

LSU Student Bar Association  
Meeting Agenda  
January 25, 2021 at 7:00 pm  
Via Zoom



1. Call to Order 7:00 pm
2. Roll Call
  - a. Patrick Riley - Executive President
  - b. Michael Dalman - Executive Vice President
  - c. Melanie Brown – Executive Secretary
  - d. Hannah Dardar – Executive Treasurer
  - e. Zachary Lester – Executive Director of Programming (Excused)
  - f. Keifer Ackley -3L Class President (Excused)
  - g. Bill Zloch – 3L Class Vice President
  - h. Adam Laliberte- 3L Class Secretary (Excused)
  - i. Carson Delarue – 3L Class Representative
  - j. Andrew Jarreau – 3L Class Representative
  - k. Austin Pottorff - 2L Class President
  - l. Alex Domingue - 2L Class Vice President (Excused)
  - m. Reagan Moody - 2L Class Secretary
  - n. Heidi Bieber - 2L Class Representative
  - o. Shawn Waldron - 2L Class Representative
  - p. Connor McCain - 1L Class President
  - q. Neyah Johnson - 1L Class Vice President
  - r. Chrissie Davidson - § 1-1L Class Representative
  - s. Damian Olvera - § 2-1L Class Representative
  - t. Autumn White - § 3-1L Class Representative
3. Public Input
4. Funding Requests
5. Reading, Correction, and Adoption of the **November 2, 2020 Minutes**
  - a. **Motion** to adopt the meeting minutes by Damian
  - b. **Second** by Chrissie
  - c. **Motion to adopt the minutes passes unanimously**
6. Committee Reports
  - a. ABA Student Representative – Chair: Christen Triche
  - b. Academics Committee – Co-Chairs: Braxton Duhon and Sydney St. Pierre
  - c. Athletics Committee – Chair: Jared Tregre
  - d. Community and Media Committee – Chair: Olivia Nuss
  - e. Diversity and Professionalism Committee – Chair: Kristyn Couvillion
  - f. Elections Committee – Commissioner: Robert Carter
  - g. Ethics Committee –Chair: Christian Redmon
  - h. Safety, Sensitivity & Sustainability Committee – Chair: Christian Redmon
7. Executive Officer Reports

- a. President
  - i. SBA Meetings
    1. Melanie and Adam joining from Zoom, otherwise in person in room 110. Have to be done by 8 because the building closes.
    2. Meetings Monday nights at 7PM, keeping them to an hour
  - ii. Goals for the Semester
    1. Committees
      - a. Would like to set goals for them this semester so they have something to do.
      - b. Brainstorm this! Diversity, Athletics, Academics, Media
    2. Clean up Finances, be transparent
      - a. COVID has made spending difficult.
      - b. Come to next week's meeting with ideas to spend money in a way that benefits students at the law center.
  - iii. Elections and Transition Planning
    1. Sometime at the end of March we will hold elections
    2. Transition packages
      - a. A big part of this "job" and the end of our term is preparing transition docs for the next officers who will take our positions.
      - b. People need to know what to do. Need to add documents to Google Drive
    3. Our term is through the end of April regardless of when elections are held, we could have the new officers sit in on a meeting or two at the end and shadow us.
  - iv. SBA Office
    1. Nearly done with merch. When that is totally completed we need to get rid of boxes and sort leftover merch. We could potentially upgrade the office with shelving.
    2. Chris in IT let Pat know that the computer in the back of the SBA office has been unplugged, but he said if we want to keep it, it needs to be plugged in. Don't unplug it.
    3. COVID rules are being followed! Great job. If someone isn't an officer they need to not be hanging around in the office.
- b. Vice President
  - i. Funding Requests
  - ii. Provisional status for new Energy law organization
    1. She filled out the forms and met the requirements, including list of names of interested persons.
    2. Advised her to get a faculty advisor, and Prof Hall is on board
      - a. **Motion** to grant provisional status to "Energy Law Club" by Bill
      - b. Second by Damian
      - c. Motion to grant provisional status passes unanimously
  - iii. Admin's PDF on how to obtain permission for in-person student meetings
    1. Will resend to student organizations

2. Spoke to Melinda Breaux re in-person meetings for orgs and working on this document to outline procedure for this, also Dean Lockridge will address this in the Feb Town Hall
    - a. No food or drink, 50-person cap
  - c. Secretary
    - i. I'm remote this semester so bear with me in meetings! I miss you all and hope to see you at an event or two!
      1. Maybe have everyone in Zoom anyone and unmute when they speak in the classroom for Melanie and Adam to hear
  - d. Treasurer
    - i. Has reached out to Myriam and the 4<sup>th</sup> Floor for an update on our account balances
      1. Hannah still hasn't been reimbursed for the tax filings or the pumpkin carving party. Around \$200, and inside account doesn't reimburse for tax.
        - a. Just a note anytime we want to use inside account now we have to get PRIOR approval with a list of benefit to students.
          - i. In light of this new information and in lieu of the previous motion to expend up to \$200 from the inside account, **Motion** to expend up to \$200 from the outside account to reimburse Hannah by Michael
          - ii. Second by Damian
          - iii. Motion passes unanimously, nullifies the previous Motion and allows Hannah to reimburse herself from the outside account.
      2. Inside Account
        - a. Balance as of 06/30/2020) \$25,127.07
        - b. Revenues: (07/01/2020 – 01/25/2021): \$23,560.00
        - c. Expenses: ((07/01/2020 – 01/25/2021): (\$ 0.00)
        - d. Balance: \$48,687.07
      3. Outside Account
  - e. Programming Director
8. Class Officer Reports
  - a. 3L Class
    - i. Class Gift
      1. Spoke with 4<sup>th</sup> Floor about Class Gift. They proposed scholarship but we want to make an impact in another way, so maybe a seal on a podium or some sort of décor in the courtroom.
      2. The 3Ls will discuss and promote to fundraise for it.
        - a. Fundraiser is things like purchasing a sketch of law center, whisky glasses, etc.
      3. Hannah: doing something for the new courtroom or old one?
        - a. New courtrooms like our class seal.
    - ii. Details of GradFest - when it will be and what will take place

1. Due to COVID, contingent on Dean Lockridge's meeting with LSU Provost. Traditionally Grad Fest is composite photos, caps and gowns ordering, etc.
  - a. Picking up v. mailing caps & gowns
  - b. Composite by sending in professional photos
- iii. Graduation date and details
  1. Dean has to meet with main campus, Keifer proposed Alex Box
- iv. SBA funding to send flowers to Prof. Crawford's family
  1. Inside account?
  2. Patrick: Get a particular item or order you want to send, present to us and have the amount so you can make a motion to purchase it. So basically, get a quote for us
- v. Attendance Policy
  1. Some classmates have issues remembering to mark themselves present while on Zoom
  2. If "Late" option counts as an absence or not
  3. Hoping to get some clarity from Dean Lockridge at the Town Hall
- vi. Assault & Flattery
  1. Going to appoint Zach Lester as the AssFlat committee chairman
  2. Patrick: does SBA approve committee members?
    - a. 3L board in charge of voting in the people.
- b. 2L Class
  - i. Refunds
    1. Geneologie isn't sending us missing items, just refund check, but we haven't gotten our profit check either.
      - a. 5 people we owe refunds to, adds up to \$249.
      - b. **Motion** to expend up to \$249 to reimburse from the Outside account, then we will retain the refund check from Geneologie by Austin
      - c. Second by Damian
      - d. Motion passes unanimously
    2. The last time they spoke to us was the 13<sup>th</sup> (a few weeks ago) and she said she was sending it but the "postal system is backlogged"
      - a. Patrick: we should send them demand letter because it's a lot of money they owe us from sales
      - b. Michael: we need to set a date, maybe 2 weeks out and send demand letter at that point (politely.)
  - ii. Wooly Threads
    1. They are in! The ones not already shipped will be gone thru by the 2Ls, send out broadcast to schedule pickup for people.
  - iii. Remaining Merch
    1. About 18 bags left, Austin going to reach out via email and also add to broadcast the names
- c. 1L Class
  - i. Were told family day isn't going to happen but they are still brainstorming
  - ii. Damian: who to reach out to for various things, like a list of who to email for issues such as the A/C system
    1. Patrick: we don't have one but we should make one!

- d. LLM
- 9. Old Business
- 10. New Business
  - i. Reimbursement of Barristers Bowl 2020 dues
    - 1. We talked about this last semester, talked to Jared and we have a plan
    - 2. Michael: Jared and I plan to meet Thursday w/ Prof Goring since there is no bowl this year...
      - a. Actually, we might be able to do the event through the UREC instead of LSU Law. So... it is still possible to have this tournament as well as the others we wanted like Powderpuff and Basketball. We just have to follow IM Sports and UREC policy so they will prob look a little different.
      - b. Carson: doesn't think UREC will let us do a public fundraiser or cheerleading but we should still try to have it to continue the tradition... once we graduate nobody at the law center will have done it before.
      - c. Hannah: maybe we could possibly have the auction in tents outside, also food as long as it is individually packaged and not communal food.
  - ii. COVID Testing on campus
    - 1. Is it voluntary? Our understanding it that you don't have to participate if you get an email from main campus if you opt out of the testing, but then you have to leave school and be online if you don't get tested... But maybe we should clarify.
      - a. We don't know the enforcement mechanism, if it is home for the duration of the semester or for just a quarantine period
  - iii. February Town Hall with Dean Lockridge
  - iv. First in person meeting next week!!!!
- 11. Adjournment
  - a. **Motion** to adjourn by Connor
  - b. Second by Damian
  - c. Motion passes BYE!!