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**SBA Board Meeting Minutes – [October 3, 2024]**

1. Call to Order – 5:30pm in Room 201 and Zoom
2. Roll Call

**Present:** Isidro Barragan-Sanchez, Rebeca Delgado Mendez, Jenna Sharma, Mariela Zamora-Hernandez, Christopher Abuhamdeh, Jacqueline Amador, Andrew Shite, Jimmy Falaminiano Jr., Taylor Dawson, Ashely Rivera-Garcia.

Absent: Kristine Sea, Noor Kaur

1. Approval of the Minutes: Approval of September’s Minutes. Proposed by Andrew Shute, Seconded by Rebeca Delgado Mendez.

Questions/Comment: None

Favor: All present

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

**Motion: September Minutes are Approved.**

1. Old Business
	* + 1. Back to School Night

Isidro opened the discussion to the chairs of the event. Mariela stated that they felt the event, overall, went well. The turn out of the event was about 150 people, based on the food/dessert ticket count. The evening was fun and relaxing, and she had heard that some of the student’s really liked the fact that the event took place on the weekend. Mariela emailed the SBA board an itemized list of all the expenses and final numbers for the event. The Budget was originally $6,500, upon a motion in the September minutes, the budget was raised to $6,700. Luckily, we were able to put on the event under budget. Final total spent was $5,773.46. The floor was then open to all board members and the student body to give feedback about the event. Jimmy expressed that the feedback he received was that the event was not a fun as last year. Isidro then proceeded to ask Jimmy what exactly it was that the students felt made the event better, or more specific feedback that could be constructive in making the event better for next year. Lacey, while she did not attend, heard and thought it was fun based on the pictures that were posted online. Mariela listed that some things that could have been better such as organization and including name tag from the start of the event. Dean Pearson recommended that we should provide name tags, we then immediately brought down the name tags from the law review room. Regarding the food, Isidro stated that the hot dogs were bomb. Funnel cakes were also really good. The vendors were really nice. Mariela agreed that the food and desserts were really good. A student then commented about maybe for next year, if we are having a raffle, it might have been more engaging if the raffle winners were announced throughout the event and not just towards the end. The student suggested this considering that there were people coming and go throughout the event. They also suggested we have an area where the guest could see the prizes that were being raffled off. Mariela agrees that this is a great suggestion, will add it to the notes for improvement for next year’s back-to-school night committee. Jimmy also made a comment about the snack that were available. He felt that the snacks were not announced and would suggest that we make it more noticeable that we have snacks and that they were free to the guest. Chris responded by saying that the snacks were announced as they were greeting people. Isidro made sure to let people know to get snacks. Jimmy suggests moving forward we should make a formal announcement that there are snacks and announce it throughout the event. Mariela addressed Jimmy concern that he and his family did not know until late in the event that the snacks were free by stating that she didn’t think it was ever suggested that any part of the event, including food, snacks, or desserts, were ever at a cost to the guest attending. She apologized if that wasn’t clear especially since at all of our B2SN /SBA meeting the B2SN chairs and other members expressed multiple times how this event would be free of charge and we also wanted to make sure that there were enough supplies for every guest to have at least one of each snack, as seen by the vote to buy additional popcorn and cotton candy the week leading up to the event. Jimmy then suggested maybe a sign would be helpful so that every person at the event would know the event is free of cost. Mariela said she would take note of his suggestion and add it to the list she is making of things that the SBA can improve on, which she can then pass on to next years board. Jackie also commented on the organization of the event and suggested that we should have designated jobs. Going into the event and at the beginning she didn’t know about the tickets or at least how the ticketing would work. There were also issues with not finding the wristbands. For a future event it would be helpful to have known ahead of time which ticket applied for which vendor as that would have been very helpful. Taylor also agreed that having designated jobs would be helpful. Isidro commented that Kristine and Mariela did a good job. He also reminded the student body that the event is run by the SBA and not the school. As it is student ran, we had things that needed to be done as well as our normal school schedule. This was all hands-on deck event and maybe we could have other members more involved. Going forward with the Barrister’s Ball we are going to reach out to the general student body so that the event runs smoothly. Jimmy then commented that other students do have a lot going on, but we would appreciate if other students were more involved with the SBA. At the same time, we would have to let the student body know that they can be more involved. He also suggests that we let them know that the committees are open for the general student body to join. If you have any concerns or know of anyone that has any concerns, please let them know that they can reach out to the board or any of the representative. Another comment that Taylor made was that some students weren’t in the student picture. She then suggested that next time we can make more announcements leading up to the photo. Taylor also suggested that maybe we schedule the student picture at a certain time that way students know what exact time to expect the photo to take place so that they are prepared to show up at the steps to take the photo. Isidro apologized for that; an announcement was made but we could definitely consider scheduling a time for the next event. Rebeca noticed that there were about 5 students who didn’t’ make it to the picture. Jimmy suggests that we schedule it for Barrister’s Ball. Mariela appreciates everyone’s help and suggestions. She says, we will definitely take them all into consideration. Kristine and I are working on a To-do List/Check List with everything we know now that we need to fix and tasks that we required, by the school and the venue, to make when organizing the B2SN event.

* + - 1. 1L Elections: Rebeca informed the group that Taylor and Ashely are the winners. There was a 70% voter turnout, the highest in our records. This year there was also a zoom meet and greet. There wasn’t one scheduled but then it was suggested by the 1Ls and moving forward this sounds like something we should do every year. Congratulations to the new 1L representatives.
1. New Business
2. Surveys and Outreach to Remote Students.

Rebeca informed the student body that there were a few surveys that were sent out last month. We also had a student reach out asking that we inform their reps to email there classes more often. The 4L reps have been on it regarding 4L notices. Rebeca also mentioned that some surveys requesting suggestions and feedback have been emailed out but will be sending them out again to make sure that we received them. Mariela then discussed the website that Rebbecca created, which was very well organized and informative. Rebeca informed us that the website’s purpose is keep, both remote and in person, students informed of our events and the agenda for our meetings. Mariela then asked if that is something we plan on updating throughout the semester. Rebeca stated that will be, she will also be sending the link to the student body. Currently, she is still fixing the website with Derron, but plans are made to have it fully running. Mariela mentioned to the group that the recorded minutes from our meetings can also be found under the SBA section of the SJCL website. There they can find minutes going back to last year and a few from this year that have already been uploaded. Isidro then gave a recap of what was said and confirming that we will have the website running and updated.

1. 4L Class Report: No new updates. Any request from 4Ls, none.

Isidro stated that as we get closer to the end of the year there will be more updates for the graduating class. Discussion about graduation will begin as the semester roles on. The group was also informed that Barbri has extended their sale for the next week, to continue looking for discounts if that is something you wish to use as bar prep. Shannon then asked if do you have to use a link to use the Barbri discount? Jackie was not too sure, but said she just used the email that was sent to her. The representatives for Bar Prep are Vanessa for Barbri and Jenna is Themis. Cherry as mentioned that she wasn’t sure when exactly the last day might be for the discount but believes that is around Oct 30-31 and that discount brings the cost sown to $1100. Chris also suggested that the latest you want to send your moral character application is sometime in November. He also stated that the cost is $725 for the application and $20 for the live scan. He recommends going to Clovis Live Scan, located on Clovis Ave. There is also a place on Bullard and Cedar where they also charge $20. It was suggested that students call around to see what the best place price is to get the scans done, as some places charge additional FBI or DOJ fees. Isidro informed the student body that Bar Review is for any grade level, and you get access to the courses if there are any students of any grade level that wishes to buy bar review.

1. 3L Class Report: Not many additional Comments. 2Ls and 3Ls would like to request more ground coffee and filters. Lacey says 3Ls are doing good.
2. 2Ls Class report: Not many comments. But they have problems that the SBA can’t address. The problems are more about adjusting to the new teaching styles that they are being exposed to. Coffee would also be great.
3. 1Ls Class Report: Taylor has expressed that there have been concerns coming from the night contracts class as they have no TA. The night class doesn’t have a TA, and they see that the other contracts class is holding study sessions and would like to have some as well. Rebeca suggests that maybe we can have Isidro and Chris hold a session. Isidro states that there might be official TA that is assigned for the night class. We would have to check and see if there is anyone who is signed up as a TA since TA receive units for being a TA and they might not like another person taking over/holding study sessions. Taylor says that an additional comment she wishes to express is that the emails concerning the academic workshops and school event are great BUT having so many emails and reminders sent very frequently gets overwhelming. Taylor suggests that maybe we could ask the school to send out less emails or maybe we can have a consolidated calendar where students can look at the calendar if they would like to attend events. They don’t really appreciate having a lot of emails with the events plus constant reminders. They feel like with all the emails they are receiving, their course emails are getting lost in between. Mariela informed Taylor that there is a calendar that the school sends out. This calendar is sent by Cyndee, our Librarian, she sends it out at the beginning of the school year. But I don’t think the club events are included in that calendar. Rebeca also commented that there is a general calendar that Derren has been working on. Rebeca suggests that once it complete, we send the link to the student body and we can then ask the clubs if they wish, they can all add the club events they plan to have for the semester. Taylor says that it would be great and maybe the SBA can send that calendar out as soon as it ready.
4. Open Forum: No general comments or concerns.
5. **Adjournment – 6:22 pm**