

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

- I. Call to Order
 - A. Attendance
 - 1. Absent: Knicky, Lee
 - B. Minutes
 - 1. Approved
 - 2. None opposed; Suren abstained
- II. Guest Speaker
 - A. Patty Powell, Dean of Student Affairs
 - 1. Current Events in Student Affairs
 - a. Dean Powell will be shifting to Director of Academic Achievement
 - b. Search will begin for new Dean of Student Affairs this summer
 - c. Future announcement on budget
 - d. Katie Frederick will be working on the student award ceremony and student commencement speaker
 - e. Wellness program continues with the chair massages and yoga, but new programs coming up
 - f. Always looking for feedback on new email policy
 - g. Currently working on a better way to organize the Events Calendar (i.e. color coding)
 - 2. Work with campus safety
 - a. Worked with campus safety on the recent uptick
 - b. However, can only be reactive
 - c. Currently looking for suggestions on how to be more proactive
 - 3. 1L Grades
 - a. Also work with student in this area
 - b. Can sometimes be solved via small tweaks
 - c. Also meets personally with those who are dismissed for academic reasons and those on probation
 - 4. Academic Advising
 - a. Working to create a sustainable academic advising scheme
 - b. Not a typical program in law schools
 - c. Will not use a model of assigning faculty member to a group of students
 - d. Academic Advising sessions and Advising Fairs have been positive, but have not achieved full coverage
 - e. Currently working on “maps” between academic advising and career advising; suggested courses for certain areas of law and suggested faculty
- III. Committee Updates
 - A. Finance
 - 1. Individual student travel request to Spain to present at international conference
 - a. Recommend \$500

- b. Motion to approve \$500
 - c. Approved; none opposed/abstained
 - 2. ABA National Appellate Advocacy travel request
 - a. Requesting \$909; has not been discussed by Finance Committee
 - b. Motion to approve 909
 - c. Approved; none opposed; Joey Mark abstained
 - 3. Special Event Request from Corporate Governance Society: Harvey Pitt, SEC Chairmen
 - a. Request for \$800
 - b. Motion to approve
 - c. Approved; none opposed, none abstained
 - 4. Special Event Request from Business Law Society for Business Law Week
 - a. Request \$550 for lunches over the week
 - b. Motion to approve
 - c. Approved, none opposed, none abstained
 - B. Social
 - 1. Bar Review last week
 - a. Not super well
 - b. Considering some tweaks in time, location etc...
 - 2. Barrister's
 - a. 1Ls freaking out, chill
 - b. Ticket sale website is working with no glitches; may begin sooner this year, around first week of March
 - c. Few more details to work out
 - C. Communications
 - 1. Working on getting new Bylaws posted
 - D. Elections
 - 1. Candidacy starting Feb 18th to 25th
 - 2. Campaigning March 2 to 6
 - 3. Voting March 7 to 9
 - 4. Elections party with results on March 11th SBA Meeting
 - a. Thoughts on moving the meeting to the party location
 - b. It would make the SBA meeting go smoother; voting may be more lively
 - c. Motion to move SBA meeting to bar
 - d. Approved; none opposed, none abstained
 - 5. Tabling for candidacy packets
- IV. Adjourned