NYU Law SBA Meeting
Tues. 20 Oct. 2009, 6 p.m.
Furman Hall 118

Attendance Guidelines:

- **(12)— more than half of the total (23)—is a voting quorum.**
- **(16) is the two-thirds necessary to propose amendments to the Constitution.**

Present:

- **(13) out of TWENTY THREE**
  Yoshi Sasao, President
  Doug Martin, Vice President
  Sarah Adam, Secretary
  Rob Swan, Student Senator/Parliamentarian
  Megan Dwyer, 2L Rep.
  Wamiq Chowdhury, 2L Rep.
  Ed Han, 1L Rep.
  Erin Martin, 1L Rep.
  Evan Goodman, 1L Rep.
  Sam Jackson, 1L Rep.
  Scott Goins, 1L Rep.
  Brian Byrne, LLM Rep.
  Carlos Arevalo, LLM Rep.

Absent:

- **(10) out of TWENTY THREE**
  Mike Gordon, Treasurer
  Erika Iverson, Social Chair
  Howard Locker, Social Chair
  David Goodwin, 3L Rep.
  Jeff Salomon, 3L Rep.
  Nish Chari, 3L Rep.
  Carley Palmer, 2L Rep.
  Stavan Dasai, 2L Rep. in place of Natalie Reyes this semester.
  Al Levy, 2L Transfer Rep.
  Ana Morales, LLM Rep.

Orders Of Business:

- Doug Martin, Vice President, recounts his communications with the Student Faculty Committees:
  - Legal Academics Committee has just met…
  - Lawyering Personnel C. (hires lawyering professors) is now taking applicants for next year.
  - Career Services C. discussing how to address military recruiters on campus, encouraging 2Ls to have more diverse summer experiences, etc.

    - Executive Committee declined to comment to update the SBA. (Students on the Committee are Phillip Pilmar, 2L and Tim Farrell, 3L, who said the info. is too sensitive to share.) The Committee wants to encourage pro bono activity within the student body.
    - Budget Advisory Committee has met. (We heard the happenings of the meeting last meeting.)
    - Curriculum & Adjunct Appts. Committee discussed Michael Livermore, Rachel Godsill (who was approved), Michael Hertz, and Anna Dimmel as potential hires.
    - Bias & Harassment Committee only meets if an issue is raised.
    - Clerkship Committee has not met yet.
    - Admissions Committee has not met yet.
    - Academic Personnel Committee met to discuss potential hires (Professors Oren Bar-Gill and Clayton Gillette are on the Committee).
- Rob Swan, Student Senator, has to appoint official alternate to go to one of his meetings—John Miller.
    - SBA Vote: all present vote Yea, except for Scot Goines who Abstains; no one is Opposed.
- Rob Swan reports from University Senate:
    - His job is to represent law students' interests to the Senate.
    - He is on a committee ASSBAC, All Students … Budget Allocation Committee, that distributes funds to university-wide student groups:
      If a law student (a) is chartered by the University or (b) opens his/her group up to the University (which one?), the group is considered "All Square": able to be funded by this University Committee. All Squares cannot get alcohol funding.
    - There are events university-wide, themed by month—e.g. Women's History, Latin Heritage, etc.
    - Harvest Fest: at Kimmel, on the 30th of October, volunteer opportunity.
- Yoshi, President, begins discussion on Fall Ball…
    - It is decided that there will only be (2) drink tickets at Fall Ball.
        - Three years ago—Fall Ball or Spring Fling—there was Open Bar, and a problem occurred… Someone threw wine on a painting and someone spit on a server who allegedly called that student a racial slur. After this problem, the Open Bar was changed to a 2-drink-limit Policy.
    - PILC Auction, Spring Fling, Fall Ball, and Law Revue—general alcohol policy for these events?
        - Currently alcohol may not be allowed at Law Revue. SBA (Carley Palmer) is going to speak with Pascale about this, this upcoming Monday—Broadway-style intermission? (Last time someone threw up, and bottles were being loudly rolled on the ground.)
        - Erica Iverson and Howard Locker are working on Spring Fling with Academic Affairs.
    - Student-Faculty meeting on the alcohol issue?—Town Hall?! The majority of students want a more liberal alcohol policy.
    - Protest by not attending Fall Ball?—There is a competing event the same night as Fall Ball, for multiple law schools **(FREE ADMISSION at Marquis 9:30-12:30**

p.m. exclusively for law students!). Boycott Fall Ball and go to this event instead?

- Mercer Basement Offices
    - New student groups wanting office space (Suspension Rehearing Project)—how to get space? The SBA is in charge of this; we will do an overhaul of the spaces down there.
    - Lists (to get into the Mercer building) are incorrect; we need to update them.
- Website—members should send the Secretary, myself, pictures and biographies.
- This week's party: THURSDAY, Oct. 22nd… probably at Josie Woods?
- 3L Class Gift Committee—Sabrina Ursenar working with Dean Revesz, etc.; we need to solicit 30-40 3Ls to help with this.