## MITCHELL HAMLINE SCHOOL OF LAW NOVEMBER 2021 SBA MEETING MINUTES Start Time: 5:02pm – End time: 7:03pm.

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

#### 2. GUESTS: AMANDA SODERLIND AND GREG DUHL

a. Amanda Soderlind speaks on current project to find a student information system

to house student information, HR, and finance. Will be vetting vendors and

inviting SBA and deans to evaluate and discuss vendor in December. New vendor

will be selected for next summer. Greg Duhl does not appear.

# 3. SWEARING IN: AMEENA LANGFORD AND MATTHEW OVERCAST.

#### 4. ROLL CALL

	Representative		
President	Dare Sims		
Vice President	Martha Johnson		
Treasurer	Kayla Ladson		
Secretary	Paola Maldonado		
At-Large	Nicole Knight Schrupp		
ABA	Jennifer Drysdale		
1L Section Rep 1	Rachel Bakke		
1L Section Rep 2	Tanner Daniel BincZakUA		
1L Section Rep 3	Chloee Sagmoe		
1L Blended Section 1	McKaia Dykema EA		
1L Blended Section 2	Ameena Langford		
1L Blended Section 3	Amy Huo		
2L Day (Seat 1)	Thar Jor'dan		
2L Day (Seat 2)	Myranda Sandberg		
3L Day Rep	Noah Reutzel		
3L Evening Rep	Kelly Chandler		
EJD Cohort 2	Melanie Finley UA		
EJD Cohort 3	Matthew Overcast		

Hybrid Cohirt 5	Ursula Hirsch	
Hybrid Cohort 6	Keaston Julian	UA
Blended Section 1	Joe Schultz UA	
Blended Section 2	Tori Collins	
Blended Section 3	Brandy Kizer	
4L Weekend	Ryan Puchreiter	
Judicial Council	Catie Kleindl	
	Jay Henderson UA	
	April Aylesworth	

# 5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

a. Nicole moves, Brandi seconds. Motion carries approving the agenda.

#### 6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

a. Brandi moves, Nicole seconds. Motion carries approving October minutes.

## 7. OFFICER REPORTS

- President
  - Attended DEI retreat and they share the same view of anti-rascism that SBA has.

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- o Barristers Ball planning soon.
- Vice President
  - Updates members on Leadership Council meetings and invites us to forums.
- Treasurer
  - o Updates members on Ways and Means Committee.
- Secretary
  - No updates.
- At-Large Representative

- Updates members on section meetings progress.
- ABA Representative
  - Updates members on ABA releasing recorded virtual hours for 1L curriculum.

# 8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Election
- Ways and Means
  - Kayla updates that committee will start reviewing and approving spring budget requests after finals to ensure student organizations have budgets by the start of spring semester.
- Culture and Diversity
  - Thar updates on meetings with faculty continue, questions implementation of anti-racism.
- Bylaws
  - Ursula updates bylaws were broken into sections and sent to members. Plan to meet mid-January.

# 9. NEW BUSINESS

# a. REP REPORTS (2 MINS)

		Report
1L Section Rep 1	Rachel Bakke	No meeting completed, cancelled for STARS.
		Plans on second Tuesday in December, out to
		students in December.
1L Section Rep 2	Tanner Daniel BincZak	
1L Section Rep 3	Chloee Sagmoe	Expresses concerns with legal methods class readings and evaluation. Stress with final exams schedules; her section thought exams were too close together.
1L Blended Section 1	McKaia Dykema	
1L Blended Section 2	Ameena Langford	Had section meeting last Friday. Expresses
		concerns with LARC; didn't learn IRAC until after

		<ul> <li>posts. Prof is great, adjuncts need to do better.</li> <li>Grades were late; unknown expectations, and lack of feedback. The class is one size fits all.</li> <li>Prep week/capstones; daily briefings lack briefing aspects. Suggest to schedule orgs or others.</li> </ul>
		Special chairs for those with ADHD.
1L Blended Section 3	Amy Hou	Adds to comment on LARC having missed opportunities.
2L Day (Seat 1)	Thar Jor'dan	Concerns with professors' programs to lockdown open notes. DEI and anti-racism not being implemented into classrooms as prof made inappropriate comments during class.
2L Day (Seat 2)	Myranda Sandberg	
3L Day Rep	Noah Reutzel	Not much to report.
3L Evening Rep	Kelly Chandler	Plans on meeting with deans about future semesters.
EJD Cohort 2	Melanie Finley	
EJD Cohort 3	Matthew Overcast	Concerns about course offerings not being available to those who are getting ready to graduate like bar courses. Not having access to traditional courses especially for those in upper class. Has reached out to other sections to see if they have the same issue.
Hybrid Cohort 5	Ursula Hirsch	<ul> <li>No section meeting yet. Winter commencement changed; town hall regarding commencement has added extra stress. Would like winter commencement.</li> <li>Expresses concerns on grading policies not following syllabus; would prefer deadlines to be Sunday at 11:59 than Saturday for those who work. Evaluations are before finals, deadline should be extended to after finals.</li> </ul>
Hybrid Cohort 6	Keaston Julian	
Blended Section 1	Joe Schultz	
Blended Section 2	Tori Collins	Concerns with registration issues and having to wait to register due to priority issue. Having to wait for grades for one month even though assignments build on one another.
Blended Section 3	Brandy Kizer	Concerns with limited access to blended courses. Feels like second class students due to registration

		process. Students required to take bar courses even though they are in non-UBE states. No tolerance for late discussion posts in class even when someone had an actual 911 emergency. Administration is not looking into it.
4L Weekend	Ryan Puchreiter	No grievances to report. Prefers outdoors for graduation.

#### **10. OPEN FORUM (2:00 MINUTES PER COMMENT)**

- a. Students: Suggest implicit biases training in general for all.
- b. Dean LeMoine says trauma care courses will be added to curriculum later.
- c. Student: Echoes concerns about availability options. A student is having to fly in every weekend to take bar prep course to be able to graduate.
- d. Dean Hilbert: Recognizes registration issues. Added more bar prep courses since more people wanted to take them. Email him with any issues. Encourages people to waitlist as that gives faculty an idea of what courses should be added. Also looking into adding bar tested courses in addition to the bar prep courses.
- e. Student: Reports overlaps in schedules for prep and capstones weeks that may not even be an overlap or conflict at all. Has received less than professional responses about it.
- f. Student: Professors and other schools saying we are not the best school and looking down on us.
- g. Student: Reports issues with LARC and school is not taking any action.
- h. Student: Events being held during day and blended students not being able to attend. Uses 1<sup>st</sup> Generation Attorney event at 1pm as an example. Would like to see events in the afternoon for blended students.

- Dean Hilbert: Bring comments regarding being looked down as a school to Dean LeMoine and Dean Niedwiecki.
- j. Student: Blended didn't have many course options for the following semester.Doesn't care about other schools talking about us; grow and glow.
- k. Student: Comments on disheartening racist comments made by professors.

# **11. ADJOURNMENT**

- a. No meeting in December, reconvene in January.
- b. Rachel moves, Brandy seconds. Motion carries adjourning meeting.