Meeting Opened: 8:30

Logan Wood

Welcome

Shoutout to Kathryn- great job on merchandise

Lindsay- went to faculty meeting

Voted on several items

- Prof Hall working with university about # of scholarships; trying to get metrics right to stop overextending scholarships
- Grace Giesel hiring two people- doctoral candidate to teach torts and a law skills professor
- Robin Harris- reported that we were voted top campus in LGBT efforts; ranked 3.5 for african american universities
- What were you wearing display- exhibit of outfits worn during sexual assault (no matter what you wear, it can happen to you)
- Dean Crawford- events have been ordering too much food; start applying RSVP's to events
- Teacher evaluation problems- white males getting ranked higher, no clear reason
- BAR discussion- Angela spoke; we have met state standards- have not gotten out-of-state results yet
 - School has been petitioning Supreme Court of Ky for BAR reform
 - Need to start advising student about BAR prep re: scaling
 - Raised MBE score from 132 to 135
 - U of L= 74% pass rate
 - UK= 86%
 - NKU= 60&

Logan- academic calendar- has not been approved for next year; they have proposed two kinds

- 1. Start a week earlier next FAII but be done by THanksgiving
- 2. Some finals before Thanksgiving but some after

New calendar will help alleviate grading schedules for professors If you have questions, see Logan Wood

Upcoming Events

10/26 Development Director is having a NYC alum coming in; wanting to gather students to speak with him. If you're interested, speak to Logan.

All Class Reunion-SBA role is to pass out gifts.

12 SBA members allowed to attend.

Homecoming Tailgate- 10/27

Diversity Event on 10/30

Other Topics:

Professor Giesel wants SBA to meet with each new teacher candidate. 1st candidate will be here on Friday 2:40-3:10

Next candidate coming on 10/24 from 2:40-3:10.

Seven professors up for promotion or review- committee is required to let SBA know. If you have any comments (SBA members), see Logan; students, speak to your reps Professors

- Jamie Abrams
- Laura McNeall
- Shelly Santry
- Goldburn Maynard
- Justin Walker

Professor Ensign

Professor Weaver

Corey Thomas

SGA Supreme Court reviewed our amendments and approved. Submitting to Senate now.

Push Decedent's tickets!

Externships

Motion to table externship resolution till new business

Lindsay Ratliff

No report

Emily Wessel

SBA account

a. SBA Account \$11,222

b. Y Account \$6,951

Need to push events

Address budget concerns

There were problems not being able to discuss adequately. The agreement was to seek the new total amount of \$29,000. We are adding \$11,000 more for this budget.

Unless I've heard you talking about projects, I couldn't add it.

Candise Caylao

Bake Sale- on Halloween
Treats here by wednesday morning
Sale from 11-1 on Wednesday
Individually package all goods

Doing another ABA table in November- Quimbee membership push

Addison

How long do you want table to last?

Candise- 10-1?

Addison Lowry

Decedents 10/25; 9-1 am

Push ticket sales

Would like to make up all money spent.

Need someone to sit at the table to sell tickets. Fill out doc.

We will sell tickets at the door.

Costume contest- not sure about whether we'll do groups or individual contests

Homecoming tailgate
Cracker Barrel spread
Bloody Mary bar and Mimosas
Coffee and OJ
\$10 cover
Parents, friends, family welcome

Huber's Orchard

Are there people willing to go? Let Addison know this week

Only day that can work is 10/28

BAR Review/ MPRE is done celebration 11/10- going out Saturday night- will post where we decide to go

Samantha Wright

Diversity and inclusion day 10/5- went well

Planning with future diversity chair to host a potluck

10/30- Central High event in 275

Deadline for donating clothes to What Were You Wearing is on 10/26

Critical Conversations- not great attendance. 1L attendance not high. Last one is on 11/19

Lindsay- can 1L reps reach out to classmates? Shourya- beginning of Spring seems better for 1L attendance Michael- mandatory meetings are really draining

Logan- 2L and 3L reps reach out to classmates

Samantha- thinking about planning family-friendly night at the law school.

Meryem Kahloon

Absent

Kathryn Waller

Which professors would you want to see in a clown costume as a result of pumpkin fundraiser? 1L reps- Milligan, Marcosson, Rothstein, Abrams

Talked to Dean DiSanza about doing a mean tweets version of teacher evaluations. Other law schools do it.

Wooly threads came in; they're wrong so we have to re-negotiate.

Polos- coming. Red was backordered. Black are coming

Mugs- ordering soon

Raffle Items for homecoming- still need

John Robinson

No report.

Donovan Gibbs

No report.

Matthew Bunnell

Speaking with 1L's this week on Thursday and Friday OPD events to advertise mock interviews and go over Symplicity.

Anything else about what 1L's should be made aware of? 1L reps will get back to him.

Logan- felt like only OCI's existed. They need realistic expectations of options.

Addison- need to discuss the Louisville law firm list

Matt- good suggestion. If you think of anything else, let me know.

Schedule

Wine 101 event on 11/11 at 2:00 on Vines
Dress Program is moved to week of 1/14
Mock Interviews on 1/26 at FBT 8-1pm
Etiquette program likely in February
How to Work a Room Event will be in March

Kathryn- if you need emails for local attorneys, we have that from the young alumni event

Matt- networking event will be the week that the 1L's will have their oral argument; week after Spring Break

Looking to use \$ to do a panel or public forum for 2L panels for 1L's for advice on classes.

Lindsay- would this be in Spring?
Matt- yes
Lindsay- go ahead and organize panel now

Connor- can the OPD get back to me about event? Matt- yes

Cash Collins

Senate passed resolution for funding for Climate Action Plan- will fund sustainability interns and research

Budget hearing on 10/21 in SAC.

There is a big difference between \$ requested and \$ available

Budget requests= \$1,235,403

Available Funds= \$1,165,020

Going to argue against cutting council budgets

Appropriations committee still accepting travel requests

SGA resources

Have reached out to coordinate between Meryem and SGA to get event attendance up.

First tuition and fees committee is tomorrow. Will update assembly on progress.

Connor Cafferty

KBA board of governors met today.

Saturday meeting in Lexington for quarterly meeting

Spring plans

Taking final steps in Road Less Travelled program. Will actually have KBA folks at school for panel.

BAR study scholarships through KBA- sponsor 2 Brandeis students each year.

Lawlapalooza this Friday.

Jackie Ha and Abby Tudor

No report.

Bobby Whitmer and Dru Childress

Waiting for estimates from Dean DiSanza

Michael Shunnarah & Shourya Vellanki

No report.

Old Business-

No additional budget discussion

New Business-

Paid Externship Resolution- proposed by Connor Cafferty

Connor- would be first SBA resolution in 2018.

Think it would be a good tool to get moving on program.

Cash- can exec speak to strategy we're taking?

Corey

Getting faculty to move is difficult.

Strategy is to take this on multiple fronts.

Logan- in August, the faculty had a proposal put forth. Discussion with exec stopped in hopes faculty would take it from there.

Resolution seems a little premature; don't yet know what our position is. Need to speak with faculty.

Not sure how we would utilize resolution. But I agree we all are wanting paid externships.

Corey

At public forum, we got feedback from student body. Hoping to continue lobbying efforts before November faculty meeting.

Need to make a united front, coordinate which professors each SBA member talks to.

2 and 3L reps- need them to push to get feedback from students.

If we want to pass a resolution, we have a time frame of 28 days before next faculty meeting.

Connor

My thoughts on timing- this is the second-to-last in person meeting before faculty meeting. Wanted to come to an agreement about what resolution should look like.

I disagree with the notion that a resolution is the forum to address faculty concerns.

I have looked at how resolutions have been used in the past; they have never been overly detailed. My proposal seems in line with previous resolutions.

Candise- have there been any resolutions that were sent out externally?

Connor- there are several on OrgSync from previous assemblies. I think the resolution is the best way to take a formal stand. Voting on something shows the student body we are taking steps. Resolutions have more historical recognition than just lobbying professors.

John- I think it would be smarter to first speak with key voting faculty members. It is better to show deference instead of bombard them with a resolution. We should try and use the honey instead of vinegar approach. Each SBA member can speak to a specific faculty member to find out where they're at.

Kathryn- smarter strategy seems to target individual professors who can flip opinions.

Matt- I don't understand how it works. How many sit on faculty committee? Where are we at on prospective votes now?

Logan- we need more info to answer that.

Candise- we have an excel sheet that we were looking to help lobby. We can include this issue, too. We should play up positive relationships with faculty.

Logan- Janet doesn't have a formal list about who votes. We have to compile that.

Cash- i agree with Matt. We need to know where we stand before we take any major steps BUT we need to get moving. Once you shift to adversarial position, you're stuck in it. I reached out to SGA president about passing resolution. If we pass it and it doesn't go anywhere, we can bring it in the SGA Senate. Burden will be placed on faculty. SGA Senate would first go to Dean Crawford and then to Provost.

John- I still stand by my statement; we need to be tactful with this. Getting U of L's leadership involved before speaking to professors seems like a bad idea.

Bobby-

Has anyone gotten a reason why they push back on this issue?

Logan- historical preferences has been cited. ALso issues with supervision and quality.

Connor-

I think that the historical approach, this has only been a requirement since 2016. I think what we see is a new policy that is affecting students in an inequitable way. Honey is molasses at Brandeis. I disagree that passing a resolution of this nature puts us in an adversarial situation. Once we get square one figured out, we can have a better plan. This issue has been going on for years. I think that they idea of, we'll do something later, is how stuff doesn't get done. The resolution is a tool to supplement lobbying of professors. But I am willing to table this issue until we can get more data.

John- I support the tabling till next meeting and in the meantime speak to faculty that we have good relationships with.

Corey- that is a good suggestion; break down who is talking to whom. No reason to not have this packaged and ready to go by next faculty meeting.

Logan- we can start there; only reach out if you're comfortable.

Connor- can we include a format of the breakdown of information?

Corey- we can. We already have presentation material to go over.

Addison- if we're going to do the resolution, it needs to be perfected so we can vote in the paper meeting on 10/30.

Logan- we need motion to table. Kathryn- motion

Corey- second

Aye- yes

Nay- none

Logan- we will table, amend and vote in a paper meeting.

Lindsay- if you have any suggestions to adjust and revise, send to Connor.

John- we should not officially lobby yet, just get feels of faculty; need to find out who is on this side of the issue.

Matt- I agree with john. We need to see where they're at before we can draft resolution to include their concerns.

Bobby- i think it would be good practice to tell them up front why you're speaking to professors. Don't try to hide the ball

Don- we do know that professors have concern for lack of supervision. FOr people who have actually done externships, we should get info about realistic supervision.

Corey- if you have a "job," there are only a few steps to move forward and seal academic credit. Only looking for the option of paid externships; not asking to make that the new norm.

Meeting Adjourned: 9:43