



**Georgetown University Law Center
Student Bar Association
House of Delegates Meeting**

1) Roll Call - Naureen.

Reminder of pictures

2) Student Life- Dana Oronato

She is the advisor for SBA. Pledges support and offers advice on projects. Thanks students for taking time to serve students and asks them to take these issues seriously.

Searching for a coordinator of student organizations who will take over the day to day issues for groups, and will be attending SBA meetings. Three finalists- the person chosen will have lunches with students. She will email Naureen with details.

Commencement (Sunday May 18th) on main campus- looking for students who would work that day.

Games on the green this Friday.

3) Updates.

Leon: Law Alumni Board meeting- presented idea of creating Hoya net, an alumni network. In the upcoming months, they will try to implement this database. It will allow us to search for people by alumni by field, region, etc. and talk to them.

Kevin: Update on Experiential courses. Met with Dean Epstein- looking at a couple of programs available for evening students this spring.

Sam: Survey by Will Drake will be sent out, use it at a meeting with bon Appetit this Friday.

Students should tell their friends.

Jan: Previous meetings have been successful.

Nyasha: Comment box needs to be more obvious.

Matt: This is an issue that has been discussed before, but few results are obvious.

Leon: Make the drop box part of the email.

Ebony: If they are not responding, she will arrange some kind of boycott.

Ebony: National Women's Law Association- Miss J.D.- she is the regional chair. There will be a new organization on campus and for more information check: www.miss-jd.org

Resolution 3: Appointments

Membership on elections and judiciary: Should that be a problem because all appeals go to judiciary.



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Kathryn: No, because judiciary oversees all of them so there would be a conflict if anyone was in any other committee. If there is a conflict, someone can recuse themselves. No constitutional issue.

Tiphannie: In the past, there was a conflict, and the committee chairs recused themselves. Usually not a problem.

Leon: Actually helps to know procedures. Bylaws don't forbid it.

Vote: 20 FOR 1 AGAINST.

Resolution 4: Sentiment of SBA on the Release of WriteOn Results (Drake)

Will: Met with Dean Bellamy last semester, reply was not satisfactory. Last year write-on was due May 29th, but the deadline for Simplicity is July 22nd. Results announced August 6th. So it isn't on the resume that is posted.

OCS says you just bring an updated resume.

You want to make a bid list that is incredibly smart- if your GPA is low, and you sit down with a top ten firm, they will meet with you but not hire you.

All you know is your GPA, and that with Journal are the top things they care about.

All 20 of your firms will get your uploaded firm and they'll decide on their own whether to give you an interview.

Yes, we're in the same boat, but let's make it a better boat.

Matt B: Reasons not to vote aren't enough to convince him that they don't need to address his concerns. Write-on is voluntary, and it takes a long time to grade submissions. Also bidding is for 75 slots, it takes a long time to do it for good reason. If the write-on is moved up, you only have half as long to bid.

Jill: You can still rank your firms and move things around.

Ryan: Concerns- would like to hear more from OJA and OCS more formalistically. Also the write-on process for transfer students happens substantially later so they would not have their results up.

Jan: Even if you disagree, fair to present the issue and work on the dialogue.

Kathryn: Did her bid list in 48 hour and had 25 interviews.

Leon: Create a guide- this is how to do it quickly and efficiently.

Ebony: Responsibilities on delegates. The majority of 2Ls and 3Ls have this issue, think of how your constituents feel about it.

Matt B: But people on journals are also our constituency.



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JM: Asked about bidding system.

Will: Explained system of bidding list.

JM: Can you send your updated resume?

No you get the EIW and journal results at the same time.

Sam: Other law schools?

Will D: Some schools find out earlier.

Ryan: Motion to amend: That in discussions with the administration on this topic, that concerns of transfer student be taken into consideration with regard to the timing of EIW and the equality with the student body as a whole.

Will: Friendly amendment. Incorporated into it.

17 FOR 3 AGAINST

Resolution 5: Free LASIK or Equivalently-valued corrective lenses (Sacks)

Mike: Tabling his resolution for the fall.

Committee reports.

Matt B: Problem with SALSA- they did not meet with student life and they did not do so until today.

Sam: The problem was solved. The wind-down is tomorrow on the green.

Matt J: Last Bar review this Thursday. Education Law and Policy club.

Elena: Will be mailing specials.

Matt J: Thanks for patronage.

FACILITIES

Ebony: Sent a letter, discussed issues such as locker size, carpeting. The first response was that it was a budgeting issue. If you notice any concerns, please email her and she will add them to the list. The problem is getting it on the short-term budget.

Leon: Facilities will send delegates to meet on this issue with student life.

Dana: Make sure list is prioritized.

Recognition was given to Green Committee's work on new bike.

TECH



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JM: Way to improve web page on registrar's office. Wants suggestions- email him.

FOOD and FITNESS

Jan: Spread the word on the survey. Also email suggestions because they're meeting on Friday.

Matt J: How long is the survey online for?

Sam: 48 hours.

Leon: Meetings aren't necessarily an hour long, but this is the last one so we should stay after to talk to committees about summer plans.

FINANCIAL AID

Joshua: Meeting with Dean of financial aid- town hall meeting. You should talk to them about it. The meetings are at eight pm- affecting people all around the country.

Ebony: Is it being recorded?

Matt B: We will all get covered, maybe not the same people, but we will get loans.

Appropriations

Miguel: Thanks to the appropriations committee.

Distributed more money to groups than ever before in a single semester.

Initial budget → 55K for Fall- he went over by a few thousand (maybe 3500).

Options: cross the board cut. That has been done in the past but there is usually a surplus at the end of the year

OR: took 2K out of the supplemental. Could do so because of the 19K set for supplemental only spent less than half. So even if we spend twice as much, still can cover what we're leaving.

Spring was cut a little but more than ever before. Less can generally work because groups tend to ask for a lot less.

Spring- 48K. Fall- 59K

Internal budget- 2K off supplemental, modified numbers on spring and fall so he could do allocation without a cut.

Miguel thinks we should fund student groups as much as we can up front because then less requests for supplemental funding. Recommends that we do it this way. Dana signed off on it as well.



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After this, notify every group what their allocation passed by the house was. They can appeal on the 22nd for appeals night, present case to the appropriations committee. Generally about 6 groups will. Appeal amount the committee grants is usually enough to handle it internally. If more than \$500, either the e-board handles it over the semester or we come back to it in the fall.

Groups can either submit for fall or whole year.

Leon: Appropriations committee spent about 150 hours doing this, so the budget has been doing this.

Miguel: Special thanks to Brandon who is not a committee member

Vote: 22 FOR 0 AGAINST