

STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION MEETING MINUTES

For: August 27, 2006 General Meeting

By: Charlotte Felber, SBA Secretary

Attendance

Present:

Tad Cleaves - President
Joel Roberson - Vice President Day
Maren Solberg - Treasurer
Charlotte Felber - Secretary
Matthew Carey - 2L SBA Rep
Sandra Wortham - 2L SBA Rep
Justin Brunner - 2L SBA Rep
Avery Elofsson - 2L SBA Night Rep
Prashanthi Rao - 3L SBA Rep
Gabriela Reyes-Noyola - 3L SBA Rep
Jordan Powell - 3L SBA Rep
Rachel Levy - ABA Representative
Daniel Robertson - ISBA Representative

Excused Absences:

Daniel Bergin - 2L SBA Rep
Erica Khalili - 3L SBA Rep
Jasmine Simmons - CBA Representative

Minutes

- I. Tad Cleaves:
 - a. Major items to vote on and approve:
 - i. Committee Chairs
 - ii. Night VP.
 - b. Committee Chairs
 - i. Vote to approve Committee Chairperson list.
 1. Motion to vote, Jordan.
 2. Second, Maren.
 3. Move to vote:
 - a. All in favor (vote by hand raise).
 - b. All in favor.
 - c. None opposed.

- d. Motion passed.
 - ii. Note: Committee Chairmen will fill their committees.
 - c. Night VP Position:
 - i. Nomination of Avery Elofsson for night VP by Joel Roberson.
 - ii. Second, Prashanthi.
 - iii. Statements by Avery for why he wants to be Night VP.
 - iv. Avery steps out of the room.
 - v. Discussion about appointing Avery.
 - vi. Motion for vote, Jordan.
 - vii. Second, Prashanthi.
 - viii. Vote:
 - 1. All in favor (note: Avery did not vote because he was out of the room).
 - 2. None opposed
 - ix. Avery Elofsson voted in as Night VP.
- II. President's Report (Tad Cleaves)
 - a. ABA Conference
 - i. Might be able to get funding from ABA (ABA leader at John Marshall).
 - ii. Spoke about issues other schools dealt with.
 - iii. Gabriela Reyes-Noyola (attended ABA conference in place of Rachael Levy).
 - 1. Report on conference.
 - a. Get the word out about the opportunities with ABA:
 - i. Want to be more active in the ABA this year.
 - ii. Active governor this year who brought up recruitment of 1Ls.
 - iii. Fall and Spring Roundtables.
 - iv. Rachel (ABA Representative).
 - 1. Spoke about setting up table during student activities fair.
 - b. Student Organization Fair
 - i. Day: 11:30-1
 - ii. Night: 5-6
 - iii. Will need volunteers to sit at table.
 - c. SBA Office Code: 53031.
- III. Vice President (Joel Roberson)
 - a. Faculty Appreciation Breakfast
 - i. Tentative date: Wednesday October 25.
 - ii. Will need help with set up, etc.
 - b. Take a Break Series:
 - i. Jointly done by alumni office and SBA.
 - 1. They provide food and speakers.
 - 2. SBA is responsible for getting the word out.
 - c. Law Week:
 - i. March 25-31.

- IV. Treasurer (Maren Solberg)
 - a. Student Organization budgeting
 - b. Committee meeting Sunday September 10 at 11am.
 - c. Went through org list to update list of leaders.
- V. Secretary (Charlotte Felber)
 - a. Record Announcements: requested that SBA announcements and information to be published in the Record before Record headlines are due, i.e. noon on Thursday prior to the week of an event.
 - b. Website: request for new or updated information.
- VI. Barristers (Prashanthi Rao)
 - a. Contract signed for Shedd Aquarium
 - b. Discussion of details: cocktail hour, dive, dance.
 - c. Capacity is 600.
 - d. Committee: Maren Solberg, Dan Bergrin, Rachael Levy, Ericka Khalili.
 - e. Goal: \$100 per couple.
 - f. Tad Cleaves: possibility of group deals on tickets?
- VII. Social
 - a. Justin Brunner:
 - i. Met with Maren, Rachael, and Janet.
 - ii. Avery: idea of social events that are geared more towards night students (i.e. something on Friday or the weekend).
 - iii. Tad: maybe not a sponsored event, but just a social get together.
 - iv. First social Aug 31 at Zentra 10pm-1am \$5 cover for 550 people.
 - b. Discussion about amount of people.
 - i. Contract is for 550.
 - ii. Will charge the SBA for people over that.
 - iii. Capacity?
 - c. Tad: first social will be called Dean Sowle Social.
 - d. Tad: idea to ask professor's other than Convisor to donate?
- VIII. Elections (Jordan Powell):
 - a. When:
 - i. week of September 8
 - ii. Campaigning:
 - 1. Sept 11 – 14
 - 2. Campaigning will end morning of Sept 14
 - iii. Elections on 14-15. 10am-2pm and 5 to 7:45pm
 - b. Rachael Levy: sending people to classrooms? Discussion on how to promote elections.
 - c. Elections for night students
 - i. Voting will only be on the 14th for night students (more information to come)
 - ii. To be held at the same time as 1L elections.
 - iii. Six evening positions to fill, two of which are 1L positions.
 - iv. Will have to encourage night students to run for positions.
 - v. Only evening students allowed to vote for evening positions.

- vi. Tad: if these are vacancies, might not have to go through general election process for 2L positions.
 - vii. Jordan: talk to 2 and 3L students. Will have to submit candidate statement and petition statement and will be voted on at the next BOG meeting instead of through general election.
- IX. New Business:
- a. Rachael: Bar and Gavel:
 - i. For people graduating in January, Bar and gavel is supposed to be given out in December.
 - 1. Need to get list of students graduating in December.
 - 2. Nine of the winners should be graduating in the Spring
 - 3. Three of the winners should be graduating in Fall
 - ii. May want to solicit chair person to handle Bar and Gavel.
 - iii. May want to alter the Constitution concerning how many Bar and Gavel winners should be graduating in spring versus fall.
 - iv. Joel: explanation that Bar and Gavel is for those that haven't already been honored or recognized, e.g., by being in Law Review.
 - b. Joel: looking for new initiatives, new ideas for this year.
 - i. Gabriela Reyes-Noyola: scheduling of classes. Many classes overlap by 5 or 10 minutes, which makes it difficult to schedule classes.
 - ii. Rachael Levy: want to continue push for alumni relations.
 - 1. Jordan: alumni relations will help rank and networking opportunities to help impact on school in the long run.
 - 2. Rachael: happy hour with alumni?
 - a. Want connect students with alumni.
 - b. Might help with on-campus interviewing, etc.
 - 3. Jordan: skit done last year with reception afterwards.
- X. Motion to adjourn. Second. Meeting adjourned.