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| Position | Name |  |
| PRESIDENT | Caroline M. Moos | Present |
| VICE PRESIDENT | Gabriel Ramirez-Hernandez | Present |
| TREASURER | Heather Adams | Present |
| SECRETARY | Scotty Ducharme | Present |
| AT-LARGE | Patrick Kennedy | Present |
| ABA | Vacant | Vacant |
| 4L | Joseph Sathe | Present |
| 3L FT SENIOR | Paula Bloomquist | Present |
| 3L FT JUNIOR | Nicole Harris | Excused |
| 3L EVENING | Peter Black | Absent |
| 3L WEEKEND | Thomas Olson | Present |
| 2L FT SENIOR | Caleb Gerbitz | Present |
| 2L FT JUNIOR | Aaron White | Present |
| 2L EVENING | Elizabeth Slama | Present |
| 2L WEEKEND | Anthony Schrier | Present |
| 2L EJD | Nicole Geffre | Present |
| 1L WEEKEND | Nicole Frethem | Present |
| 1L SECTION 2 | Maleah Otterson | Present |
| 1L SECTION 3 | Wendy Carlson | Present |
| 1L SECTION 4 | Madison VandenBerg | Present |
| 1L EVENING | Tyler Martin | Absent |
| 1L EJD | Jeff Smith | Present |
| HYBRID COHORT 1 | Vacant | Vacant |
| HYBRID COHORT 2 | Vacant | Vacant |
| HYBRID COHORT 3 | Rachell Henning | Present |
| HYBRID COHORT 4 SENIOR | Jordan Scofield | Excused |
| HYBRID COHORT 4 JUNIOR | Whitney Alston | Present |
| HYBRID COHORT 5 | Brandy Scott Mai | Present |
| JUDICIAL COUNCIL | Deanna Rey | Present |
| JUDICIAL COUNCIL | Vacant | Vacant |
| JUDICIAL COUNCIL | Robert Dearden | Excused |

1. Roll call (2:00)

1. Motion to have Members enter their reports via email because of the impending storm.
   1. Moved by Gabe
   2. Passed by unanimous voice vote
2. BOG reports – appended via email
3. President - Caroline M. Moos
   * 1. **Weekend update.**Change announcement was buried in Dean Lemoine’s email. I expressed frustration that this big announcement was hidden, seemingly in some effort to hide the ball. She said it was challenging to draft language appropriately to not cause more alarm to students than necessary and to convey the context that led up to the decision.
        1. Info session - I got lots of complaints about this being more about selling the change to students that hearing them out or really addressing their concerns. I raised them to Dean LeMoine and Prof. Hilbert. I’ve been meeting with some students one on one about this and students are requesting additional info sessions, perhaps smaller groups. School is planning another general info session in March, they announced it at the first info session.
        2. Survey - please send out weekend survey if you have not yet <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/XM2DDLL>
        3. Focus group - I’ve had a handful of folks express interest, if any of the BOG wants in on this, email me. To be determined exactly how this is used, will be discussion after survey closes.
        4. We want more student voices in the decisions - I am trying to get a student spot on the 2020 planning subcommittee. I was told that the committee meets a lot so it would be hard for a student to have the bandwidth but I expressed that they should let us have the opportunity to be there, that this is too important to not invite us due to a perceived scheduling challenge. Continuing to work on this effort, not yet successful.
     2. **“Political” funding restrictions.**Art Berman, Director of Finance at MHSL, confirmed that our bylaws provide the correct guidance re funding political advocacy.  It is important for SBA, operating under the school’s 501c3 umbrella to act consistently with those expectations relating to not funding political stuff. He said we acted correctly re: the OutFront gala funding denial. I shared more specific resources from Art with the E-board should this ever come up again. No need to amend the guidelines or bylaws related to this in my opinion.
     3. **Add to Hachey update.**Lynn Lemoine tells me the new furniture should be delivered by end of February (although goal, not a guarantee).
     4. **4. Midyear sweep ups to come.**After fall semester closes each year, the SBA assesses what activities orgs/committees had planned for fall 2018 that did not occur. Since folks can’t just move money around that was allocated for something else, that money is considered forfeited and the SBA performs a “sweep-up” of those unspent funds to reallocate them to ensure they can be spent efficiently in the Spring. We don’t want to let student fees sit dormant and unspent all year, in fact, it’s our duty to ensure that doesn’t happen. Orgs/committees can always submit an amended request for spring if they want to move an event they’d planned for fall to spring, for example. But this notice and action will be occurring soon. Heather is working on that notice communication to send to student orgs and committees which invites them to submit additional requests for spring. Given this, we may have a few budgets to consider at Feb BoG. **Reminder to get all of your reimbursements in ASAP.**This is how we assess stuff for the sweep-up.
   1. Vice president - Gabriel Ramirez-Hernandez
      1. We continue to work on a 1L diversity initiative. Caroline and Nicole have been working hard in the Diversity and Culture committee to ensure we will have staff trained next year to administer IDI. In the meantime, we are exploring non-profit rates to provide the exam and sessions as part of the 1L spring curriculum. More on this when we have a confirmed sponsor (not student fees).
      2. I attended the MHSL Committee on Academic and Student affairs comprised of faculty, administration, and trustees on behalf of MHSL students. Although most of the information is confidential, I can say I moved to amend the committee's charter to mandate a student present at all meetings which was defeated. The current language is "may include students."
   2. Treasurer - Heather Adams
      1. Treasurer Report:
         1. Spring fees haven’t been collected yet per the Finance Department.  They are currently being billed and the number should be available mid-February.
         2. Recap of SBA activity from July through December of 2018 (as of 1/22/19)
            1. Total Fees for Fall = $58,600
            2. Expenses                = $27,817.66
            3. Net                          = $30,782.34.
4. Secretary - Scotty Ducharme
   * 1. Communications Committee
        1. Security Survey Results
           1. Key Take Always from the Security Survey

A lot of people took the survey

257 people took the survey

A good blend of demographics responded

Most students felt the school communicated well with the student body about the changes in security measures.

Most students felt that the school is not interested in their opinion on security.

Most people feel safe on campus

91% percent of people feel safe

There was no significant difference based on sex, race, age or any other demographic

People were mostly apathetic, but slightly comforted by extra police on campus

No demographic showed a strong dislike for having a police officer on campus

Black students were about evenly split between liking and disliking police on campus

People felt the least safe in the Grotto lot and parking lot

People were most afraid of mass shootings, theft, and sexual assault in that order.

People were most afraid of strangers and then the police.

Students strongly disliked the closing of the exterior doors

Students were concerned that they’d be more vulnerable to robbery and sexual assault while walking around the building at night.

Students preferred that doors E14, E10, E15, and E3 be opened for keycard use in that order of preference.

Only 9/241 were asked for their ID at the door.

8/241 were white

1/241 were black

No other ethnicities responded that they were asked for their ID

* + - 1. Weekend Survey
         1. Please remind your Members to take the survey. Right now participation is at about 140 which is mediocre.
      2. Website Update
         1. The website update will be an ongoing and gradual process

1. At-Large Member Patrick Kennedy
   * 1. Alumni Relations Update: I was able to attend a portion of the Alumni Relations Board Meeting. Dean Gordon gave us some great insight into the Hybrid/EJD Program, acknowledged concerns from alumni about the weekend program, and expressed excitement about the next phase of blended learning, which the administration codenamed “Hybrid 2020.” The Alumni Relations Board is also exploring better ways to reach out to alumni and increase engagement. If you have any suggestions, let me know please!
   1. ABA - Vacant
      1. Crystal Lemmer resigned shortly before the meeting
2. 4L - Joseph Sathe
   * 1. No report submitted
3. 3L FT Senior - Paula Bloomquist
   * 1. Facilities
        1. Hachey Commons: Coming along, unsure when it will be finished. Current project is to go through the SLO and old Student Chambers to figure out what we are moving to Hachey, what we are storing and what we are discarding. I sent an email to facilities committee but have not heard back from anyone. I will be following up this week. If anyone likes organizing/cleaning and wants to help with this project, the more, the merrier—please email me!
     2. Security:
        1. From the information I have received, the school is still working on putting in place more security measures and protocols for MH. If anyone has any specific questions, please reach out and if I cannot answer your question, I can connect you with someone who can.
4. 3L FT Junior - Nicole Harris
   * 1. Culture & Diversity Committee: We are looking to have an event this semester and will update on the specifics. I believe we have already been provided with funding for an event this related however I’m not sure if the specifics were provided.
5. 3L Evening - Peter Black
   * 1. No report submitted
6. 3L Weekend - Thomas Olson
   * 1. Bylaws Committee
        1. We had a meeting to discuss a process for moving forward with the revision of the bylaws, and agreed on a schedule that will make it possible to revise the bylaws by the end of the school year. Seeing as the bylaws committee is an open committee, we welcome any SBA Representatives that is interested in attending the Bylaws Committee and discussing each section of the bylaws and how to revise them to please attend those meetings. While the Bylaws Committee’s proposed Bylaws will ultimately need the affirmative vote of the SBA BoG before they are implemented, Bylaws Committee is planning to commit substantial energy to create a committee recommended document that has the best possible chance to pass the SBA, and we can only do that if people who have concerns participate in the process. So if you have specific concerns the committee plans to cover the following sections in the following meetings:
           1. Sun. 2/10 @4:30-630 in Room 219 or on ZOOM; Preamble, §I,II,& III
           2. Sun. 2/24 @4:30-630 in Room 219 or on ZOOM; §IV,V, & VI
           3. Sun. 3/20 @4:30-630 in Room 219 or on ZOOM; §VII, and the Bylaws as a whole.
        2. If you have any questions about attending, please feel free to send any questions to me – Tom Olson Thomas.olson@mitchellhamline.edu
7. 2L FT Senior - Caleb Gerbitz
   * 1. Social Committee Update
        1. Committee has yet to meet this semester. Focus going forward is on Barristers. Major pieces including food and venue are in place. Priorities include hotel reservations, securing a DJ, and beginning ticket sales within the next month.
        2. Faculty Debate: Initial Facebook survey regarding holding a faculty debate generated no interest. When it meets next, social will decide whether to proceed with debate or focus on Barristers.
        3. Hockey Tailgate: Following today’s meeting, the possibility of sponsoring a tailgate before the tri-school hockey tournament on April 6 was discussed. Social will vote on seeking funding this week.
     2. 2L Day Update
        1. Given the upcoming search for a new dean, what role if any will next years student government play in the search?
8. 2L FT Junior - Aaron White
   * 1. Health and Wellness Committee
        1. Flannel Friends appears to be doing well, although there has been more staff and faculty participation than student participation up to this point. There was another of these events last Wednesday which also featured dogs. Unfortunately I did not hear about this event until after the fact so I was unable to send that information out. The good news (or at least I assume this is good news) is that there will be a stronger push to have therapy dogs on campus more frequently. There are some liability and time scheduling hoops the school has to jump through, but they do seem excited to have this be a more regular occurrence.
        2. We are currently trying to figure out when both the SBA and Faculty committees can meet again, I will send that information out when it has been finalized.
     2. Full Time 2L
        1. I received feedback about the Admin Law Survey that went out, and the disappointment from not getting a class added this semester.
     3. 2L Evening - Elizabeth Slama
        1. Nothing to report. Everyone is happy at this point.
9. 2L Weekend - Anthony Schrier
   * 1. 2L Weekend Representative Report - January
        1. Had many constituents concerned about the Blended Weekend program from the meeting hosted by Professor Hilbert on January 19.
        2. They would be interested in a focus group.
        3. Nothing else to report
10. 2L EJD – Nicole Geffre
    * 1. I received feedback from multiple constituents regarding the Barristers Ball expense and the lack of interest Executive JD Students have in attending the ball. I am working with Heather currently to get a better understanding of the budget since I came on mid-year but it was my understanding the Barristers Ball takes up a majority of the dues collected.
         1. If Barristers Ball does take up a majority of the budget, students and I have expressed a need to either reduce HEWES student SBA fees; eliminate such a large subsidy to the Barristers Ball; and/or increase the value HEWES students receive, in part by ensuring we have access to clubs and events remotely.
      2. Related concerns were that the bookstore is not open Sundays for when Executive JD students are on campus and a reiteration of frustration that organizations do not offer meetings online. I am currently working with Dean LeMoine regarding these concerns but wanted to also present them to the board. There were also comments made regarding lack of IP classes offered online that I am also working with Dean LeMoine to address.
      3. I would especially appreciate feedback regarding the budget allotments and organization participation from other HEWES members. Is this something other HEWES cohorts have expressed concerns regarding historically?
11. Hybrid Cohort 1 - Vacant
12. Hybrid Cohort 2 - Vacant
13. Hybrid Cohort 3 – Rachell Henning
    * 1. Hybrid Cohort 3 Rep Report
         1. In response to my classmates request for a refresher on the career services available from the school to assist them with finding internships, scholarship opportunities, and associate positions. I worked with Professor Fuith, Dean of Career and Professional Development to set up a Zoom meeting open to all students to re-introduce students to the career services and provide an overview of Symplicity. Information on the meeting is below.
            1. Topic: Mitchell Hamline Career and Professional Development Information Session
            2. Time: Feb 6, 2019 7:30 PM Central Time (US and Canada)
            3. Join Zoom Meeting
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            5. One tap mobile
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            7. +16699006833,,294823792# US (San Jose)
            8. Dial by your location
            9. +1 646 558 8656 US (New York)
            10. +1 669 900 6833 US (San Jose)
            11. Meeting ID: 294 823 792
            12. Find your local number: https://zoom.us/u/abQDHrpc7s
      2. HEWES Committee Report
         1. I am trying to get budget numbers from Deb or Heather on the expenses incurred last semester so I can send out updated budget numbers to reps for this semester.
      3. Faculty Curriculum Committee Report
         1. The Academic Excellence Center has proposed a change to the Legal Methods course. They have proposed incorporating student leaders into the Legal Methods course to serve as liaisons to first year students and to provide them with mentorship and feedback and to respond to students’ questions and concerns. The student leader positions sound like an excellent opportunity for outstanding students in the 1L class this year to step up and gain valuable experience helping incoming 1L’s while also strengthening their own skills. The course will be offered either for credit (pass/fail) or for work study. The student leaders would review student submissions and provide feedback, they would not be involved in the grading decisions as that will be the adjunct faculty’s responsibility. The feedback would be reviewed by the adjunct faculty prior to being released to the student. Student leaders must have at least a 3.3 GPA to be considered for the position. The Academic Excellence office will be releasing more information on the opportunities in the next month.
         2. Professor Fuith and Professor Knapp spoke to concerns regarding the lack of communication and continuity between the faculty of the Lawyering and Legal Methods courses. This is being worked on to address the issues some of the 1L reps brought to my attention earlier this year. No specific details were discussed.
         3. We did not discuss anything regarding the enrollment pause for the part-time program as the majority of our meeting was discussion of the proposed change to the Legal Methods course.
14. Hybrid Cohort 4 Senior - Jordan Scofield
    * 1. No report submitted
15. Hybrid Cohort 4 Junior - Whitney Alston
    * 1. No report submitted
16. Hybrid Cohort 5 - Brandy Scott Mai
    * 1. Students in the 1L Hybrid Cohort have concerns about the following:
         + 1. To piggyback on previous mentions of adjunct grading concerns, this is still a concern in our program. We brought it up during our Capstone town halls. Blended Learning was made aware of the issue, as well as our professors. However, students still "feel" it is a subjective process and they are constantly chasing moving targets.

Additionally, there is feeling that Blended Learning and BL professors/adjuncts don't place enough emphasis on connecting with students who are not on campus, which leads to concerns about career development

* + - * 1. There are increasing frustrations with the financial aid office. Many students were told upon enrollment that they would be considered for an increase in their merit-based scholarships after first-semester grades. When they reached out to financial aid last week (after grades were posted), they were told there was a policy change on Jan. 15 that prevented scholarship increases. When students asked for copies of the old vs. new policies, they were then told it wasn't actually a policy, just a practice.

This is in addition to a few student veterans receiving seat deposit waivers, then learning that it wasn't technically a waiver of the fee and that the amount was actually rolled into the tuition they owed. They felt it was a smoke and mirror guise under the auspices of "thank you for your service," which is disrespectful. Further, the terms of this waiver offer weren't clearly laid out. There are cascading concerns on this that I'm happy to outline for anyone who may need it.

* + - * 1. Hybrid students understand we are unable to attend many events or participate in many of the things offered at the school. However, we feel there is not an effort for inclusion. Plus, we pay the same student fees as everyone else for less benefit. How can we work to be included more or have our fees be more reflective of our actual participation in student activities?
        2. We'd like to find a way (maybe a fb group to start) to have more access to our upper classmen and members of other cohorts. Everyone feels they are in silo. Their thoughts are that this is taking away from the law school experience. Plus, given the increasing frustrations with the school, conspiracy theories abound that being compartmentalized keeps us from gaining access to important information and school chatter).

1. 1L Weekend - Nicole Frethem
   * 1. Only update is to reiterate our concerns about the attention and support for the weekend program in light of the pause in admissions and to ensure that there continuous to be on-going communication both about the future of the program and support for currently enrolled weekend students.
2. 1L Section 2 - Maleah Otterson
   * 1. Nothing to report
3. 1L Section 3 - Wendy Carlson
   * 1. Alumni Relations Committee
4. 1L Section 4 - Madison VandenBerg
   * 1. Nothing to report other than everyone is enjoying the new microwaves.
5. 1L Evening -Tyler Martin
   * 1. Nothing to report!
6. 1L EJD – Jeff Smith
   * 1. Many students in the 1L EJD cohort expressed concerns regarding the following:
        1. the timing of when grades were communicated for the full semester. It seems to be a matter of expectation setting, but there is definitely a request for clarity of when grades will be posted to student records.
        2. There are concerns have been raised regarding consistency of adjunct grading policies going into the second semester. As of this meeting, one course professor has been in communication and expectations have been clarified. This is an item that was escalated to the Blended Learning directors, so I am confident that this issue has been resolved. i want to air it here to put this issue on the record for SBA.
        3. Aside from these minor concerns, 1L EJD students are doing well and have successfully ramped up into our second semester.
7. New Business
   1. Bylaws amendments
      1. Judicial council attendance – Motion discussed at 1:54:00
         1. Motion came out of Bylaws Committee
            1. Committee Chair Olson moved and spoke in support
            2. Secretary Ducharme spoke in support
            3. President Moos spoke in support
            4. Gabe spoke in support
            5. Member Alston spoke against the motion
            6. Councilor Rey spoke against the motion
            7. The motion did not receive a 2/3rds majority – see attached vote sheet.
      2. Travel policy
         1. Motion came out of Bylaws Committee
            1. Caroline spoke in support
            2. Tom spoke in support because the
            3. Caleb and Anthony had a question about how the policy related to competition travel.

Caroline stated competition travel is generally paid by the school, and SBA shouldn’t try to take that cost on.

* + - * 1. Aaron clarified that the amendment means that a student can reimbursed for onlky one trip per year.
        2. Passed by unanimous voice vote except Maleah voted against it
    1. Gala Policy
       1. Motion came out of Bylaws Committee
          1. Gabe spoke in support
          2. Patrick spoke against
          3. Passed by unanimous voice vote except Patrick and Paula voted against it and Elizabeth abstained.
  1. Funding motions
     1. Adverse Possession for $1000 for winter registration fees.
        1. Passed by unanimous voice vote
     2. Journal of Practice and Public Policy request
        1. Scotty moved that SBA fund JPPP in the amount of $500
        2. Patrick Seconded
        3. Approved by unanimous voice vote except Rachell voted Nay

1. Old Business
   1. Approve November Minutes
      1. Tabled to next meeting due to weather
2. Open Forum
   1. Nothing
3. Adjournment

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| Judicial Council Bylaws Amendment | | |
| Position | Name |  |
| PRESIDENT | Caroline M. Moos | Abstain by rule |
| VICE PRESIDENT | Gabriel Ramirez-Hernandez | Aye |
| TREASURER | Heather Adams | Aye |
| SECRETARY | Scotty Ducharme | Aye |
| AT-LARGE | Patrick Kennedy | Aye |
| ABA | Vacant |  |
| 4L | Joseph Sathe | Aye |
| 3L FT SENIOR | Paula Bloomquist | Aye |
| 3L FT JUNIOR | Nicole Harris | Not Present |
| 3L EVENING | Peter Black | Not Present |
| 3L WEEKEND | Thomas Olson | Aye |
| 2L FT SENIOR | Caleb Gerbitz | Aye |
| 2L FT JUNIOR | Aaron White | Nay |
| 2L EVENING | Elizabeth Slama | Aye |
| 2L WEEKEND | Anthony Schrier | Nay |
| 2L EJD | Nicole Geffre | Aye |
| 1L WEEKEND | Nicole Frethem | Nay |
| 1L SECTION 2 | Maleah Otterson | Nay |
| 1L SECTION 3 | Wendy Carlson | Abstain |
| 1L SECTION 4 | Madison VandenBerg | Nay |
| 1L EVENING | Tyler Martin | Not present |
| 1L EJD | Jeff Smith | Nay |
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| HYBRID COHORT 2 | Vacant |  |
| HYBRID COHORT 3 | Rachell Henning | Abstain |
| HYBRID COHORT 4 SENIOR | Jordan Scofield | Not Present |
| HYBRID COHORT 4 JUNIOR | Whitney Alston | Nay |
| HYBRID COHORT 5 | Brandy Scott Mai | Aye |