBA Senate accounts the previous year
 - a. Move to amend
 - b. Approved; none opposed; none abstained
 - 3. Art III Sec 1 G: Creation of an endowed fund from Emergency Reserve Fund
 - a. Changed when endowment shall be done
 - b. Move to amend
 - c. Approved; none opposed; none abstained
 - 4. Art III Sec 1 *Gbeta*: Replaces G upon creation of endowed fund; SBA decides how much from Emergency Reserve Fund is placed in endowed fund at start of year
 - a. Move to amend
 - b. Approved; none opposed; none abstained
 - 5. Art IV Sec 4 B.2: New SBA travel funding amounts from \$400 to \$500 per individual; and from \$1200 to \$1500 per organization
 - a. Added that individual amounts are also limited to one academic year
 - b. Move to amend
 - c. Approved; none opposed; none abstained
- V. New Business
 - A. SBA No Shave November
 - 1. Donate to prostate cancer
 - 2. Also consider a Women’s cancer event too
 - 3. Problem with professionalism and “clean shaven look”
 - 4. What is SBA’s role?
 - a. Use name
 - b. Use any funds if need be
 - 5. Consider for next week
- VI. Adjourn