SBA Minutes:

I. Speakers trust — Motion to approve the new members and president  
   A. Motion passes.

II. Meeting minutes  
   A. Minutes approved.

III. Officer reports  
   A. President  
      1. Congratulate new 1L reps.  
      2. Parking in Carlisle. New parking lot is being paved this week and 
         will be open next week. No fee. Hopefully there will be no further 
         capacity problems and fee assessments will be evaluated for the 
         future.  
      3. Barrister’s Ball — a formal event at Comfort Suites. Formerly run 
         by CJS, now the SBA will take over the running of it. We will put 
         together a committee for the planning.  
         Please encourage people to buy $10 tickets. They are half for 
         charity.
   B. VP  
      1. Clothing drive to go for ABA goal of helping youth at risk. LLSA 
         is already doing it at Carlisle so it will just be at the UP campus.
   C. Secretary  
      1. Role — all are present except:  
         a. Aaron Acker  
         b. Lance  
         c. Rebecca Beach  
      2. There is a quorum

IV. Committees  
   A. Hope to have active and vocal committees.  
   B. All chairs should meet or contact their committees.

V. Public Comment  
   A. Crystal West — Dean’s email about parking — we should not be charged 
      this whole school year.  
      1. Only will be charged if the added spots are still not enough.
   B. Printing fee. Right now there isn’t one, hopefully there won’t be one. At 
      UP, most Penn State students are charged, but we should not have charges 
      at either campus
   C. Crystal — SPAM — John Davie is working on the email and SPAM 
      problems constantly. It is hard to have a perfect system.
1. Talk to classmates about reporting false positives on spam. Filters may block a lot of legitimate emails.

VI. New Student groups
   A. Penn State Blue & White Society.
      2. Debate — none.
      3. Approved with one abstention.
   B. Student Health Law Association
      1. Change name to organization. A group of students finding out about health law. will work with the national organization with an affiliation.
      2. Networking opportunities, mentors, jobs, Dean Gatter will be advisor.
      3. Debate none.
      4. Approved with one abstention.

VII. About the budget
   A. Ryan — We ask the dean for money from the discretionary fund, and we got a 40% increase, money from last year gets carried over. We have to divide the money among all organizations, and budget committee allocates, meeting with each e-board of the groups. The budget committee sent out recommendations, but we must still approve the budget as a group. Group leaders are invited to be present to ask for a higher or lower allocation. We will go through each group, but vote on the budget as a whole. Thanks to Mo and the committee. <<applause>>
   B. What is total amount of money available to the SBA?
   C. SBA discretionary fund for later when funding issues arise. About $5000. we are saving this for later. The money is our student activity fees, rollover from last year and dean’s discretionary fund.
   D. Organizations requested $75G but we had $39 G to give out, so everyone got their budget cut. Allocating was a difficult task.
   E. Organizations give an itemized request for food decoration etc. budget guidelines tell what we can give funds for and what is not allowed.

VIII. ACLU
   A. 40 members, pretty active. Cool to see how active our campus is. ACLU is considered a small organization and will get less $ for general meetings. Their budget was on time and they gave a good idea of what they wanted to do.
   B. Change meeting 6 by 5 dollars; miscalculation.

IX. ADR — Alternative Dispute Resolution
   A. Budget is large because they have 2 publications. Students are invited to write for it. Not a regular law journal, so SBA foots the bill.
   B. Did they seek any alternative means of funding their publication? They went through a long process to find the cheapest way to do it. It is really
important for students to be published, and we have a great adr program at our school.

C. Speaker reception. They asked for more than they got. Generally, how does this work? We look at priorities, and ask groups to prioritize. They didn’t know who would be speaking. Groups can also ask the speaker’s trust for speaker funding. Groups should co-sponsor events.

X. ALDF — Animal Legal Defense Fund
A. Small organization
B. Pet parade, wine and cheese
C. We are not allowed to award trophies or certificates, so they did not get this funded
D. New faculty at widener who is teaching animal law. Animal law is a larger field than we think. Wine and cheese to welcome this prof.
E. Small corrections in the numbers.

XI. Amnesty International
A. Small organization, they collect dues, they already had Thai dinner and was well attended. Movie night, humanitarian films. Didn’t have a good idea for speaker and wine and cheese. Wanted to invite an immigration atty to speak about jobs in the field.
B. Fair trade chocolate — not approved.
C. Hip hop for human rights.
D. Shipping costs were paid out of pocket last year, and they were allocated this money this year. It is part of the spirit of the organization.
E. Gas money is usually not paid.

XII. ANTS
XIII. APALSA Asian Pacific
A. Lunar new year was a well attended event that will be put on this year too. They do not have a place lined up but when they figure it out they can ask for more funding. We cannot allocate money right now because it is not specific enough yet.
B. Prioritized and cut a movie night. They could reallocate if they want to.
C. Team building could be done at a general meeting
D. No specific speaker was invited. They are encouraged to ask for more money when they have a better idea of what they are going to do.
E. Some items were excluded because they did not give an itemized budget. If they come back with an itemized budget, money can come out of the discretionary fund to get more money.
F. Why do they get more money for meetings? We cut their team building events, so general meetings will be used for team building. also they have a big group that attend meetings. We foresaw that budget would not be set in stone.
G. MLSA dinner is well attended and organizations co-sponsor it. We go off the budget from last year to see how much is needed.
H. Taisha speaks about MLSA event.

XIV. Conferences — where will funding come from? Talk to Doris Orner to see if it has been approved by the Dean still talk to Tamara Storey to find out the details.
XV. BLSA
   A. A very active organization with 50 members, $20 membership fees. They have national dues of $1000.
   B. Multi cultural dinner, BLSA is co-sponsoring.
   C. General meetings
   D. MLK day, a very important event goes to the spirit of what we are doing in law school.
   E. Black History month.
   F. Movie night
   G. Poetry cipher
   H. Portraits
   I. Prioritizing costs
   J. University Park gets less because there is more going on there in general and there are less law students
   K. 3-on-3 hoop it up. Didn’t make the cut
   L. Monte carlo- concern about where it will be held. Fees for games should offset the cost.
   M. For speaker, they need more information in order to allocate funds.

XVI. Question from Andrew- how will it work for the dual campuses, and are groups taking into account getting UP students involved in law school events.

XVII. Wayne Boomer’s Statement
   A. Thanking committee for their work, and acknowledging tough choices. BLSA submitted budget on time, complied with regulations. Importance of specific events. Black History month — one month of 12 where Af-Am achievements are acknowledged. Poetry cipher was possible last year. Dance performance is a cultural event, originates from African tribes. Only $405 was given for both campuses. Non-funding of 2 main events, poetry and dance, which are important to history month.
   B. General meetings were standing room only, and over spent what they were allocated. Those seeking membership was unprecedented. BLSA may be the biggest organization
   C. Source of income — dependent on SBA for funding. Dues go to national and regional organizations. Dues are a lot.
   D. Events are open to everyone. Inclusive of many ethnicities, committed to varied perspectives. Enthusiasm for inclusion.
   E. Seeks commitment to diversity. Full allocation for at least one campus so they can use some money for both. Minimum of 90 and 45 for general meetings.
   F. Asking for $635 for black history month. $90 for Carlisle x 3 meetings.
   G. Monte Carlo night.
   H. Money out of social budget to go to BLSA. $750. Ryan is willing to allocate this amount.
   I. Taisha — diversity events can get more money from Storey or administration. Dean Austin and McConnaghey have pots of money for diversity. Diversity calendar. Can we get into graduate funds.
   J. Ryan — proposal — We will give $750 from the social budget.
K. There is money in the social budget that is discretionary and all of the events will be ok.

XVIII. CLS
A. Small organization. Budget cut because one event people would not be in town for.

XIX. Delta Theta Phi
A. much of their budget was ineligible for funding
B. their organization is about to fold, so they are being treated as a new organization. They can come back for more money.
C. Why not have their budget be zero?
D. They can use funds to recruit, and they are anticipating initiating new members. They have a long history on campus.
E. They wanted the big tv to auction it off, but there is no way they could do this.

XX. Dickinson Democrats
A. It is an election year, a big year, they anticipate large participation.

XXI. Dickinson Republicans

XXII. Environmental Law Society

XXIII. Federalist Society
A. Gained membership this year.
B. Constitution Day — we thought it would be at UP. It already happened and nothing got done for it.

XXIV. Brent — we need to make sure that enough resources are going to the UP campus and that there is food at both campuses meetings. We need to make sure there is funding for UP. Very important point.
A. Ryan — these are the individual group leaders, not the SBA who are omitting programming for the UP campus.
B. Maureen — we are still building a presence at the UP campus for a lot of groups. SBA is happy to allocate funds.
C. Andrew — reality is that extra resources may not be available at the UP campus. Need to give an opportunity for the groups to be successful. Need transportation and telecasting.
D. Brent — need to make sure that money should go for meetings at both campuses.

XXV. ILS
A. Asked for a lot of money but couldn’t give a lot of it.
B. Brian Williams — One of the events that was cut was one which would help them secure more funding and contacts. Want to get contacts with the rest of penn state. Penn State Graduate students.
C. We are saving money for events like that.

XXVI. Intramurals
A. Wanted money for fields, insurance, other things not typically covered.
B. UP campus gets no benefit from the intramurals program. Maybe it should be fee based. They must pay out of pocket for intramurals. $35 total for one team. Might need a few hundred dollars a semester for intramurals at UP.
C. When Vantucci and Jimmy were looking into intramurals, they saw that there was an existing program at UP. We will reimburse whatever UP has to pay at their campus.

XXVII. Joint Degree Association
XXVIII. JLSA
XXIX. J. Reuben Clark
   A. Recruited 12 more students.
XXX. Law and Philosophy
XXXI. Legalese
   A. Needed enough copies.
XXXII. LLSA
   A. Good speaker planned, roller skating.
XXXIII. Men’s Rugby
   A. Cut medical supplies for 2nd and 3rd game.
   B. New york tournament. They said they would give us back $250 if we fund it, but we can’t. alumni game is well attended and fun.
XXXIV. MLSA
XXXV. Outlaw
   A. Students don’t always feel safe here, so they request money for safe zone stickers.
XXXVI. PAD
   A. 65 dues paying members.
XXXVII. PILF
   A. Need to make sure that PILF has funding for the UP silent auction. Ryan suggests taking money from the Social fund that is left over extra.
XXXVIII. Project Staff
   A. Habitat, BBBS. Chili cookoff.
XXXIX. SBA Social
   A. Is Barrister’s ball part of this?
   B. Bobbi-Sue — she can take some money from soiree, and come back for more money, and will sell tickets. Hopefully we will break even on this. There is some flex money and discretionary money.
   C. Fri nov 10 is Barrister’s Ball. We will promote it as best we can up at UP and at Carlisle. There is a lot of interest at UP
   D. The Halloween party time cannot be amended yet.
XL. SEALS
   A. They had a very reasonable budget, so we gave it to them.
XLI. Toastmasters
   A. Got a lot of new members and became part of the national organization.
XLII. Women’s Law Caucus
XLIII. Motion to approve budget, with changes including the $1500 each to BLSA and PILF.
   A. Passes with one abstention.
XLIV. New business.
   A. Discretionary fund request. Student has a proposal.
   B. Request for $500 for social event.
C. Blue and white society is sponsoring the event.
D. Will donate extra money for PILF. want to establish UP legal community, do not want to charge them.
E. Not through a specific group, just the students, and they hope to co-sponsor. We can look at transportation issue. There is still some confusion in the system.
F. Happy hour? They would like to host the people from Carlisle.
G. Matt — could this be an SBA event? Yes, this would be an SBA sponsored event. It is open to all students.
H. Motion to allocate $485. move from discretionary fund to this event.
   1. Motion passes unanimously.
XLV. Motion to adjourn.