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**Senate Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, August 28, 2018

9:15 pm in LLC006

- I. Call to Order:** 9:15 pm
- II. Public & Old Business**
  - a. Community Comment – No comment.
  - b. Approval of the Minutes – Motion to approve minutes by unanimous consent, minutes are approved.
- III. Student Association Reports**
  - a. AJ Link & Anisha Hindocha – Not present; no report.
- IV. Executive Reports**
  - a. **President: Ali Kingston**
    - i. Quick overview of what the executive branch is working on. First year student branch oriented 600 1Ls. Forward people who want mentors, or whose mentor hasn't reached out to them to SBA leadership. Student Affairs Branch Locker and Used Book Sales going well and good job handling the locker sale website crashes. Instead of Wired Wednesday we will be having a Monthly Brunch with a Wellness topic and the first one will be on September 4. There will also be a dinner for evening students and once a month coffee for evening student. If people ask why we are no longer doing Wired Wednesday, you can say budget wise we decided to switch for something more substantial and that more students can benefit from. Programming branch welcome back bash Wednesday, tickets in hard lounge, four food trucks in quad, air advisory (only for people with asthma and they can eat inside if they choose to). Venue chosen for Lawloween, but we're not going to tell you where yet, we'll keep it a secret for now. Outreach branch had a meeting with the Alumni Office and you should've seen the email from Dean Morant that a new position was added for people right out of law school to connect with alumni and there will be a networking event on November 11 and a small-medium sized firm fair on October 4. The fall events are all about networking, and spring events will be hiring based. Attended the ABA conference where we won membership and activities awards as a law school and our inn of court program won the professionalism award. If people have questions, defer to Matt then ask Ali.
    - ii. Senator Iyer Question: Can you define brunch?
      - 1. President Kingston: We don't know the finalized menu because the budget

hasn't been approved, but it's going to be by Maria through Creative catering, so quality-wise it will be great, and will include food like quiches, scones, muffins, juice, and no alcohol. Once finalized menu is set, will send it out to answer any more specifics.

**b. Chief of Staff: Tazia Statucki**

- i. Just going to run through some things that have happened. We had SBA training day to go over policies and procedures. We are going to have a survey sent out this week or early next week to go over training day and the policies and procedures discussed to get a sense of how it went, so please fill it out. Gavel club meeting on Wednesday, August 29 at 9:15 in L201. There will also be an election meeting on Wednesday in LL102 and Abbey Taylor will be there with a powerpoint presentation so hopefully there are no violations. Student org fair from 3-6pm on Wednesday September 5. Please sign up for SBA table because we want people to get involved. September 10 applications close for the executive branch positions, so if you know a 1L who didn't make Senator and they're upset about it, tell them to apply for exec. board. If you want to be involved in weekly newsletter need to submit it by Friday at noon, it's the same procedure as last year, you need to send an update every week if you want it included.
- ii. Sneator Iyer: For gavel club, does the president or just any officer have to be there or for finance training do we have to just send the treasurer...?
  1. Chief of Staff Statucki: For the first gavel meeting, any officer can go as long as it's not a 1L because we will just be going over the rules and then for the finance meeting the treasurer can go and it was in the email, there are two dates: September 4 and..they know.
- iii. Chief of Staff Statucki: Student organization Handbook changes: Siri, Ali, John, and I spent a lot of time this summer to change the handbook and make edits. Space registration is different, so orgs can fill out forms online, and all the info is there and will be communicated at gavel club. Bylaw 603(a) to update the registration form when there is a change in leadership. Also a clarification about emails to be sent from org account with examples about what to use club email for. The rest of the changes were typos.

**c. Vice President of Finance: John Wood**

- i. Budget for upcoming year will be done in the 2 weeks after 1L senators are confirmed which will include C and R funds. Should know C funds should by end of week the week. Orientation was about \$3200. Used book and locker sales raised around \$19,000 so that's good.

**V. Committee Reports**

**a. Appointments: Patrick Hynds**

**i. S. Res. 01: Jihad Komis Confirmation Act**

1. To confirm Chief Justice Jihad Komis.
2. Senator Iyer: Motion to move to approve by acclamation. Motion approved by unanimous consent.
3. Kiara Lindsay an associate judge from the judicial branch administered oath to Jihad.

- b. **Rules & Constitution: Krista Johnson**
  - i. **S. Bill 02: Protecting Student Leaders' Personal Information Act**
    - 1. Background: Senate Bill passed last spring and the bill is publicly available online with people's phone numbers and emails included, so this is just to clarify that Matt has authority to redact personal info. and we can include later maybe a bylaw to write info more carefully.
    - 2. Senator Iyer: Motion to approve by unanimous consent. Motion approved by unanimous consent.
- c. **Student Organization: Andrew Trinker**
  - i. Nothing to report as of yet.
- d. **Finance: Surya Iyer**
  - i. VP Wood already discussed we are training people next week and the week after. Ad hoc and C fund with ad hoc opening next week for student orgs as long as we have c fund, haven't had access to ad hoc, so we will have ad hoc bills in front of senate next week after budget bill passes and will redact bill as presented in next two weeks.
- e. **Academic Policy: Emily Rabun**
  - i. Nothing to report.
  - ii. Sen. Johnson: I know it's your first week, but do we know what the status of the 1L curriculum is?
    - 1. President Kingston: I really should connect with you, Senator Rabun, but the 1L change of curriculum was passed and will not be enacted until next year. Need to look into changes like Civ Pro and Contracts being one semester and approve syllabi with the 1L curve and PRE curve changing to a B+. Also pushing for field placement and how externship credit changes so you can do externship for profit and still receive externship credit through the school which will allow more people to take this opportunity so we will keep you updated about that.
    - 2. Sen. Johnson: Second semester contracts and?
    - 3. Pres. Kingston: LRW is increasing from 2 to 3 credits.
    - 4. Sen. Johnson: Regarding the PRE, would that affect us now or next semester?
    - 5. Pres. Kingston: It was reviewed at faculty meeting Friday, and I only know it was passed.
  - iii. Sen. Iyer: What, if anything happened with exam policy and faculty?
    - 1. Pres. Kingston: Nothing, will bring up when meet with Dean Fairfax.
- f. **Audit: Billy Burchfield**
  - i. Strongly hope that no one has sent a lot of money so far because I don't have access to email yet.
- g. **Wellness and Programming: Lily Hsu**
  - i. Happy to report, nothing to report right now.
- h. **Facilities and Technology: Amanda Townsend**

- i. Just a couple things, if any of your constituents complain about water fountain lights not working, we are aware of the issue and working on it. Lerner 401, we are aware of the leak and something is going to be done.
- ii. Sen. Burchfield: Is something wrong with the AC?
- iii. Pres. Kingston: The last update I got, I exchanged about 40 emails: we have restarted compressor three times which tripped a line due to electrical failure we are hoping to fix this today or tomorrow and completely apologize, there is no excuse. Don't tell constituents that, but we are aware of the issue and hope it will be resolved soon.

**VI. Adjournment**

- a. Next meeting after 1L election September 18<sup>th</sup> (3 weeks from tonight)
- b. Motion to adjourn, seconded, ayes have it.
- c. Meeting end at 9:37pm.