

**I. Call to Order**

a. Members Absent: Mykell and Sandra

II. Approval of minutes from previous meeting- Treasurer as acting Secretary

a. Motion to approve amendment. Ayes have it.

III. Executive Update by President

a. Bylaws amendments

i. Composite: Bylaws now say who has to be listed as officers. Currently, there is a line for 3L's graduating and academic chairs. Last year there was an amendment passed to include honor council and trial ad. But it appears that amendment may not be valid because not incorporated into the Bylaws. The only problem currently is that we need to add Trial Advocacy Board, Journal of Law and Public Policy, and Honor Council. Motion to amend as follows:

- The top line will contain current 3L's SBA officers, the bottom line (under Regent Class of '09) contains academic chairs; all other titles including ABA Rep and past SBA officers would appear in regular order with rest of class but in Alphabetical order.

b. 100 Days Parties—A party for each graduating class when there are only 100 days left for them until graduation.

i. Proposal to make that the new 3L class tradition.

ii. SBA would only be in charge of advertising, not sponsoring.

c. Honor Council

i. Need to approve Jess Monnette to come in to our meeting b/c technically closed session. He could explain what Honor Council is and SBA involvement.

ii. Motion to allow Jess Monnette at next. Ayes have it.

d. Monetary donations to SBA

i. BarBri had not made an offer for Barrister's Ball at the time of the meeting last week. Their current offer is \$250, but their name would be required to be on all publications.

ii. Donations such as that with terms—requiring advertising and publication are voted on with Senate because it is up to Senate if we would like our name associated in advertising with the sponsor.

iii. COGS money was previously voted on as we voted to ask for their money on our own terms.

iv. When we vote to ask for money, we do not need to vote to accept it.

IV. Executive Update by Vice President

a. COGS appointment of a new representative—A law COGS senator has appointed a new representative, and it appears that very few knew that there was a vacancy to be filled on COGS.

- i. Leandra – asks SBA if anyone knew that there was a new senator; only one senator responds yes (which makes 3 including the VP and Pres).
- ii. Ryan – Concern is that this position is one that should be open to all students, and students should first know that there is a vacancy and second how it is filled.
- iii. Leandra – Considering bringing this to the attention of someone as students should know what’s going on with representatives. [Please note that the following is a summation of people’s opinions and questions...]
 - A. – The two are roommates and no one knew that it happened. Both are friends of SBA members, but the lack of an apparent process or procedure does not look good.
 - B. – Not appropriate to bring to dean because of previous bad blood between the groups.
 - C. – Not going in there with the intention of getting people removed from the position or because I want the person appointed removed, but because students should know what is going on with their reps.
 - D. – We’re in a good place with COGS because just got money for Barrister’s Ball and Grad Banquet on our own terms.
 - E. – Whether or not we talk to them should not be based on money because the decision affects all the students.
 - F. – Perhaps wait until after Barrister’s Ball then to confront them so it doesn’t seem like it’s about the money at all.
 - G. – We need to hold each other accountable and not have back-room dealing.
 - H. – The proper way could be a Biblical response of talking to them or the head of COGS and not just going to a superior.
 - I. – What is our desired outcome? Is it to get the person removed? Is it to say from this point going forward?
 - J. – Not to get people removed from their positions, but to make sure that someone is aware that this happened and that it does not happen again.
[omitted continued discussion]
- iv. Ryan – We need to look out for the interests of the students, and that’s the bottom line and why I brought it up. Maybe go to Lee, the president of COGS and talk to him leader to leader and just say, ‘this is what we did when we had to replace a person and lay out a suggestion.’
- v. Leandra – Based on what everyone said, will go to rep of COGS, and get information. Will update everyone.

IV. Executive Update by Treasurer – None.

V. Class Updates

- a. 3L Class President
 - i. Delivery Faculty appreciation gift (tomorrow).
- b. 2L Class President
 - i. Bible Study had a good meeting with COGS to support Bible Study
- would like to use to foster unity b/w the two classes

- ii. Getting an acting Senator
 - A. Will send an email out to the students.
 - B. Take applications for a week.
- c. 1L Class President
 - i. Nothing new

VI. Committee Updates

- a. Academic Affairs :
 - i. Had meeting with Dean Cook regarding letter to professors getting their grades in late. Dean Cook recommends a letter be written to **Dean Brauch**, who could then address the faculty.
 - ii. The BTLS letter is on hold until BTLS does their own letter.
- b. Student Affairs – nothing new
- c. Student Events – nothing new
- d. Community Services
 - i. Thank you for help with making Valentine’s Day Cards—a success.
 - ii. Cards to be delivered to **(NAME OF)** nursing home in Portsmouth and Samaritan House residents in Norfolk.
 - iii. Going to send thank you note to construction paper donor, Ruth Rayford.
- e. Media Services - Nothing new
- f. Barristers Ball
 - i. Ticket prices
 - A. Student tickets \$25
 - B. Alumni tickets are \$30- Alumni email ready to go out, just waiting on pay site link
 - How long will site be active? Next week until March 20th
 - iii. Barristers is for Law Students, Law Professors, Law Alumni, and their guests ONLY
- g. Graduation Banquet
 - i. Waiting **on hearing back from potential** speakers.
 - Ryan-- Recommendation to consult Mary Bunch and get list of Board of Visitors for more possible names.