

A) Welcome from Executive Board.

B) Dinner from SaBai Thong - Attendees filling out survey while eating dinner

C) Introduction of Guests:

- 1) Prof. Mitra Sharafi – talked about South Asian conference volunteer opportunity
- 2) Nilesh Patel – Career services
- 3) Prof. Stephanie Tai – Clerkship opportunities
- 4) LEO leaders – MELSA leader
  - a. MELSA leader - Hazem Isawi
  - b. MELSA LEO representative – Rayen Pierattini (?)
  - c. LLSA president – Mackenzie Bishop? - LLSA opportunities ([www.uwllsa.com](http://www.uwllsa.com))
  - d. The Association of Asian American Grad Student – Gilbert Jose
    - i. Mentorship opportunity
    - ii. Potluck in October
    - iii. Blog: aaags
  - e. ILSA LEO representation – Yvonne Soto – groups to be more collegial and working together

D) Introduction of Executive Board:

- 1) President – Peach Soltis
- 2) Vice-President – Mia Haessly (abroad)
- 3) Co-Secretaries – Swathi Dhoma & Sansun Yeh
- 4) Treasurer – Payal Khandhar
- 5) Events Chair – Emily Yip (abroad)
- 6) Academic Chair – Nathan Leong
- 7) LEO Representative and Public Relations – Maya Ganguly
  - a. Announced LEO reception (tomorrow)

E) Ice Breaker Activity

F) Background on APALSA/SALSA (Peach)

- 1) Purpose of the Organization – refer as APALSA/SALSA
  - i. Servicing JD and Graduate Students
  - ii. Academic, Social, Professional, & Cultural Components
- 2) Main Annual Event
  - i. Pandemonium – no venue yet
  - ii. monthly meetings
  - iii. spring party – Taj MaBall
- 3) Email Listserve Policy – send any announcements to Sansun to be sent
- 4) Dispute Resolution & Political Activity
  - i. any grievances should given to the Executive Board who will address all problems, including APALSA/SALSA, LEO, and/or law school issues
  - ii. APALSA sponsors controversial events – we have policy and disclaimer: which is not necessary the view of APALSA members
- 5) Increased Member involvement – all members should be involved, not just Board; next meeting, committees will be set up
- 6) Open Board Positions – Elections Next Meeting (Oct.) – email Peach for nominations
  - i. IL Representative – liaison for 1Ls and board

- ii. Graduate Student Representative – LLM, MLI, SJD
- iii. Community Service Chair – organize different community service events through out the year; such as non-profit organization, email general body to facilitate the whole process; community justice week (PILF organized event everyday); last year we did food pantry and food sales with proceeds going to charity.

G) Benefits of being a dues-paying member! (Payal)

- i. \$20 to be member, but not need to be a member to attend meetings
- ii. access to outline bank and course selection guide – password and user ID to the bank
- iii. 10% off apparel sale
- iv. eligible for scholarships to conferences – plane ticket, registration, membership fee
- v. eligible to run and vote in the elections
- vi. 3L appreciation dinner – last year at Casbah – everyone received free meal
- vii. LLM students will have dues paid by East Asian studies (contact Payal)

H) Fundraising: Apparel Sale, Food Sale (Payal)

- i. sign up sheet to help sell for apparel sale
- ii. no dates for food sale yet (will set up committee to set up time)

I) LEO Program and Upcoming LEO events (Maya)

- i. tomorrow LEO reception
- ii. Once in fall and once in the spring – talk to profs and eat cheese
- iii. networking event
- iv. MELSA is sponsoring LEO Banquet

J) Academic Services & Thomas Tang (Nathan)

- i. complete survey
- ii. anything needed that is school related contact Nathan

K) Upcoming Events

- i. South Asian Conference/Workshop (Oct. 11) – volunteer opportunity - Prof. Sharafi
  - sign up sheet passed around; good opportunity to network with big wigs
  - if people sign up, they can go to the workshops
- ii. NAPABA conference in Las Vegas (Nov. 15-18)
  - good networking opportunity; people go every year
  - 3 JD and 1 grad students to be sent with scholarship money
  - application process due this Monday
  - JD – will get membership paid, registration fee paid and plane ticket
  - grad student - \$325 – plane ticket will be paid by East Asian Studies
- iii. BLSA sponsored Black Out on Thursday in support of Jena incident in Louisiana
- iv. Professional Development Events
  - fall reception @ local bar (networking)
  - spring – LEO professional development week (mock networking party)
    - law firm – what's it like to work at large firm as minority

L) Questions from Members

M) Thank You!