LSU Student Bar Association

Meeting Agenda

September 27, 2021 at 7:00 pm

Room 303



1. Call to Order 6:55 pm
2. Roll Call
   1. Alex Domingue - Executive President
   2. Dylan Scully - Executive Vice President
   3. Katie Gonsoulin - Executive Secretary
   4. Andrew Hughes - Executive Treasurer
   5. Shawn Waldron - Executive Director of Programming – Excused.
   6. Austin Pottorff - 3L Class President
   7. Meghan Falcon - 3L Class Vice President
   8. Heidi Bieber - 3L Class Secretary
   9. Madeleine Murphy - 3L Class Representative
   10. Sarah Tadros - 3L Class Representative
   11. Neyah Johnson - 2L Class President
   12. Damian Olvera - 2L Class Vice President
   13. Chrissie Davidson - 2L Class Secretary – Excused.
   14. Autumn White - 2L Class Representative – Excused.
   15. Ryan York - 2L Class Representative
   16. Alaysia Johnson - 1L Class President
   17. Mekkah Husmadeen - 1L Class Vice President
   18. Rayni Amato - § 1-1L Class Representative
   19. Ansley Sumner - § 2-1L Class Representative
   20. Diamond McCray- § 3-1L Class Representative
   21. Kelly Garet – LLM Representative
3. Public Input
4. Funding Requests
5. Reading, Correction, and Adoption of the September 20, 2021 Minutes
   1. **Motion** to adopt the minutes by Damian.
   2. Second by Neyah.
   3. Motion passes unanimously, minutes are adopted.
6. Committee Reports
   1. ABA Student Representative – Chair: Hunter Devillier
      1. October 15th for the 2Ls
   2. Academics Committee – Chair: Amberlee Nix
      1. Kean Miller and Taylor Porter are giving us Civil Codes - currently deciding the fairest way to hand these out.
      2. Amberlee and Akuda are getting a group of students together for faculty interviews.
   3. Athletics Committee – Chair: Connor O’Brien
      1. Powderpuff game between the 2Ls and 3Ls
         * 2L coach – Nate
         * 3L coach – Rory
   4. Community and Media Committee – Chair: Olivia Nuss
      1. Olivia said if anyone wants help with t-shirts to let her know.
   5. Diversity and Professionalism Committee – Chair: Akuda Esin
      1. Akuda has the survey answers and he is working with those now.
      2. Akuda is working with the faculty diversity committee.
   6. Elections Committee – Commissioner: Andre Bellefontaine
   7. Ethics Committee – Chair: Chloe Keller
   8. Safety, Sensitivity & Sustainability Committee – Chair: Meredith Smith
      1. October 5th at the UREC is the first self-defense class with LSUPD
         * The second class is in November
      2. The clothing racks are in the SBA office and that will be open soon.
7. Executive Officer Reports
   1. President
      1. Student Bar Association’s Autonomy Update
         * We have presented the resolution and have a meeting tomorrow with Dean Lockridge, Dean Carroll, and Dean Henry
   2. Vice President
      1. Funding Request:
         * Safety and Sustainability Committee wants $60 for more clothing and tie racks
         * Motion to expend up to $60 from the inside account for the clothing racks by Neyah.
         * Heidi seconds.
         * Motion passes unanimously.
   3. Secretary
   4. Treasurer
      1. Inside Account: $33,434.34
      2. Outside Account: $38,301.89
      3. Statement regarding the outside account.
         * The outside account is a little lower than we traditionally have been in the past – because of missing two Barrister’s Ball. Please keep this in mind when asking for money.
      4. Comment regarding PayPal transactions.
         * Over the summer we talked about transitioning to Venmo – didn’t work out.
         * With PayPal they take out 3.03% for every purchase – keep this in mind when selling merch – maybe upcharge.
   5. Programming Director
      1. This week there is an unofficial GIF at Uncle Earl’s on Friday.
8. Class Officer Reports
   1. 3L Class
      1. Hats and Canes
         * We sold a lot of shirts.
         * Waiting on wristbands.
         * We’ll know more after the meeting tomorrow with Dean Lockridge, Dean Carroll, and Dean Henry.
      2. Assault and Flattery
         * Will have the first committee meeting this week.
         * We will likely set up either a Dropbox or google drive for people to submit things.
      3. Yearbook
         * Probably won’t happen if people don’t join the yearbook committee.
         * 1Ls want to be involved – just need to get the information out to them.
         * Heidi will have a meeting this week to try and get more interest.
   2. 2L Class
      1. Merchandise
         * Issues with merchandise have mostly been resolved.
         * Currently have a profit of over $7,000.
         * There are talks of extending the sale to next Wednesday but we aren’t sure yet.
           1. People get paid on the 30th and the 1st so may want to extend it.
      2. Barrister’s Ball Venue
         * Looking at Oak Lodge - $4,000 for an all-encompassing venue (food, drink, etc.) However, the covid policies in place at Oak Lodge may not accommodate us. So still looking at other places.
      3. Some students have been complaining about the AC in the building.
         * Thermostats are controlled by main campus – out of our hands.
   3. 1L Class
      1. Halloween Party
         * At the Rev for free 7-10 with DJ and drink specials.
         * We were going to use the cover for drink specials but weren’t aware that we couldn’t do that – so we’ll use the money for something else.
         * Ticket sales can be changed – we’ll address it after the meeting tomorrow with admin.
         * Working on how to do the ticket sales – Venmo, PayPal, Eventbrite, etc.
         * Also working on the costume contest and prizes.
   4. LLM
      1. Would like to have integration events at the beginning of the year for 1Ls and LLMs.
         * This will be brought up to Dean Carroll.
      2. Description of SBA should be changed on the website if we are fighting not to be considered a student organization.
         * This will take an amendment to be voted on by everyone.
      3. We would like for the LLMs to come to Powderpuff and the Cornerstones meditation events on the parade grounds.
         * Sign up through the google form link on the email blasts.
      4. LLMs would like to throw parties representing their countries.
9. Old Business
   1. E-vote on motion to expend $90 for five parking spaces for Hats & Canes catering, IT, and alumni from the inside account.
   2. Oasis Family Day Event/ Volleyball Tournament
      1. We are not requesting referees for this.
      2. We really want SBA officers to be there and encourage people to go – also, bring your families and form teams.
10. New Business
11. Adjournment
    1. Motion to adjourn by Katie.
    2. Second by Neyah.
    3. Adjourned at 7:27pm!