

**Student Bar Association
Full Body Meeting
November 20, 2011
Minutes**

1. Call to Order

- a. Meeting called to order at 6:03pm

2. Guest Speakers

- a. Dean Cobb

- i. 5 Things

- 1. Temperature in the building - raised the temp a degree or two. If you are still getting complaints, then let Dean Cobb know.
 - 2. Controversy between the governor and the law school.
 - a. Environmental law clinic is suing a farm over chicken manure pollution.
 - b. "What is state law school doing attacking local businesses?"
 - 3. Professors have resolved to reduce their required teaching load.
 - 4. Met with Carey School of Business across town to discuss collaboration.
 - 5. Update on shooting - Police Chief decided to attend the SBA meeting and then he decided not to.
 - a. Dean Haddon fought for him to come, and he will be coming to talk from **1-2pm on December 1st in Room 108.**
 - b. Dean Cobb would like as many students as possible to attend.
 - c. Also attending may be two or three special assistants to the President of the University.
 - d. Dean Cobb will set up a conference call for those who would like to attend but can't.
 - 6. 24-Hour Study Area Locations
 - a. Dean Cobb will be sending out a list of places where you can study 24/7.

- ii. Questions

- 1. Dean Haddon's Office Hours - later in the day?
 - a. She had a few that were later in the day, but they will make sure that there are more later in the day.
 - 2. Shootings near Fayette in broad daylight are a concern, are they doing more to deal with this?

- b. Coalition on Military Awareness

- i. School of Social Work
 - 1. Deployment Training - March 2nd (Core Competency Program)
 - a. All day Friday

3. Roll Call

4. Old Business

- a. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Motion to approve and seconded → Approved
- b. Dean Haddon Office Hours
- c. Suggestion Box

5. New Business

- a. New Student Group: Leadership and the Law Society
 - i. Guest Speakers - Greg Sunshine & another
 - 1. Push to get a leadership program in the law school. The law school partnered with the College Park school of Public Policy
 - 2. Three Parts
 - a. Course instruction
 - b. New course work
 - i. Law and Morality seminar/course that is under development.
 - c. Leadership retreats
 - i. Participation has been lackluster, and this could be due to lack of coverage and visibility.
 - 3. First Goal
 - a. One of the ways they want to change this is by creating a student group - a program possibly in collaboration with other area schools.
 - 4. Second Goal
 - a. Have people in charge of different programs and get out into the community to develop different schools and become a leader and represent the profession well.
 - 5. Questions
 - a. What about existing opportunities in the existing clubs?
 - i. This group would give the opportunity to people to obtain leadership positions if they can't in other groups.
 - ii. Discussion
 - 1. Motion to discuss
 - a. seconded

2. Skeptical of the idea to provide people with the opportunity to give people leadership roles. However, fine with the idea of people getting events on leadership.
- iii. Vote
 1. Motion to vote, seconded
 - a. 24 for
 - b. 7 against
 2. Group Approved
- b. Residency Credit
 - i. David Nohe
 1. Issue - Whether or not we should change the residency requirement of 6 credits to graduate. David and Sheena met with the committee. There was a resolution to recommend the abolition of the credit requirement.
 2. Will enable students to graduate early.
 3. Pushing to get rid of it.
- c. Vice President and Chief Academic and Research Officer Interviews: Update
 - i. Michael Reed
 - ii. Dr. Boffman
 - iii. Michael Conn
- d. Amendment to Paper Plate Policy \$25 Automatic Withdrawal
 - i. Sheena Tomar
 1. No automatic \$25 deduction from every student group.
 2. Motion to vote → 2nd
 3. Unanimous vote
- e. LGBT Law Student Alliance: Non-Discrimination Policy
 - i. Chairs of the LGBT Alliance
 1. Met with President Perman to Discuss Two Issues
 - a. Anti-Discrimination Policy
 - i. Does cover sexual orientation, but not gender identity or expression.
 - b. Campus Insurance Policy
 - i. Allows coverage for spouses, but defines that narrowly → spouses are only defined as people of opposite sex.
 - ii. Denies coverage to changes in appearance due to gender identity.
 2. Have Letters of Support From:
 - a. LLSA
 - b. BLSA
 - c. Faculty Committees
 3. Looking for:
 - a. SBA Support
 - ii. Motion to vote → Second

1. Unanimous
- f. Constitutional Amendments
 - i. First → Update the Constitution to include the new name of the law school.
 1. Motion to vote → 2nd
 - a. Unanimous
 - ii. Non-Discrimination Policy
 1. Motion to discuss → 2nd
 - a. Amendment to add "and all SBA student organizations"
 2. Motion to vote → 2nd
 - a. Unanimous
 3. We will send out the new language.

6. Committee Reports

- a. USGA
 - i. Formal went well.
 - ii. Nothing else to report.
 - b. Academic Concerns
 - i. Two of them met
 1. Three Things
 - a. Residency credit issue
 - b. Idea of how many students would be interested in the idea of a Fall break
 - i. Exams would have to start 2 days later
 - ii. Going to try to get a poll going
 - iii. If we do a poll, make sure that we give students a notification of what the ramifications are of the break.
- c. Career Development Office
 - i. Have not met yet.
 1. Email Mario Medina about meetings.
- d. Community Service
 - i. Weren't able to plan anything this Fall.
- e. Constitution & Rules
 - i. Two new proposals
 1. Anti-Discrimination Policy
 2. Updating the name in the Constitution
- f. NYLF
 - i. Planning the event in Feb.
- g. Thurgood Marshall Lecture Series

7. Executive Board Reports

- a. President
 - i. Nothing to report
- b. Vice President
 - i. Sheena and Liz meet with OSA every Tuesday about some contentious issue
 - ii. Thurgood Marshall
 - 1. Will have three speakers, anyone who wants to help, is more than welcome
- c. Treasurer
 - i. GSG's will be due towards the end of the semester
 - ii. Treasury will close on the 29th of November
- d. Secretary
 - i. Student supply chart is good to go
- e. Comptroller
 - i. Nothing to report
- f. Parliamentarian
 - i. Nothing to report

8. Class Reports

- a. 4E
 - i. Nothing to report
- b. 3D
 - i. Barrister's is great
 - ii. Good luck with exams
- c. 3E
 - i. Warm harms are \$10 and stickers are \$5
- d. 2D
 - i. Had successful trivia night, were planning one but OSA did not catch that it was the same night as the Legally Sound concert. There will be trivia next semester.
 - ii. Will discuss Dodgeball.
- e. 2E
 - i. Nothing to report.
- f. 1D
 - i. Done selling apparel - went well. Will think about bringing it back next semester.
- g. 1E
 - i. Done selling apparel - went ok.
 - ii. Will kick off finals with a dinner.

9. Adjournment

- a. Meeting adjourned at 7:25pm.