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Student Bar Association

MEETING MINUTES

April 23, 2017

Quorum Met

Floor open at 6:07 p.m.

Attendance

Present

Andrea Piloto
David Miller
Sandra Ramirez
Mariah Manley
Tucker Pryor
Priscilla Suarez
Roger Pou
Daniel Walker
Thomas Campbell
Alina Fernandez
Madeline Joubert
Marcus Nielson
Arturo Hernandez
William Diab
Alexis Marrero
Andres Persaud

Absent

Mary Corbin

I. Open Meeting and Quorum

Marcus Nielsen

a. Opening Remarks

I. Oath of Office for Tucker Pryor

II. Budget Update

David Miller

Total: ~\$5,244.72

Barrister's Ball Summary

Total: \$22,746.77

III. Funding Requests

- a.** Graduating LLM Class 2017- \$200
 - i.** LLM Graduation Brunch - May 13th and Berry's in the Grove.
 - ii.** Miscellaneous
 - iii.** Open to vote.
 - iv.** Unanimous vote in favor.
- b.** Funding for new fridge- \$3,000
 - i.** Open to vote.
 - ii.** Unanimous vote in favor.

IV. President's Report

Marcus Nielsen

- a.** Next Years Goals
 - i.** see Appendix 1
- b.** Food For Finals
 - i.** Sign up
- c.** SBA Dinner - May 12th 2017 at Marcus's house

V. Vice-Presidents' Reports

- a.** Alina Fernandez
- b.** Sandra Ramirez
 - i.** Library update
 - all library tables being cleaned in the morning
 - be courteous with alarm door on second floor
 - shelves bought for supplements from students
 - printing services complaints
 - Tuesday, the 24th 3rd floor closed off for law students
 - ii.** Transfer student committee
 - set up; waiting on them to accept admission
- c.** Mariah Manley
 - 2L night student representative appointed: Catarina Dosinska

VI. SGA Representative Report

- a.** SGA News
 - SGA is holding recharge for finals this week! I have attached the even flyer. All students are welcome. I will post in the SBA Facebook page.

VII. Representative Reports

All Representatives

- a. 4L Representative Report**
 - i.** Alexis Marrero
 - International Journal
 - Childcare survey: 20% of respondents want it
 - Want to collaborate with medical school
- b. 3L Representative Report**
 - i.** William Diab
 - ii.** Roger Pou
 - 2L night student rep: Catarina Dosinska
 - Water fountain has not been fixed
 - iii.** Arturo Hernandez
 - spoke to club leaders, like Jeremy and Andrea
 - asking what leaders want to do for next year
 - going to restart Immigration Law Society
- c. 2L Representative Report**
 - i.** Thomas Campbell
 - got wifi in the courtyard idea moving
 - ii.** Daniel Walker
 - Deans Cub is in the works.
- d. ABA Representative Report**
 - i.** Tucker Pryor
 - 1Ls are automatically registered for ABA
 - No negatives to this
 - Wondering whether 1Ls have any issue
 - National conference in August 10-15 (NY)

IX. Networking Committee Report

- a.** First event of the year at FIU Art Museum
 - first networking events to be on campus
 - tentative date August 24 (entire 1st floor of art museum and having art gallery open for two hours)
 - 7-11 p.m. (hour before and after for prepping)
 - local HNBA is helping sponsor.
 - whether MIA Brewery will help with drinks since we cannot
 - \$200 for finger food

X. Open the Floor

- Tucker Pryor will be or look for Barrister's Ball Chair
- Tucker wants to see if someone else can help organize the Golf Tournament organized by FIU Law
- Note by Andrea: Sahara Fonseca needs to resend attachments for new club, ACLU-FIU, so Andrea can open them.
- Encourage student groups to work together.
- Marcus wants a have a Veterans Speech from someone who was injured in Afghanistan. Now, that veteran is in law school. Wants it to be an event for incoming students.

XI. Close Meeting

- i.** Move to close meeting at 7:15 p.m.
- ii.** Unanimous vote in favor.

Appendix 1

Goals

1. International Journal
2. Have eight bar networking events
3. Professional development seminar
4. Increase library hours
 - overnight security guard
5. DC study abroad
 - seminar just for this
 - 15 student minimum
7. Famous alumni
8. Send students to one bar event per month
9. Alumni fundraising phonathon
10. MPRE practice exam hosted at FIU
11. Student book award volunteers
12. FIU Citation website
13. SBA bylaws completed before August
14. Alumni softball game
15. Transfer student/LLM committee
16. Changed Dean's cup
17. Alumni mentor program/event
18. Get SBA representatives more involved in their class
19. Weekly SBA Facebook post of events
20. One hour long lunch for all students each day
21. Give LLM Representative the right to vote