



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

I. Call to Order

a. Welcome

b. Attendance

i. Absent

1. James Harmoush
2. Ashley Lloyd
3. Josh Nowak

c. Introduction of Guests

i. Emily Cederberg

1. Spring Registration is coming up
2. Class schedules will be up soon for the Summer and Fall tentatively
3. 3Ls should check the spelling of their name and other errors for the upcoming graduation

4. Discussion:

- Ken – Will 1LE be getting the same time tickets?
- Emily – Anyone with same number of credit hours are in the same block, and it goes random from there within the block.
- Ken – How large is the block for 31 people?
- Emily – It's probably one 10 minute block and then another, pretty close together.
- Ken – Yeah, I've been telling people to register right away.
- Emily – Yeah, register right away and waitlist right away.
- Liz – We inquired about getting class rank updates in semester as well, what is going on with that?
- Emily – We'd have to talk to faculty about that, and it would be a pretty big change. Current staffing levels really don't accommodate for it.

d. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting

e. Notes from the President

i. Election Party

1. **Summary:** We have to have the party before the end of March.
2. **Discussion:**

Alex – We are doing it on the 23rd.

ii. Student Awards

1. **Summary:** Every year we do awards like the Bloody Hatchet for professors and Outstanding 2L, etc. for students.
2. **Discussion:**

Chris – Whoever does this committee, (April 27th is the last for professors nominating students) we will pair together for May 20th.

II. Committee Updates

a. ABA

- i. Civil Rights and Social Justice ABA Committee
 1. They are looking for people to do this. Anyone interested should get with the ABA Committee.
- ii. Liaison Positions
 1. There are still positions open.

b. Finance

- i. Transaction Competition
 1. **Summary:** This is for two students. They went to Regionals and won, so now they are going to New York. The CBA division is giving them most of the funding and Corporate Governance gave them money as well. They are asking for \$475 to cover travel costs. Finance recommends that amount.
 2. **Motion to Approve:**
 - a. Liz Abstains, Motion Passes
- ii. Phi Delta Phi
 1. **Summary:** They're doing a recognition dinner for 70 people and are asking for \$700. That would leave their account at zero, so finance recommends \$800. The amount in question is all for food, and this is the only event they've done this year through SBA.
 2. **Discussion:**

Mattson – Point of Information. How much do we still have in the Event budget?

- Liz – \$7,400.
- Chris – When I was in the SBA last year we didn't fund for these closed events, and I believe there is something in the Bylaws about not doing it. SBA doesn't typically fund recognition dinners when it is not open to the entire law school.
- Liz – Is that in the Bylaws? Where in the Bylaws?
- Mattson – Criminal Law Review talked about how you can't use student funds that are not for the entire student body.
- Steven – There is nothing in the Bylaws about it, I just went through and edited the Bylaws this week and there was nothing in there about closed events.
- Suren – We should just say no and not set a precedent.
- Liz – I agree with the reasoning of not funding closed events since they're not open to the entire student body.
- Cat – We have had events in the past where we funded them even though they were closed.
- Knicky – What are the requirements for being in Phi Delta Phi?
- Steven – You have to have a 3.0. I think "enrichment" of the student body should be the test for event funding and this doesn't qualify.
- Mattson – Motion to Table Indefinitely.

3. Motion to Table Indefinitely

- a. Alex Opposed
- b. Steven and Jason Abstain
- c. Motion Passes

iii. Sports and Entertainment

1. **Summary:** They are partnering with ILS and want \$150 for lunch at a speaker event.
2. **Motion to Approve**
 - a. Liz Abstains
 - b. Motion Passes

iv. BLSA (Black Law Student Association)

1. **Summary:** Jason was approached by Chris, (a member of BLSA) because they were having trouble putting together a request with their President and Treasurer out of town. They are partnering with the ACLU for a Law and Hip Hop

event. They are requesting \$300, which leaves them \$300 short of their total. The event is in 2 days, and since the SBA did not meet last week we can make an exception for the timing. Finance recommends approval.

2. **Motion to Approve:**

- a. Liz Abstains
- b. Motion Passes

c. Social

i. Chili Cook Off

- 1. **Summary:** Turnout was good and winners were announced. We are still waiting back on credit card sales, but Knicky believes \$800 was raised for the respective charities.

ii. Barrister's Ball

- 1. **Summary:** The menu is finalized, physical tickets have been ordered, over half the tickets are gone, and over \$7,000 has been raised. At the end of March last year they only had \$1,975 in sales. Ticket cost goes up to \$30 from \$25 on 3/15. Knicky is coordinating to have 1L's go out and explain things like what it is and what to wear.
- 2. **Discussion:**

Suren – There are issues with the website you order the tickets from, and with getting the one free ticket we get as members of SBA.

Knicky – Everyone in SBA does get one ticket and you can figure that out with me.

Steven – I've already ordered two and am in the process of figuring out how to get a refund. I'll let Knicky know when I find out.

d. Community Outreach

e. Elections

- i. **Summary:** Elections are rolling out. Nominations are due by Friday, the week after Spring Break is campaigning, March 28th and 29th are when the elections are being held, and on the 30th the announcements will be made.
- ii. **Discussion:**

Liz – Do 3Ls get to vote?

Alex – No.

Jason – I'm pretty sure that everyone is running is President. How are we going to fill the rest of the Executive Board?

Steven – You can appoint from body of SBA to the Senate, and from the Senate to an Executive Board position. It's a roundabout way, but that's how it would have to be done.

III. Student Concerns

IV. Previous Business

- a. AAP Backroom
 - i. **Summary:** Steven will be meeting with Chris Newman and Alexandria Wilson to discuss how to better handle the storage of student organization's materials.
- b. Movie Night
 - i. **Summary:** Steven will get with everyone next meeting about the cost for the screening rights for legal movies on campus. There is nothing good in the public domain, and the university counsel is not on board with the Fair Use argument.

V. New Business

- a. Award for Diversity Champion
 - i. **Summary:** Chris will be talking to us about this again at the next meeting.

VI. Adjourn