**Senate Meeting Minutes**

**Monday, September 16, 2019 6PM Weems Auditorium**

**AGENDA**

1. **Call to Order:** 
   1. **Conner Whitten, SBA Vice President**
   2. **6pm**
2. **Roll Call:**
   1. **Chas Ellzey, SBA Secretary**

**Senators Present:**

Shelby Masters 3L – present

Whitney Jackson 3L – present

Micheal Lambert 3L – present

Johnny Douglas 2L – present

Camp Pittman 2L – present

Roe Powell 2L – present

L.T. Allen 1L – present

Nicole Bracey 1L – present

Keveon Taylor 1L – present

Quorum achieved with 9 senators present

1. **Meeting Order:** 
   1. **Conner Whitten, SBA Vice President**
   2. **Motion to Approve Meeting Agenda carries with a vote of 9-0**
2. **Introduction of President’s Cabinet:**
   1. **Catherine Pettis, SBA President** 
      1. *– Director of Alumni Relations & Networking -Cole Wood*
      2. *– Co-Director of Alumni Relations & Networking*
      3. *– Chief of Staff – Hart Pepper Martin*
      4. *– Director of Student Organizations- Calli Farrell*
      5. *Curriculum Committee Liason – Joshua Tucker*
      6. *– Director of Communications- Jordan Thomas*
      7. *– Election Commissioner\*- Bailey Brown (Hallie Donaldson and Andrew Todd)*
   2. **Motion to Approve President’s cabinet carries with a vote of 9-0**
3. **Introduction to Appropriations Process:** 
   1. **Drew Fitch, SBA Treasurer**
   2. **Organizational Presentations:** 
      1. **American Civil Liberties Union** – no delegate present
      2. **Animal Legal Defense Fund** – no delegate present
      3. **Black Law Students Association** – no delegate present
      4. **Business Law Network** – no delegate present
      5. **Christian Legal Society –** Trenton Winford, President & Marissa Thomas, Treasurer – CLS will host meetings 3 Mondays a month instead of every other Monday like last year. CLS is providing snacks, etc. at these meetings. CLS also provides 1L Snacks during midterms & finals for both semesters. End of year party for members. Events open to all law school community members
      6. **Federalist Society** – no delegate present
      7. **Mississippi Sports Law Review** – no delegate present
      8. **Out Law** – no delegate present
      9. **Phi Alpha Delta –** Marissa Thomas, president **-** Hostsocials & academic events throughout the year. Hosting get to know us meetings with 1L’s, and a dinner after initiation. PAD is trying to garner attendance from judges and practitioners (alumni networking) at their events, and having practitioner speakers. Rolling initiation throughout the year. PAD has 50-60 members so need funding for food.
      10. **PALS –** Elena, treasurer - First year officially running, initial interest meeting and one event per semester. Bringing kids to the school and also having kid friendly events. Those two events are open to anyone in the student body/faculty who have kids. Kid fashion show Halloween costume contest in fall. PALS will be helping connect parents in law school with resources in the community and raising awareness to needs of non-traditional students.
      11. **PILF –** Grace Lott, president Ashley Richardson, treasurer – PILF auction needs funds, and is an event for everyone in the legal community. PILF works on fostering relationships among classes and faculty in a more relaxed setting while supporting a good cause. Last year’s allocation made previous auction possible. SBA funding doesn’t go to operating budget, goes into fundraising to get student stipends for the summer to unpaid public interest work. PILF has $63 left over from last year’s budget.
      12. **Trial Ad** – no delegate present
      13. **Mississippi Workplace Law Society –** Zach Lawrence - Hosting 4 events this year. Hosting an employee workplace law workshop with panel of practitioners, event open to student body. They will host two movie nights. They will also host another panel of practitioners in the Spring.
      14. **Delta Theta Phi** Int’l Law fraternity – Conisha Hackett, president – Last year they hosted speakers including general counsel of MSU and general counsel of AARP. They also host member and non-member speakers to mentor students. Also host social events for members. DTP awards member students access to scholarships throughout each year of law school. They give three 3L’s $1,000 scholarships. Chapter alumni work with law school to guarantee funds so long as the chapter meets membership requirements. Only law fraternity with an authoritatively recognized journal.
      15. **Law Association for Women** – Consiha Hackett, - Organization application turned in late, so it is unable to be recognized as it was submitted after the application due date. Consiha was speaking to the MS Supreme Court and so was unable to turn the application in by the deadline. Consiha wanted to let everyone know they can still join the association!
4. **Recess:**
   1. **Conner Whitten, SBA Vice President**
   2. **Reconvened at 6:39 pm**
5. **President Pro Tempore:**
   1. **Conner Whitten, SBA Vice President**
   2. **Senate nominations: Michael Lambert**
   3. **Unanimous vote, Michael Lambert is elected President Pro Tempore**
6. **Honor Council Hearing Panel**
   1. **Connor Whitten, SBA Vice President**
   2. **Vice President nomination: L.T. Allen**
   3. **Senate nominations: n/a**
   4. **Unanimous vote, L.T. Allen is elected to serve as alternate member of Honor Council**
7. **Second Recess** 
   1. **Motion to recess carries at 6:51 pm, recess until 7 pm**
   2. **Closed meeting reconvened at 7pm**
8. **Appropriations:**
   1. **Drew Fitch, SBA Treasurer**
9. **SBA Budget:** 
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10. **Next Senate Meeting:**
11. **Adjournment**
    1. **Adjourned at 8:17 pm**