

SBA Meeting #1

Tuesday, September 01, 2009

- Honor Board Budget (Rishmil Patel)
 - 1. First meeting (held on September 10, 2009)
 - Lauren: Are the meetings closed?
 - Rish: Yes
 - Asked for \$10 for copies
 - Tony: Printing is free. Rish agrees to withdraw the request for money for printing
 - Still asking for \$50 for food for the fall meeting
 - Lauren: Motion to approve the \$50 for the first fall meeting.
 - 10 in favor
 - 1 abstains
 - Motion passes
 - 2. Other Expenses
 - Asking for \$75 for printing and \$25 for mailing
 - Lauren: Motion to approve \$75 for printing and \$25 for mailing with leave to come back
 - 10 in favor
 - 1 abstains
 - Motion passes
 - 3. Spring meeting
 - Asking for \$50 for food and \$10 for copies
 - JP: Motion to approve the \$60
 - 10 in favor
 - 1 abstains
 - Motion passes
 - 4. Other expenses
 - Asking for \$75 for printing and \$25 for mailing
 - Nick: Motion to accept \$100 with leave to come back.
 - 10 in favor
 - 1 abstains
 - Motion passes
- Maritime Law Society Budget (Nat Spencer and Kirby Aarsheim)
 - 1. Fall Meeting
 - Asking for \$150 for food
 - Only 30 students (medium sized group)
 - Lauren: Motion to approve \$75.
 - Unanimous in favor
 - Motion passes
 - 2. Clam Bake (tentatively September 18, 2009)
 - Asking for \$500 for food
 - Some food will be donated but not all of it
 - Open to the school
 - Big turn out last year
 - Regina: Maritime law is a big reason why ppl come to RWU SOL
 - Kristina: We gave the APIL and ELS BBQ \$485
 - Nat: Would it be less money to move it from Colt State Park to a bar?

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- Nick: We're not trying to dissuade you from having the event, it's just a lot of money
- Lauren: Colt State Park is a good idea because it gets people outside and away from the bar.
- Casey: Would you charge people for tickets?
- Nat: I don't want to create a barrier for people to come. I want people to come so I'd rather not charge people.
- Jen: Will there be alternatives to shellfish? (Allergies)
- Nat: I haven't thought about that but alternative food can be covered by the additional \$30
- JP: Need a date for this event.
- JP: Motion to approve the \$530 as requested by MLS with the contingency that unused nonperishable items be returned to SBA.
- Unanimous in favor
- Motion passes
- 3. Speaker Mr. John Bentley (late November)
 - Asking for \$100
 - This speaker has the potential to draw the biggest crowd because RWU has stated their opposition to the project that he's speaking about.
 - Lauren: Motion to approve the \$100
 - Unanimous in favor
 - Motion passes
- 4. Nat withdraws the NY Yacht Club Reception request
- 5. Career Panel
 - 2-4 Attorneys scheduled
 - Asking for \$300 (\$200 for food and 4 x \$25 for honoraria)
 - Diane: We should give no more than \$100 for food to be consistent.
 - Lauren: I'm inclined to table this until MLS has a date, attorneys, and has talked to career services for funding.
 - JP: Motion to table event pending further information (amendment from \$200 to \$100 for food).
 - 10 in favor
 - 1 opposed
 - Motion passes
- 5. Co-sponsor the tour at URI with ELS
 - We rejected ELS's request for this event because don't need food to go on a tour.
 - Nick: \$50 for a van
 - Regina: Motion to table pending further information regarding transportation.
 - Unanimous in favor
 - Motion passes
- 6. Spring Meeting
 - Tony: Motion to approve \$75 for spring meeting
 - Unanimous in favor
 - Motion passes

- 7. End of Year BBQ with ELS
 - Asking for \$200
 - Nick: Motion to accept \$200 with leave to come back pending more information regarding fall BBQ attendance
 - 9 in favor
 - 1 opposed
 - 1 abstains
 - Motion passes
- 8. Admiralty Moot Court
 - Asking for \$100 for food
 - JP: Motion to approve \$100 as requested
 - 10 in favor
 - 1 abstains
 - Motion passes
- 9. Ocean and Marine Spatial Planning Symposium
 - Asking for \$500 for food and 4 x \$25 for honoraria = \$600
 - JP: No speakers and no date yet
 - Regina: Motion to approve \$600 as requested for this event.
 - 5 in favor
 - 5 opposed
 - 1 abstains
 - Arthur breaks the tie: votes in favor
 - Motion passes
- OWLS Budget (No one here)
 - 1. Married to the Law
 - Asking for \$250 for food
 - Diane: Does this group even exist? Does anyone have an interest in it?
 - Regina: Yes, they did apple-picking last year.
 - Lauren: I think the family law society is putting on activities including families as well.
 - If we don't fund it, who will? Lydia Handhart's office.
 - Tony: if ppl are interested in this event, we should approve it. We are here to represent the students.
 - Nick: It's irresponsible to give this group this much money without them even being here.
 - Diane: "We should let them be owls and fly out of the nest. If they fall, they fall."
 - Lauren: We don't know any specifics about this event. We should hold all the clubs to the same standard (that we want to know the details).
 - Tony: Give this group a chance.
 - Diane: Motion to approve \$100 for the Married to the Law event.
 - Arthur: "Owls are endangered."
 - 8 in favor
 - 2 opposed
 - 1 abstains
 - Motion passes

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- Tabling all other OWLS budget requests
- Casey will write Sue Principe a thank-you note
- Presidential Report (Arthur):
 - 1. Welcome
 - SBA is here to represent the whole student body
 - 2. Mold-issue has been resolved.
 - 3. Listserv access for group leaders
 - Subject line must have group name and details in it
 - 4. A-Z packet for 1Ls made by Lauren are finished
 - 5. SBA lending library
 - Trade study aids for textbooks with Dean Lalli's office
 - 6. SBA office open house?
 - Let ppl know where this office is with footsteps and food (possibly in the morning with coffee)
 - 7. New location for student organization tables
 - Dean Bastone says it's too loud outside his office
 - But where would they move to so that they wouldn't be hidden?
 - 8. 1L Representative elections close tomorrow night
 - 10 people nominated so far
 - 9. SBA-dedicated email address/calendar
 - Arthur has talked to administration about it so that all the groups can see the different schedules
 - 10. SBA committees
 - Any independent interests?
 - Lauren: We should do public service
 - Regina: Sit in on the undergrad student senate to talk about parking tickets?
 - You can appeal parking tickets to the undergrad student senate.
- Representative Report (Diane):
 - We need to do something about the parking situation.
- Representative Report (Jason):
 - Hearing rumblings that the boat cruise isn't fun
- Representative Report (JP):
 - Dunkin Donuts and convenient store in new dorm
 - Food committee meeting coming up
 - Shrimp linguine possibly being added to the menu
 - Arthur: Please ask to make the utensils available 24/7
- Representative Report (Tony):
 - If you put money on your card, you get 10% off everything with your FS points
 - People don't like the hand blowers
 - People are complaining that there is no room in the library
- Representative Report (Jen):
 - Transfer student wanted to know if she could get involved with SBA
 - Anyone can come and sit in on the meetings
- Representative Report (Nick):
 - Transfers and 1Ls are smoking wherever they want
 - You have to smoke in the designated gazebos

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- Nick would like to be involved in the community service and would like to set up a food drive or something like that
- Could he put up a sign saying 2L rep in the lib?
 - Good idea, but ask the librarians
- Corresponding Secretary Report (Casey):
 - People don't like the hand dryers
- Recording Secretary Report (Liz):
 - People think the meat in the salads isn't fresh
 - You can print double-sided in the main computer lab
- VP (Lauren):
 - Need updated photographs
 - Could be glitches in the new student IDs
- Treasurer (Kristina):
 - Must be careful about the budget. We run the risk of going over the \$40K if we approve all the tabled issues.
- New Business:
 - 1. Softball Tournament
 - Jason is in charge
 - Fields are booked on September 19, 2009 (9 am – about 6 pm)
 - Rosters are being made
 - T-shirts looking good
 - SBA is not required to go, but it's recommended
 - 2. Boat Cruise
 - Jason: people said they wouldn't go
 - Arthur: "Move on with this event. Full steam ahead"
 - 3. Brown Med School Event
 - Dating mixer?
 - Bar event in Providence
 - Looking to have it in October
 - 4. SBA Office Keys
 - Sign up
 - 5. SBA Office hours
 - Sign up for at least 1 hour a week
 - 6. Business cards
 - Lauren: Someone is supposed to send us samples
- **Meeting adjourned at 10:50 pm**