

SG Meeting Agenda 4/18/12
5-6:30pm

- Vote to approve last meeting's minutes
 - Should we create a procedure for documenting the discussions/topics carried on via email between meetings which are not otherwise reflected in our official minutes? **TABLED**

- **VOTES**
 - **Claire officially appointed to SG as 3L rep: 8-0 in favor**
 - **Approved Minutes: 10-0**
 - **Budget & Finance Authorized to Look into Sustainable Cutlery: 8-0**
 - **Pizza will be at Dean's Forum from Valentino's: 7-1**

- **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
 - **EXTERNAL**
 - Curriculum - update on poll re: changing PI requirement - Colleen
 - **2L subcommittee trying not to make 2L less stressful!**
 - **Ideas - Take substitutes for PI**
 - **How do we deal with professor bashing in comments?**
 - **Colleen will think about it...**
 - **Victor Goode is a champion for re-evaluating the curriculum and the requirements**
 - **too much work**
 - **too many reqs**
 - **Family Law is 2 Credits but you have 2.5 hours of class time! this is bullshit!**
 - Appointments (EJP/Lawyering) - Russ
 - **Update: Pick was made. being made to P&B.**
 - **Colleen harassed ppl for evaluations.**
 - **2 offers being worked out.**
 - Academic Standing - Alex
 - **Next meeting during second week of May**
 - Admissions - next Wednesday - they hope to provide info on seat deposits and final application #s. Any questions we want to ask?
 - **No activity or voting happening on this committee.**
 - **Only one more meeting**
 - **When meeting: 4/25 @ 3ish.**
 - **Questions?**
 - **Has there been a decision re changing standards (LSAT/GPA)?**
 - **GARRETT to add poll to TWEN!**
 - **INTERNAL**
 - Finance & Budget Committee: report about budget request submitted

- **Asked for total: \$2,465**
 - **Survey Monkey**
 - **Staff App. Day**
 - **2x Student Forums**
 - **2x Deans Forums**
 - **Student Fair**
 - **Student Clinic Fair**
 - **Admin Staff**
 - Other reports?

- **OLD BUSINESS (TABLED)**
 - **STUDENT UNION - Constitutional Amendment Proposals**
 - 1) Circulation of proposals (after the meeting)
 - 2) Vote to take place at the final SG meeting
 - Added by **Steven**
 - **two proposals & voting at next session (May 2nd @ 5pm)**
 - **Means of notice**
 - **Email**
 - **TWEN**
 - **Post on Board**
 - **Send survey**
 - **Best Practices Working Group (Moira, Mark, Dana)**
 - **See below**
 - **Budget - Approve allocation of funds for the rest of the year - ALEX**
 - **BALANCE: approx. \$800**
 - deans forum -
 - staff appreciation day - **\$300**
 - sg party?
 - **Use \$ for sustainable party stuff (for sale/rent to student groups)**
 - **Look into it after finals**
 - **Reevaluate at end of year on the Budget & Finance Committee can look into it**
 - **CUNY Law Student Organizing 101 - Jean Stevens (via Garrett)?**
 - **Fall forum?**
 - **Delegates to general body meetings or e-board meetings**
 - **TWEN - Summer Project**
 - **Follow-up on Issues from last week:**
 - **Facing Students With Disabilities** (Caitlin & Lindsay)
 - Lindsay updated that she spoke with Valentine-- they're working out how to make these finals smooth (sent out room/time schedules already) and putting paper over the door windows no problem. She said faculty members were largely unaware that there was a problem-- maybe we as SG can push that particular issue at the next faculty meeting. Talked about doing a faculty committee for disability issues (CoC), suggested we

draft a "Disabilities Bill of Rights". Faculty may not be bound to specific accommodations-- we need to look into the law. The ADA coordinators at this school are Pat Kennedy and then Sarah Valentine.

- Academic Affairs Committee to take the lead - Charles - **Working Group**
 - Finals for this year - **Patricia**
 - **Waiting until it is closer to finals and farther from legal research and oral arguments.**
 - Coordinate through Twen site - **WHO?**
 - Solicit from Students
 - Post information from Pat Kennedy
 - Contact building committee to find out about new building - **Garrett & Kunal**
 - **Eml to Gregory Koster. Waiting for feedback.**
 - **Russ to be added to discussion.**

- **Faculty Accountability - Nonresponsive faculty members** (USS Rep Carolyn Fakury)
 - Talk with two profs re their tenure- **Kunal**
 - Bring in union rep for meeting - **Garrett** [No rep available - [link to CBA here](#)]
 - **Spoke to F. Deale. No longer union rep.**
 - **Union rep is at QC. SU is part of the QC.**
 - **Pay structure at CUNY Law is NOT part of EVERY part of the CBA**
 - **No post-tenure review, but raises to tenure professors have a semi-merit process.**
 - Look into public records and evals - **Moir**
 - **Can get them at the circulation desk of library. Colleen**
 - Grade changing procedure - **Charles**
 - Tenure info & USS contact - **Carolyn**
 - **Senate meeting on Sunday. Gonna float it to the USS.**

- Resolution re campaign finance reform-- Email to follow -- **Steven**
 - **Pending.**

- Student Proposal (Sean Diller, 3L)--to auction off all items not moving to building as part of class gift, which would require mechanism by which to determine what's not moving to the other building, who owns it, & whether they still want it. -- **Anything done/to do on this?**
 - **Milo to follow-up with Sean Diller.**
 - **Russ - What is going on with the books? Donated or trashed.**
 - **Can students hold the books and donate/sell?**

- [Resolution re Reaffirmation of Coca-Cola Ban](#) -- **Garrett, Colleen, Mark, Cassie** [eml [Garrett](#) to sponsor/cosponsor]
- <https://docs.google.com/file/d/0B6efSaDYNxYYMEJfTnNiRm41blU/edit>
 - **Garrett to edit and add other stuff.**
 - **Resubmit for vote at 5/3 session**
 - **Milo to be added as sponsor**

- Update from EJP/Lawyering Instructor has been chosen and submitted to PNB committee - **Russ**
 - **See above.**
- Student forum??
 - **Yes? No?**
 - **4/25 -> 5pm... checking with law review...**
 - **Nope... finals support.**

NEW BUSINESS

- 1Ls and 2Ls needed for help with the 3L end of the year party! tasks - 1 badass photographer, someone to handle tech (make sure the slideshow plays on the projector, puts up the slide for the superlatives), need help tabling for superlatives, need ppl to help Diller with the BBQ, and then just some floater helpers for loose ends.
 - 3Ls will incentivize this! i'm thinking about having a huge # of 3Ls each compiling some baller outlines that we used, putting all of these into a big file, and handing them out to the helpers. would something else be a better incentive? holler at me.
Claire clairvoyant531@gmail.com
- can someone send out an email to this effect? i don't have access to the 1Ls and 2Ls email. or tell me how an i can. **-Claire**
- **Need volunteers to be point ppl for the May 3rd end of the year party.**
 - **1L PP -> Russ**
 - **1L PP -> Patricia**

EVENT REMINDER: Deans Forum is April 19 (SIT) -- See Milo to help

- **Results from request to student groups to think about their comments/issues:**
 - Is the administration willing to adopt a policy that allows more student involvement in the clinics that will be added or taken away? (Maria Dyson -- BLSA)
 - Re: The school's moving plan: it's concerning that moving plans have not been clearly addressed to the student body yet (with the most recent updates). What assurances do we have that the move will actually occur when it's supposed to considering that this project has missed most of its established deadlines in the past? This is particularly concerning to 3Ls who are relying on the school as a quiet study area for bar prep this summer-- will 2 Court St continue to be an active and loud construction site over the summer after the move? (Phil Grommet and Mitchell Esteller, on behalf of the 3L class)
 - How does the dean plan on addressing the lack of professors or education around native american law or support for native american perspectives in our school? (IACLSA)
 - When can we start going to and planning events in the new building? (IACLSA)
- **Should SG prepare some of our own questions?**
 - **Thank admin for permitting student input re hirings. Ask for student input re Academic Dean.**

- Has there been a decision re changing standards (LSAT/GPA)?
- We need to order the food-- Deans will reimburse up to \$300!
- What do we get and when?

