

SBA MINUTES
March 2, 2011

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
 - a. Missing Maureen Weiland, Christina Huszcza, Jason Gardner, Thomas Keller, Non Coppero
- III. Approve Minutes from 2/23/10
 - a. **Unanimous; passes.**
- IV. Dean Katz
 - a. New initiative through student affairs. I spoke to Dean Vigil about our advising system, or lack of system. Several people around the building have good advice as to what classes to take and how to organize their academic career. We want to find a more systemic way to provide advising.
 - b. I want to introduce you to Eric Bono, our new Assistant Dean of Career Services.
 - i. I will be introducing myself school wide in an e-mail in the next few days.
 - ii. Core mission is to instill in students the skills you need to identify the type of career opportunities you want to pursue and helping you do so. Can we be more active in helping students find specific jobs?
 - iii. Ideas/Goals:
 - 1. Help a significant people get jobs and help a significant number of employers to find employees; we can build loyalty with them for future hiring needs.
 - 2. We are pushing back on employers who only want the top 10%.
 - 3. How do we develop a system of keeping records so we can quickly identify people who are interested in particular areas of law when jobs are posted.
 - 4. 3L exit interviews.
 - iv. Melina: I like the idea of the exit interviews. When will these start?
 - 1. Early April.
- V. Social Committee; Barrister's Ball
 - a. We can sell tickets tomorrow and Friday on the second floor. Next week we will be on Student Street. We have 500 to sell. Cash or check only. \$40.
- VI. Treasurer's Report
 - a. Balances:
 - i. General account: \$2,920.58
 - ii. Speakers/Events: \$7,166.26
 - iii. Travel: \$5,016.65
 - b. Requests:

Tulane Univ Baseball Arbitration National Moot Court Competition

Scott Neckers, Matt Hofmeister, 2 other students (individual request)

Travel to: New Orleans, LA

Date of trip: 2-11-2011

Cost of Trip: \$3,000 (Per person: \$613 total. Airfare \$184.55, Hotel \$409, Food \$20.00)

Fundable: \$400 for first two students, \$250 for third. \$1050 total.

Recommendation: \$1050

Casey moves to approve \$1,050; Melina seconds; unanimous; passes.

Black Law Students Association

Speaker Event: Senator Carroll

Date of Event: 2/28/2011

Expected attendance: 80

Cost of event: \$320

Request amount: \$320

Per person: \$4.00

Recommendation: \$320

Melina moves to approve \$320; Carl seconds.

Chris: Did we not table this so we could see what the actual amount of attendance was? I am still not satisfied with it.

Chris moves to amend to give \$4 per person that attended; Cindy seconds.

Eric: I know attendance was less than 80.

Alan moves to table this until we have an attendance amount; Stephen seconds.

In favor: 11; opposed: 5; passes.

International Law Society

McDougal Distinguished Lecture

Date: 2-26-2011

Expected attendance: 250

Cost of event: \$8000

Contribution: \$7000 – Nanda Center

Request amount: \$1000. Food & Parking.

*No Recommendation. Students to attend meeting.

Michelle (representative): Students were charged \$20; professionals were charged \$40. We had a reception for Jessup. We also covered parking for all the judges.

Heather: How much did you bring it from ticket sales?

Michelle: There were about 110 tickets sold. Not sure about the amount.

Stephen: Without the numbers it is hard to sway our big concerns.

John moves to table; Alan seconds; unanimous; passes.

Corporate Governance Society

Travel – ABA Business Law Meeting

Travel to: Boston, MA

Date: 4-14 through 4-16

Cost of Trip: \$875 (Per person: \$613. Air \$350, Hotel \$540 (shared), Food \$25/day).

Fundable: \$800

Recommendation: \$800

Alan moves to approve \$800; Cindy seconds.

Chris: Kevin, do you know anything about this?

Kevin: No, it is just a sub-chapter.

Cindy: Is this coming from the ABA fund?

John: Yes.

Alan: We have funded this type of trip before.

Unanimous; passes.

Environmental Law Conference

-Provide funding for students through Environmental Law Clinic?

Recommendation: \$1050

Casey: They invite students to go to this every year. I think it the largest environmental law event in the US every year. There are 13 students that want to go. We would be looking at a lot of requests for this event from student orgs so I have been thinking how to do this. The finance committee was to approve the maximum amount we would give an org, give it to the clinic, and they can figure out how to divvy that out.

Chris moves to approve \$1,050 to be used the way discussed; Melina seconds.

Tom: This will be the end of requests for this event?

Casey: Yes.

Alan amends the motion to add that this is the maximum amount we give out; Cindy seconds.

In favor of amendment:

Eric: 15 people are going.

Christina: This was not requested by the clinic. Everyone should be given money.

Eric: It would be given equally between everyone.

In favor of approving all money be equally given out to the students: 16; abstention: 1; passes.

International Law School Association Conference

Chad Lawler

Travel to: Washington, D.C.

Date: 3-23 through 3-26

Cost of Trip: \$609.80. (Air \$359.80, Hotel \$0, Registration: \$50, Food \$200 per day).

Fundable: \$400.00

Recommendation: \$400.00

Alan moves to approve \$400; Melina seconds.

In favor: 16; abstention: 1; passes.

Tom moves to extend meeting by 10 minutes; unanimous; approves.

VII. Senator Reports

- a. Chad: Any open rooms that are not used to put coats and suits.

VIII. Committee Reports

IX. President's Report

X. Announcements

XI. Adjourn

- a. **Kevin moves to adjourn; Cindy seconds; unanimous; passes.**