

**MITCHELL HAMLIN SCHOOL OF LAW
NOVEMBER 2022 SBA MEETING MINUTES
Start Time: 7:33 End Time: 8:30**

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL

	Representative	
President	Jennifer Drysdale	P
Vice President	Brandy Kizer	P
Treasurer	Marilyn Solano	P
Secretary	Reen Reinhardt	P
At-Large	Scott Bryson	P
ABA	Thomas Bowen	P
1L BAM Sec. 1	Madeline Hertaus	P
1L BAM Sec. 2	Parker Vegemast	P
1L BAM Sec. 3	Braxton Wheeler Thomas	P
1L Blended Sec. 1	Anna Downing	P
1L Blended Sec. 2	Erika Weisdorfer	UA
1L Blended Sec. 3	Emma Burgher	EA
2L BAM Rep	Rachel Bakke	P
2L Blended Sec. 1	Shawn Waltz	P
2L Blended Sec. 2	Marquis Hines	P
2L Blended Sec. 3	Elliot Culp	UA
3L BAM Rep	Elizabeth Ogunkanbi	EA
3L Blended Sec. 1	Joe Schulz	P
3L Blended Sec. 2	Tori Collins	P
3L Blended Sec. 3	Gretchen Stankewitz	UA
4L BAM Rep	Sylvester Rahim	UA
4L Blended Rep	Clarissa Smith	EA
Judicial Council	Catie Kleindl	P
	Abdur Amin	EA
	Jared Munster	UA

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

- a. Reen motions, Brandy seconds. Motion carries approving agenda.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

- a. Reen motions, Scott seconds. Motion carries approving minutes.

5. OFFICER REPORTS

- President
 - Student Services Dept has made it known that the prayer room has moved to make it more accessible to students. It's now on the first floor across the hall from Academic Excellence. They're also in the process of creating a prayer room in the library and will let me know when that spot has been chosen.
 - We're creating the faculty student org fair for the spring, trying to make it during prep week but we know that's already jampacked. Just want to provide an informal opportunity to meet professors.
- Vice President
 - No leadership council meeting this month, nothing else to report.
- Treasurer
 - Gift Card Policy
 - If anyone has questions about gift cards let Mari know, or send Brittany Johnson questions.
- Secretary
 - Nothing major to report. Last month's minutes will be posted tonight like usual.
- At-Large Representative
 - Curriculum Committee approved a new London summer course on International Environmental Law.
 - Everyone remember to host your section meeting!

- ABA Representative
 - Academic Student Affairs Committee is trying to find a way to correct some course offerings. I lobbied about how we have limited time to do certain courses due to when they're offered (fall/spring), so I've been advocating for more flexibility in courses.

6. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- Bylaws - Jen
 - Pushing first meeting to January since it's not urgent.
- Ways and Means - Mari
 - In the process of getting together.
- Culture and Diversity - Mari
 - Had our first meeting yesterday.
 - Defined what our goals will be and we will continue supporting the student body and orgs through culture and diversity.
- Health and Wellness - Reen
 - We have had our first meeting, working on scheduling our second. It sounds like we'll be working on trying to uplift and maintain the current wellness measures in place at Mitchell while also trying to see what gaps need to be filled. We'll also be helping to plan Wellness Week with the Wellness Committee and Brittany Johnson. Dean LeMoine also mentioned that if any students want to participate in the Wellness Newsletter, it goes out monthly (submission date was today) and you can write an article or send in songs, recipes, apps, or other tips and tricks you use for your wellness and

mindfulness habits, and all students are welcome to submit things, not just our committee.

- Alumni Relations - Jen
 - Had two students mention in our last meeting that they were interested, but want to confirm I have the right people before I start connecting with the board of trustees, etc. Send me a private chat if you're interested in being on that committee. We're looking into building the mentorship program back up and networking programs throughout the country. If you're interested let me know.

7. NEW BUSINESS

a. CAMPAIGN ASSESSMENT

b. STUDENT RANKINGS

- a. Dean meetings brought up whether students like the current ranking system and whether we need to change it/what the preference is. Some law schools don't put rankings on transcripts unless requested or have aa process where if an employer is requesting rank, they call the law school to confirm.
- b. We're also looking at whether students like seeing ranking at the end of the semester. Administration is concerned about the focus on rankings when it is based on your hours and not your year, so it's not proportioned the way students think. What are your thoughts?
 - i. Joe asked about FERPA violation
 - 1. Jen said that sending transcripts gives permission which waives FERPA.
 - ii. Anna asked for a type up of this to send out to cohort.

1. We'll send out and it will be like options but not limited.

c. BARRISTER'S BALL

a. Confirmed date for Saturday, March 25, 2023. More information will be released with time, this is all we have confirmed at the moment. This is really the only date that works. Once we confirm venue, we will release what ticket sales will be like to ensure everyone can get their ticket, and we're hoping students can bring dates.

d. REP REPORTS (2 MINS)

	Representative	Report
1L BAM Sec. 1	Madeline Hertaus	Had our section meeting today, went well. Biggest concern was that they haven't hired a property professor yet and one of the students found the job posting and we're only offering minimum wage for the professor and we're now concerned about the quality of the professor. Jen said this may be because it's an adjunct position, but we'll follow up on that.
1L BAM Sec. 2	Parker Vegemast	Nothing pressing. We also had our section meeting on the 8 th , really good showing.
1L BAM Sec. 3	Braxton Wheeler Thomas	We had our meeting on Monday. My section asked whether it's possible in bad weather for students to join class via Zoom. And tomorrow we're doing a Friendsgiving. Jen said to ask Academic Affairs about the Zoom option, Reen also recommended discussing with a professor individually.
1L Blended Sec. 1	Anna Downing	We had our cohort meeting during Capstone.
1L Blended Sec. 2	Erika Weisdorfer	
1L Blended Sec. 3	Emma Burgher	

2L BAM Rep	Rachel Bakke	We're all studying for finals and taking notes.
2L Blended Sec. 1	Shawn Waltz	Our section has a few concerns regarding the availability of adjuncts, their lack of responding to email, and the inconsistency between adjuncts for the same course in interpreting assignments, requirements, and assessments. Reen recommended discussing with either Academic Affairs or with the professor whose adjuncts they are.
2L Blended Sec. 2	Marquis Hines	Capstone was great, just prepping for finals.
2L Blended Sec. 3	Elliot Culp	
3L BAM Rep	Elizabeth Ogunkanbi	
3L Blended Sec. 1	Joe Schulz	We had our meeting during capstone. First time we saw each other in person, nice and friendly. Several people getting ready to graduate in December and others in May. They had graduation questions and I sent them to Academic Affairs.
3L Blended Sec. 2	Tori Collins	Got a lot of feedback from students that participated in OCIs, seems like there's a lot lacking from that experience, the coordination of the actual interviews, not knowing the actual logistics. Biggest complaint was little to no feedback received. Also had students concerned with the amount of work required outside of Capstone during that week. Also, bar prep classes are waitlisted and people are concerned about it.
3L Blended Sec. 3	Gretchen Stankewitz	
4L BAM Rep	Sylvester Rahim	
4L Blended Rep	Clarissa Smith	

8. OPEN FORUM (2 MINUTES PER PERSON)

- a. Brandy: Competitions Committee and Clinics Committee

- i. They meet on Wednesdays in the middle of the day, and I can't do those due to my work schedule. If anyone is interested in doing it at all, it's via Zoom, please email me. We really want better student representation there.

9. ADJOURNMENT

- a. Reen motions, Scott seconds. Motion carries adjourning meeting.