General Assembly Meeting Minutes
September 16, 2012
Room 520
5 PM to 7 PM

A. Call to Order
B. Roll Call/ Introductions
C. Officer Reports
   a. President
      i. Committee Report Expectations and Deadlines
         1. Friday before the GA meeting @ 5p to Sabrina
      ii. Housekeeping Rules
         1. If you send an e-mail to admin or anyone outside of Kent, you need to CC Emily Acosta
         2. Criticism and Complaints — Bring complaints to the appropriate person within SBA before bringing it public — give SBA an opportunity to remedy the problem
         3. Ask and you shall receive — ask Emily if you need to increase/ decrease your involvement
            a. Finance Committee still needs 2 more members
            b. There are also opportunities on Communications Committe
      iii. Attending SBA Events — No one else will go to an SBA event if the SBA does not
      iv. Working on appointments to the following Faculty Committees:
         1. Curriculum
         2. Diversity
         3. Library
         4. Student Life
         5. Technology
   b. Vice President
      i. Fariz
         1. There are positions on the Career and Tech Committees
         2. The Tech Committee also needs a rep who is available Mondays at 4
      ii. Emily D.
         1. No report.
   c. Secretary
      i. General Assembly Meetings (all are Sundays from 5-7 in Room 520)
         1. September 16
         2. October 14
         3. November 11
         4. December 2
5. January 27
6. February 10
7. March 10
8. April 14

ii. Attendance Policy — only 2 absences allowed; must stay for the entire meeting

d. Treasurer

i. Per SBA bylaws, attending the introductory finance meeting is mandatory for all student orgs that want SBA funding

ii. Notified Student Orgs of this policy and warned of potential to be removed via in person e-mails and 2 e-mails to Presidents

iii. Approval of student orgs meeting requirements: attended finance meeting, submitted bylaws, & registered with Jenna Abhijeet

   a. Motion — Bridget
   b. Second — Ed
   c. APPROVED Unanimously

iv. Student Organizations’ Allocations

1. There was a $30,000 rollover from last year; The proposed budget will not touch any of that

2. Proposed Student Org Allocations will be based on the money they spent in the past year, however it will not be the same exact amount

   a. Any organization that spent more than $1,000 was rounded down to $1,000
   b. Orgs that spent between $750–999 were rounded down to $750
   c. Orgs that spent between $500–749 will be rounded down to $500
   d. Orgs that spent between $250–499 will be rounded down to $250
   e. All other Orgs will have $150

3. The rounding down mechanism will ensure student orgs have to present funding requests with detailed explanations of the expected use of funds

4. The excess was allocated to the supplemental funds — All student organizations will still have access to supplemental funds

   a. Supplemental Funding requests are due at noon on Mondays (24 hours in advance of the Committee Meeting)
   b. The Committee is also looking for 2 1Ls and an ad hoc member

D. Committee Reports

   a. Finance- Sasha Kakabadse
   b. Diversity- Sabrina & Smita Sarkar
i. Sabrina is contacting the Faculty Diversity Committee to join forces—they haven’t decided when their meeting are

c. School Relations- Emily Dosch
d. Board of Inquiry- Keenan Daniels
e. Complaint Coordinator- John Golden
f. Elections- Bridget
   i. Results
      1. There was a tie from Section C
      2. The Evening division’s online election is invalid because people not in the evening section voted;
         a. Another election will be held Tuesday night at a mandatory Career; The new election will be by paper ballot
   ii. Run-Off Procedures
      1. Motion to adopt both of the individuals who tied from Section C—Bridget Maul
      2. Second—Rory
      3. Discussion
         a. Some representatives are concerned that other 1Ls who did not make the SBA will be upset about this
         b. The bylaws do not explicitly prohibit this
      4. **PASSES***** 12 Yes. 7 No. 2 Abstentions.
         a. **Upon further examination of the bylaws, the executive board noted that this action was not allowed and thus the vote is invalidated. A run off will take place.**

g. Social Committee - Julio
   i. Cost of 09/13/12 Social at Old Town Social
      1. It was around $990 (under the 1,000 budget)
      2. An Alternative social will likely be planned after the 1L second memo
h. Barrister’s Ball- Megan Morton & Megan Mulherin
   i. The Committee has gone to some possible venues, but will have more information at the next meeting
   ii. The goal is to pick a venue at the next meeting (October)
i. Careers- Fariz Burhanuddin
   i. Get Ready Get Set Get Hired will be in October—working on getting more details hammered out
j. Curriculum- John DiFrancesco
k. Philanthropy- Amy Chessir
l. Technology- Fariz Burhanuddin
   i. Someone is desperately needed for a faculty meeting Mondays at 4
m. Parliamentarian- Fariz Burhanuddin
i. Fariz is proposing that we change the bylaws to give the GA the ability to adopt both potential reps in the event of a tie
ii. Fariz will submit definite wording for a discussion and vote next time

E. Old Business
F. New Business
   a. Delegation of Barrister’s Ball Decisions to Committee Members
      i. There are many little decisions that need to be made and it may be beneficial to have this done by the Committee
      ii. There will still be checks on the Committee and a duty to report back to the GA each meeting
         1. First Sasha
         2. Second Emily
         3. PASSES Unanimous – Megan and Megan abstain
   b. Approval of Exec Order 73112 ($1,000 for ABA Conference Social)
      i. Frist - Sasha
      ii. Second – Emily D
      iii. PASSES Unanimously
   c. Approval of Exec Order 73112.2 ($500 for SBA Exec & C-K Admin Happy Hour)
      i. First- Emily D
      ii. Second- Steven
      iii. PASSES Unanimously
   d. Approval of 2012-2013 Budget
      i. Motion—Fariz
      ii. Second—Julio
      iii. PASSES unanimously
   e. Proposed Student Organization – Chicago-Kent Journal of Media Law
      i. Explores some IP issues, FCC compliance, and the role of media as a watch dog—which can apply to various areas of the law students are interested in
      ii. Students will have to write on to the journal, but it will be less exclusive than law review so more students can participate
      iii. Motion to Call to Q—Julio
      iv. Second- Bridget
      v. APPROVED Unanimously

G. Expectations for Next Month’s Committee Reports
   a. If there is a project you are working on, there needs to be concrete progress reported to the GA (not just “I’m working on it”)
   b. You need to submit items for the agenda the Friday before the GA meeting
   c. You should give at least 2-3 reports throughout the year

H. Motion to Adjourn
   a. Bridget
   b. Second-- Fariz