

# FIU | Law

## Student Bar Association

### MEETING MINUTES September 11, 2016

Call to Order – 5:00pm

#### Quorum

*Reginald Guillaume - President*  
*Courtney Bouillion - Vice President*  
*Andrew Figueroa - Vice President*  
*Mariah Manley - Vice President*  
*Brandon Smith -Treasurer*  
*Justin Duran -ABA Representative*  
*Andrew Sagona -3L Representative*  
*Gabriel Miranda -2L Representative (Day)*  
*Tucker Pryor -2L Representative (Day)*  
*Roger Pou -2L Representative (Night)*

- I. Swearing in new officers** *Reginald Guillaume*  
a. 1L Reps- Kathryn Wood, Daniel Walker, Alina Fernandez, Amanda Myers

- II. Minutes**  
a. Reggie  
b. Justin Duran 2<sup>nd</sup>  
c. Unanimous

- III. Student Org Approval**  
a. ILSA  
i. Not compliant with Paper Work, therefore the SBA Board did not approve the creation of the new organization

- IV. SBA Nomination and Appointments**  
a. FIU Law Supreme Court  
i. Sam Basch  
1. Associate Justice  
a. Move Reggie  
b. Justin Duran 2<sup>nd</sup>  
c. Unanimous

- V. Swearing in new officers** *Reginald Guillaume*  
a. FIU Law Supreme Court Justices-  
i. Justin McNealy (Chief Justice)  
ii. Sam Basch (Associate Justice)

- VI. Student Org Approval**
  - a. Explained that ILSA did not hold elections as required
  - b. ILSA – Ghita Sebti
    - i. Did not have faculty advisor signature – no vote
- VII. SGA Representative**
  - a. John Hinz
  - b. Mary Corbin
    - i. Handout on Student Govt. Experience
  - c. Votes
    - i. Mary Corbin Appointed as SGA Representative
- VIII. 1L Section C Representative**
  - a. Eve Preez
  - b. Ana Portal
  - c. Zackery Good
    - i. Withdrew Application and could not make the meeting because of an emergency
  - d. No one in attendance
    - i. On hold until next meeting
    - ii. Email Eve & Ana to attend next meeting Sept 25 for vote
- IX. Placement Committee**
  - a. Chanelle Artiles
    - i. Votes were Unanimous in appointing her in the position
- X. Budget Proposals**
  - a. WLS bringing in SEC (Farosha Andasheva)
    - i. Presenting Federal Internships
    - ii. Partnering w Lexis covering ½
    - iii. Meeting is Sept 21 (Wednesday) @ 12
    - iv. Requesting \$140
    - v. Vote
      - 1. Unanimous Approval
  - b. Federal Bar Association (Dane Stuhlsatz)
    - i. Meeting is Sept 21 (Wednesday) @12:30
      - 1. Conflicts w WLS
      - 2. Consider moving to Sept 19
        - a. Conflicts w 1L schedule
      - 3. Considering moving to Sept 28
    - ii. Requesting \$120
    - iii. Estimating 75 students / may be a bit optimistic
    - iv. Possibly, give Dane option of calling in?
- XI. Budget Committee Proposal**
  - a. Would like to add to by-laws that we look @ expected attendees in meetings for Funding
- XII. LLM and Juris Master Representation**
  - a. LLM Representative Committee

- i. Will not be voting member
- b. Juris Masters Representation Committee
  - i. Would not be voting member
- c. Vote
- d. Yays - 11
- e. Nay - 2
- f. We will reach out to the LLM and Juris Masters to seek out a representative for the position

**XIII. ABA Representative Report**

- a. Tabling next week for membership
- b. Voting for automatic enrollment
  - i. Through ABA
    - 1. Need Name and Email only
    - 2. They send opt-out email
    - 3. Suggestion that we warn incoming 1Ls @ Orientation
  - ii. May be privacy issue
  - iii. Or manually
  - iv. Proposal
    - 1. ABA automatic
      - a. We send opt out
      - b. ABA sends opt out
      - c. We warn @ orientation
      - d. Vote
        - i. Unanimous Vote to Approve the ABA Auto-Enrollment with the two tier opt out

**XIV. Budget Update**

- a. \$44,000
- b. Student orgs \$11,800
  - i. Used \$4,000
- c. Multiple Orgs have sent in Annual budgets
  - i. We need to respond back to these student organizations ASAP
- d. Tasks
  - i. Number for annual budgets for each student org DUE SEPT 12<sup>TH</sup>
    - 1. Deadline was "2 weeks" on Aug 27
    - 2. All received after Sept 5 late

**XV. BLSA Annual Budget Proposal**

- a. SBA is not ready to hear annual
- b. BLSA is preparing an individual proposal

**XVI. President's Report**

- a. Faculty Meeting Update
  - i. By-Law Discussion
    - 1. Recording Policy
      - a. Handout Out of Policy was handed out to the board for their review
    - 2. Tasks

- a. Send any concerns about policy Friday Sept 16<sup>th</sup> to SBA Pres
    - ii. ABA 310 Standard Memo
      - 1. Student Workload Expectations
    - iii. Next Faculty meeting in September
  - b. Those of you on committees please represent the SBA accordingly
- XVII. Vice-President's Report**
  - a. Andrew F
    - i. Order of the Coif
      - 1. Because we are up for accreditation this year this is the best time to try to establish the organization
      - 2. Information needed coincides with that accreditation so 2 birds w one stone
    - ii. SBA Committee Updates
      - 1. Dean's Cup has a date
  - b. Courtney Bouillon
    - i. Faculty Committee Updates
      - 1. No meetings have been scheduled at this time
  - c. Mariah
    - i. Representative Team Leader
      - 1. No Report
- XVIII. Representative Reports**
  - a. 3L Representative Report
    - i. Andrew Sagona
      - 1. Emails for Board Positions are distributed
        - a. 1Ls will receive their's from Andrew S.
      - 2. Dean Fridman
        - a. Fix Clock Time
        - b. Other suggestions
  - b. 2L Representative Report
    - i. Tucker
      - 1. Introduced selves & SBA to 1Ls
    - ii. Gabriel
      - 1. Introduced selves & SBA to 1Ls
      - 2. Dean's Cup
        - a. Nov 6 is date
        - b. Tasks:
          - i. Face to Face with MedSchool
            - 1. Needs to be ASAP
          - ii. Involve 1L Reps in Dean's Cup
          - iii. Determine games
          - iv. Find Captains for each team
      - c. Budget - \$2,591.75
    - iii. Roger
      - 1. Introduced selves & SBA to 1Ls

**XIX. BLSA Funding Request**

- a. National BLSA conference
  - i. Discussing career fair to be held here @ FIU that would benefit our students
    - 1. 30 attys already confirmed
    - 2. Public, private, state, federal
  - ii. Requesting \$892.70
    - 1. Yay
    - 2. Nay – nays have it
  - iii. Reggie proposed funding only \$591.00
    - 1. Yay - 7/13 yays have it
    - 2. Nay
  - iv. Tucker proposed funding ½ of airfare only
- b. \$591.00 and approx. \$180 have come out of BLSA annual budget

**XX. Employment and labor Law Funding Request**

- a. Did not comply
- b. Vote to No vote
  - i. Unanimous

**XXI. Criminal law society Funding Request**

- a. Exceeded \$200 maximum
  - i. Did not comply w/ rules
- b. Vote to No vote
  - i. Unanimous

**XXII. Disability Rights Law Association**

- a. Did not comply with itemization
- b. Vote to No vote
  - i. Andrew recused
  - ii. Unanimous

**XXIII. Mindfulness Committee**

- a. For next meeting

**XXIV. By-Law Committee Update**

- a. Doing preliminary study of other school's Constitutions and looking at different approaches
  - i. Suggestion from Reggie: UM approach too burdensome – through amendments
    - 1. Better to keep Constitution and develop By-laws
- b. Poll
  - i. Restructure - 1
  - ii. Work off our Constitution & develop bylaws – 12

**XXV. Miscellaneous Items**

- a. Paper Notice to SBA
  - i. Post more through paper rather than electronic media only
- b. Professional Headshots

- i. Will be talked about in next meeting
- c. Coffee for Students
  - i. Will be talked about in next meeting

**XXVI. Open the Floor**

- a. Take the job seriously take responsibility seriously
  - i. There are repercussions in the event that you do not
  - ii. Read Constution
  - iii. Read By-laws

**XXVII. Close Meeting**

- a. Unanimous