

APALSA/SALSA Executive Board Meeting

03/23/08

Attendance: Emily, Peach, Dan, Sansun, Payal

Our Next meeting in April will have the elections for board positions. The date should be mid-April, tentatively set for April 15. This will also be our final general meeting of the year.

Discussion of new roles of the board members – Emily will write up the new redefined roles in the bylaws and we'll vote on them at the last meeting.

LEO executive council representative – Peach reported that her meetings with the other LEO group presidents have resulted in the idea of having an LEO executive council with LEO presidents and additional reps to coordinate stuff. They would function as a mediation board (food sale example – go through the body) and resource for new students. The board would be a united front and more organized. The LEO rep may have a bigger role as they may be on this council. The LEO rep may become the faculty liaison too.

Each of the LEO groups may have to add an amendment to their bylaws creating a position for the LEO executive council. The duties will be same for each group and described later. Each group will adopt the same amendment.

The LEO rep position will no longer do public relations. They will maintain the LAF program and be the yellow book publisher but get contributions from the entire board.

VP position will be alumni liaison, public relations, and WABA liaison. LEO rep will no longer be public relations. VP is the holder of the alumni database – Mia should go through the surveys and set up the spread sheet. Once a year in September the spreadsheet should be updated.

The Community service/greater university (undergrad/graduate students) representative will go to AAAGS meeting. It's been hard to get people to volunteer for the community service events so why should we maintain the position of Community service chair? Maybe their role should be to get activities together and suggest and not organize events per se. Maybe have two scheduled events per year and just set the date in advance. The events should maybe be a bonding event and community service like going to the prisons (which is what LLSA does). Maybe we should have joint LEO event.

LEO banquet/cultural show?? Faculty is super excited about this (good for brochure)

AAAGS mini symposium April 5 – we're spending a lot of money – 5-6 grand. We are in charge of food. Swathi will get the same deal from Sai Bai Tong. There will be online registration. The organizers want 100 people but will probably get 60. We'll get poster

General meeting – Japanese food – 7:30 pm Rm. TBA

LEO town hall meeting report – A few people got riled up and there was frustration at the meeting. The issue of the name change of the LEO contract study group was mentioned. The LEO presidents meet every week now, which is progress from a few years ago. The LEO Executive council may try to hold pan leo events. Discussion of having a faculty liaison. In the Executive Council document, we may want to address the contract study group. The Faculty is not comfortable about running the study groups the way Whitford ran it even if he comes back next semester. It is a work in progress.

Academics – Nan says they are fine in terms of study groups.

Apparel sale – Payal sent stuff to Ben to get samples. The samples will arrive a week from tomorrow so we should have a sale in maybe two weeks. Week of March 31 will be the sale. Payal will send the LEO presidents the dates. The possibility of having another sale for admitted students was discussed (April 12) – Emily and Peach will help sell.

1L – Karaoke Kid – Friday April 11 at 10 pm – We'll donate 20 bucks for 20 songs

3L appreciation dinner – Emily will coordinate at the Casbah and dinners for people for the end of April