

APALSA/SALSA executive meeting

11/01/07

Food sale – Wednesday Nov. 7 – cooking on Tuesday

Saturday meeting to plan the sale (decide who will take charge of sale; would like exec and non-exec member to take charge), posters will be put up on Monday

Matthew, Yvonne, Kanha – free to cook

Sansun will send an email to faculty member to tell them about food sale and to spread the word to other faculty

Changes in the LEO program

The program has been the same for the last 10 years prior to Prof. Whitford's retirement; with his retirements, there have been changes in the program and it has been pared down.

Concerns of other LEO presidents at a recent meeting –

- 1) school advertises its diversity – we are helping the school in the rankings by increasing diversity
- 2) contracts study group is changing; last spring during the planning of the study groups, there was no mention of the changes in the LEO program or the study groups
- 3) faculty is evasive
- 4) if the school is under pressure by the legal issues to promoting diversity, they should tell us so that we can accommodate for it
- 5) if they want us to fund some LEO programs, they need to give us more money

Peach went to the meeting as herself and not necessary as the APALSA/SALSA president person.

If the school does not sponsor a LEO contracts study group, then in essence all they do is the LEO banquet/reception and provide grant money for the different groups. No other visible LEO sponsored programs. They are using LEO group to advertise but they are not telling LEO groups anything about the future and the changes in the program. Some of the other groups are more aggressive in their approach to this issue.

The general body of APALSA – should they be told about the LEO uprising?

- 1) general meeting – make a general statement – just to let you know
- 2) executive board supporting position - funding argument (if they want us to take on more stuff, they should give us more money), what is the situation with LEO, need more openness

Exec board members - Keep track of what jobs you were doing

Academic schedule for the rest of the semester

MLI students – Nancy talked about needs for next semester in picking the JD courses and needing more help then; also the need to have study groups next semester

MLI students participate in study groups

Most of the MLI want JD tutors or JD study groups with other
Take two courses from JD program this semester and next semester 4 JD classes
The grad program hires JD student to lead study group for classes where there are
grad student that may need help
A list from Ethel about the classes with critical masses or the fringe classes would help in
the planning of which classes to offer study groups.

Also, there is a need for a cite checking blue book session (citation) – they will need
guidance in legal writing and research as they have to finish their graduate paper next
semester. Question of whether there is a conflict with looking at another student's work?
Maybe, but we can just use other methods to teach the writing and research aspects of the
paper.

CIV pro study session – with the other LEO groups

APALSA/SALSA is leading the discovery and dispute resolution

November 10th or 11th – LLSA

November 17th or 18th – APALSA/SALSA

\$15 -20 to fund treats for the 1Ls

Torts study session – Dec. 1st whichever date the civ pro one isn't on, then the torts study
session will be

Study group feedback from 1L members – good

Thomas Tang – Participants went and did well. No one ever advances from WI – even
though we send more than 3 teams. We were weak for getting the difficult questions. The
point of Thomas Tang is not to have one group and try to win. Anyone who wants to put
in the work in doing Thomas Tang should be able to do it. We need more faculty support
if we want to do better (Prof. Ralston and Nilesh involved). It doesn't have to be more
intense but a constant faculty member would help. Maybe get Lexis and Westlaw reps
involved. Nathan wants to write a procedural log so that person in the future won't be so
lost. We may need to broaden the group of professors that will help LEO groups
Nancy Vue gave us thank you notes to give to NAPABA and coaches. \$20 should be
invested in thank you cards to send to faculty for their help. Payal will go to Target.

LEO pre-malpractice outing – hour before malpractice starts (7:30 pm); malpractice
ball at memorial union; Porta bella Wine cellar suggested – Peach will call

WABA social on November 9, 2007, 5-7 pm

Café Montmartre or Jennas (but too busy on Fridays) were suggested because of parents
weekend precluding Ocean Grill. Swathi will coordinate with Jini (she'll make the
poster). Professors and others should be invited – Maya will invite

movie night – no one comes to them, should we cancel them - yes

try to change the nature of them (at someone's house – more social)

going to the theatre (an outing may be more fun)

make it more of an event

Asian American Collective Meeting – this Friday at 5pm at the Red Gym

undergrad events – lots of Asians on campus
they are in state of turmoil
if you are interested in recruiting, then good opportunity
peach is going

November 13 – officially sponsoring AAAGS program 6:30 in Helen C. White
We are going to give money about 20 bucks; This event will be our fall speaking event –
advertise in the law school (substantive event). Two facilitators, with lots of experience
in Asian American activism will be present

Community Service – Swathi G.

How much should she plan – she plans and then emails to get people involved
She should give enough time to coerce people; 1 event in the fall or move it so that there
is an event in the last week of January

Apparel Sale Report – Payal reported \$5000 in sales and projects about \$1000 in profit
\$ 5000 worth of apparel is a lot of stuff; having a huge variety of people helping to sell
made a difference; Ben will help sort; we may need helpers to come, help sort and bring
boxes; two cars full of apparel; order put in Wednesday – it'll probably be 3 weeks before
they arrive (right before Thanksgiving); we'll need help to distribute after sorting;
potentially after Thanksgiving; Payal will go through during winter break what sold, to
put in the next sale; she'll have committee and go through the apparel to design new stuff

Dan report of 1Ls – tort study group is wanted by the 1Ls
many have mid term on Sunday so they can't make the Saturday food meeting

Another issue:

Peach said 1L emailed her about having the study group be limited to dues paying
members. In order to pursue pan LEO cooperation, if you are a dues paying member of
any LEO, then it should be ok to come to our study groups. We get SBA funding based
on the fact that we service a wide range of students, not just APALSA/SALSA members
so we can't really limit our services. Peach will give an explanation at the general
meeting about why the study group policy is open to everyone and just not the dues
paying members. If they feel like they aren't getting enough out of their fees, then we
should reiterate what they do get.

Budget planning – last year, there were 3 scholarships available to dues paying
members; if there is bunch of money leftover this year, then give out scholarships again
(maybe cut down on the amount)

Maybe a fall scholarship for those who cannot afford the membership fees but would like
to be apart of APALSA/SALSA - write a personal statement; based on financial needs
(which would be confidential); The scholarship recipient would have to volunteer in a lot
of things. Have other events like LAF bowling night with pizza.

We have 8000 in the bank now but 2000 should stay in the bank for next year
After everything settles, Payal will have a better idea about how we stand financially
Upscale factor was what appeals to some people
What are our priorities – how to best serve our members

Student orientation process – they offer services to any student organization
1L activity - Low ropes course at Research Park – go get eat/drinks afterwards

Next general meeting – 14th on November 7:30 pm
Indian food to be served – Maharani a possibility