

**Executive Board Meeting
Sunday, April 26, 2009
Minutes**

I. THOMAS TANG

- a. **Need to get 1Ls to do it.**
 - i. **Talk to your friends.**
 - ii. **Tell students it counts for moot ct, good for fall resume.**
 - iii. **CHRISTINE: Send email.**
- b. Problem released in June or July
- c. No problem with coaches—lots of past participants willing to help
- d. Aneeq in charge of all summer e-mail announcements
 - i. Receive commitment from Prof. Clauss
- e. Earlier due dates
 - i. Last year brief wasn't due until end of September-this meant most of us didn't work on it until September, also meant we had less time to practice orals
 - ii. If we make the due date beginning of September, then this will force participants to work on it in August, thus giving us all of September to practice oral arguments
 - iii. Concerns?
 - 1. Everyone agrees an earlier brief due date would be better.
- f. Info
 - i. Any dues paying member can participate as a coach or participant
 - ii. Professor Claus supervises us to get credit. 3 for participant, 2 for coach.
 - iii. Competition is end of October in Kansas City
 - 1. **Rent vans**
 - a. **Everyone attending needs to get driver certification.**
 - 2. **Gas covered. Hotel and food not covered.**
 - a. **You have to front the money, then get reimbursed.**
 - iv. **3 credits. Need certain number of practice hours for the credits.**
 - 1. **Nhu had made elaborate chart with hours/credits last year.**
 - 2. **Total practice time: 60-90 hrs.**
 - 3. **Have to book rooms for practices.**
 - a. **Nhu is willing to help with academic chair stuff when she gets back from studying abroad in the spring.**
 - b. **Megha is also willing to help book rooms, etc.**
 - v. **Last year there were 7-8 teams.**
- g. **Start database for people interested**
 - i. **Use Google docs (CHRISTINE: meet with Megha to learn to do this)**
 - ii. **People interested so far:**
 - 1. **Aneeq**

2. DK
3. Purnita
4. Manish
5. Susan

II. YELLOWBOOK

- a. Guide given to new students
 - i. **SUSAN: Name change?**
 1. “Yellowbook” may come off as offensive.
 2. Maybe “APALSA/SALSA Yellowpages” instead?
- b. Susan’s job
 - i. Your discretion with what to change/add
- c. Let’s give it to non-Asian new students as well to get them interested in our organization
- d. E-mail new students a PDF version before they arrive over the summer
 - i. 1st week of August
- e. SBA website has useful information
 - i. **There is also a graduate student guide that some UW graduate program created that may be useful. Look into that.**

III. COPYSHOP ACCOUNT

- a. **Any board member can use the copyshop account for A/S business.**
 - i. **Just email it to them and tell them to charge it to APALSA’s account. Based on trust.**

IV. SOUTH ASIAN BAR ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

- a. Held from June 25th-June 28th (Thursday-Sunday) in Vancouver
- b. **Concerns**
 - i. **Really expensive.**
 1. We can use travel scholarships and LEO funds to help out with fees
 2. **Try to apply for grants.**
 - a. **PURNITA: Ask Matthew how much money we can give.**
 - i. Need to know how much we have left in LEO funds.
- c. **CHRISTINE: Advertise this in our e-mails**

V. Community Justice Week Idea-Vincent Chin

- a. Vincent Chin was killed in the 80s in Detroit Michigan. He is Chinese American, but those who killed him thought he was Japanese American and they were upset with the Japanese automobile competition. I don’t recall the specifics, but the men who killed Vincent Chin either were never charged or received very light sentences and Vincent’s mother never received any monetary compensation. She has since returned to China out of disgust with the American legal system
- b. Documentary team that travels around the nation and shows their documentary about Vincent Chin. They also interact with the audience too.
 - i. **Q/A with the team after the screening.**

- c. Their fee is \$1000 plus air/hotel, but when they come to a campus they contact other university departments.
 - i. The fee then gets split between all the other groups, so we won't likely have to pay the full \$1000.
 - 1. **For help with funding, talk to: National Lawyer's Guild, PILF, Q-Law, other LEO groups, and Marquette.**
 - a. **AAGS? – No, they already brought the team in last year.**
 - b. **WABA? – No, they're not always coordinated b/c so busy.**
 - 2. **Could probably get \$200 from each LEO group.**
 - a. **Will probably cost us \$200-300.**
 - b. **We have until March 2010 to figure it out.**
- d. The sooner we can commit, the better.
 - i. **Book them as soon as possible to see who else can fund the event.**
- e. If there are no objections, I'll confirm with them that we want them for Community Justice Week (end of March)
 - i. **Everyone is on board with this event.**
 - ii. **Comments**
 - 1. **From a general event's perspective, try to co-sponsor more. Try to get more funding from ASM.**
 - 2. **Perhaps have the screening in a bigger place.**
 - a. **In the Union?**
 - b. **As long as we advertise to the whole university, we can get funding from ASM.**

VI. SHOCK AND AWE

- a. Ideas to create more interest in APALSA-SALSA from incoming 1Ls?
 - i. **CHRISTINE: Send emails to 1Ls in summer about the organization.**
- b. Feedback from current 1Ls
 - i. What worked, what didn't?
 - 1. **Meeting A/S members during orientation and talking to them was a positive experience.**
 - 2. **Shorter meetings**
 - a. **Maybe 1Ls stopped coming b/c of the long meetings at the beginning of the fall semester?**
 - b. **Try to only have 1 professor talk at first meeting?**
 - ii. Anything memorable?
- c. **Meetings for next school year**
 - i. **Tuesdays & Thursdays are not good b/c Trusts & Estates and Evidence courses**
 - 1. **Try Mondays?**
- d. Orientation Week
 - i. When is this?
 - 1. August 28th?

- ii. What's the schedule?
 - 1. **APALSA meeting with 1Ls during LEO Orientation.**
 - a. **CHRISTINE: Send emails to 1Ls reminding them to attend our A/S session**
- e. Early activities
 - i. Traditional Vintage meet-and-greet
 - 1. Important that we get a lot of members to come to this
 - a. Social will be around 4 or 5 pm.
 - b. **Location: Vintage? Chasers?**
 - i. **It was at the Vintage last year.**
 - 1. **Not as big a turnout as we would've liked.**
 - ii. **Chasers**
 - 1. **Good appetizers, good prices, too.**
 - 2. **General problem**
 - a. **Most organizations book their social events that Friday of orientation week.**
 - ii. Community Service
 - 1. Arrange a community service event in early September
 - a. Ideal: focus on Asian American, maybe in Chicago?
 - b. **Maybe 1Ls are too busy at the beginning of the semester to attend.**
 - iii. **UW Law Orgs Fair**
 - 1. **All Board Members: Make sure you're available for that**
 - iv. **A/S lunch idea for 1Ls**
 - 1. **Cater from Milios?**
 - a. **Get the subs and take them outside.**
 - 2. **Plan for around 2nd week, after Labor Day wknd.**
 - v. **Welcome party**
 - 1. **3 course meal where you hop around different apt rooms for each course.**
 - 2. **Maybe have it in Dan's building since a lot of A/S members live there?**
 - vi. **Pandamonium/Bellini Lounge**
 - 1. **Bellini Lounge**
 - a. **Too expensive**
 - i. **Need some way to work out drink specials**
 - b. **Problem at My Bloody Valentine – no bar on the dance floor**
 - c. **Try to look for other restaurants that could give us drink specials and rent the space to us for free.**
 - 2. **DJs**
 - a. **DJ Sparks gives A/S deals. Charges \$250 instead of usual \$350.**

- i. MEGHA: Email DJ Sparks – if he keeps the same rate, we would book him for Panda and Taj Maball this upcoming year.
- b. Another possibility: Sakhoy's boyfriend is also a DJ
 - i. But he has no equipment and is more expensive.

VII. WEEKLY A/S EMAILS

- a. Board members should send the announcements they want included in the weekly email to Christine by Sunday night of every week.
 - i. Send the email as you want it to show up in the weekly email.
- b. CHRISTINE: Send emails every Monday
 - i. Send to LEO, APALSA, & SBA listservs

VIII. MEMBER APPRECIATION DINNER

- a. Get money from Edgar Lin who RSVPed but did not show up.

IX. APPAREL SALE

- a. PURNITA: Book Homecoming Week because we sold a lot to parents that weekend.
- b. Create a committee for apparel fashion ideas.
 - i. Yoga pants, shorts, hats were all a hit this year.
 - ii. Perhaps add a fleece vest with UW Law logo.
- c. Have sale during orientation week?
 - i. Maybe not. Too busy with OCI going on?
 - 1. Might also turn 1Ls off if we're trying to raise money at the meeting.
- d. Include apparel selections on the A/S website?
 - i. Megha will try to learn how to work the website from Matthew/Payal.

X. SBA WEBSITE – GOOGLE CALENDAR

- a. CHRISTINE: meet with Megha about learning to do this

XI. ROOM RESERVATIONS FOR MEETINGS

- a. For meetings, try to get 2260, 2211?
 - i. Megha will make reservations with Cutler.
 - ii. Try to get room 32** that overlooks the atrium?

XII. AAGS

- a. Try to get more people to go to the meetings.

XIII. PLANNING EVENTS WITH WABA

- a. MANISH: Inform them early!

XIV. EVENTS ON THE TERRACE

- a. MANISH would like to plan events at the Terrace with professors, etc.

XV. SECRETARY DUTY REMINDERS

- a. Check A/S mailbox (across from SBA office)
- b. Get locker number and combo (954, 955?)
 - i. Did we consolidate the two?

ii. Renew second locker this week?

1. Maybe won't renew if we don't need second locker.

XVI. ATTEND A/S EVENT ON FRIDAY!

a. Bringing professors in to talk about Japanese internment