**MEETING AGENDA**

**February 7, 2018
7:00 pm, WCC 2071**

**HLS Student Government**

**Student Council Meeting**

1. **Call to Order & Roll Call**
	1. Adam Savitt, Suzanne Schlossberg, Maseeh Moradi, Leilani Doktor, Jeremy Wertz, Jonathan Herzog, Ernesto Talamas, Melissa Mikail, Dan Bernick, Radhe Patel, Amy Feinberg, Megan Fitzgerald, Jared Lax, Amanda Lee, Amanda Chan, Sam Spearman, Matthew Slovin, Kate Weiner, Adam Smith, Maryam Ansari
2. **Voting in new 2L and 3L reps**
	1. 3L Rep
		1. Charlotte Robinson
			1. Yes – 12:0
	2. 2L Reps
		1. Matthew Slovin
			1. Yes – 12:0
		2. Kate Weiner
			1. Yes – 12:0
3. **General Announcements and Discussion**
	1. SG Elections for 2018-2019
		1. April 4th and 5th
		2. How to increase legitimacy
			1. Public relations
			2. Advertise our wins
			3. Run campaigns better
		3. Debate
			1. Pros
				1. Increase legitimacy/recognition
				2. Educate student body about what student government does and can do
				3. Forces candidates to articulate what they envision for the position
				4. Prevents popularity contest
				5. Doesn’t have to cost money
				6. Figure out ways to be inclusive within the debate
			2. Cons
				1. Could be a deterrent to people without leadership/SG experience
				2. Decrease diversity
				3. Not a good way to inform student body of what we’re doing
				4. Need to address legitimacy aside from debate
				5. Might come off as being too self-important and less open
				6. How do we ensure that the people who attend the debate aren’t just the friends of the candidates
				7. Would have to be careful that resources don’t come at the expense of other projects/activities
			3. Other ideas
				1. Debate with topics to highlight areas SG focuses on
				2. Public Forum

“Meet the candidates”

3-minute speeches and uniform set of questions

* + - * 1. Videotaped speeches
				2. Public event
	1. SG Logo
	2. Name Tag Policy
		1. Falling apart/ripping
		2. Some professors cold call if don’t have nametag
	3. Union Vote Discussion
		1. BSA is largest group of students that unionization would affect
			1. Meeting with Darshana tomorrow
		2. Meeting with Sachs
			1. Labor professor
		3. Thinking about doing a Q&A with both parties
			1. Written responses sent out to student body
			2. SG as an info-sharing role
				1. Want to be careful that we’re not biased toward one side
				2. Providing historical context could be a neutral way to provide helpful information
	4. New Org Process
	5. Upcoming Events: Halfway Thru Harvard, TALK
	6. Graduation Video
1. **Representative Updates/Announcements**
	1. Mental Health
		1. Mental Health Survey
			1. Need to take mental health survey data and do something with it
				1. Talking to DOS and Health Services to select what questions we have and what questions can drive policy changes
			2. Hoping within the next month will have results that will impact DOS programming
				1. Hope it will coincide with mental health awareness week
				2. Talk from the doctor involved, make recommendations, etc.
		2. How to prep for character and fitness
			1. Working with Mental Health Student Association
	2. Public Interest
		1. Bar Prep
			1. Got 15 more matches
			2. Still looking to match more students
		2. LIPP Coalition
			1. Met on the 27th to figure out demands, bargaining position for things to improve in LIPP
				1. Short term and long term goals
			2. Want to get more of the student body involved in a campaign to show administration that there is student support
		3. Public Interest Advising and Fellowship
			1. Met on Sunday
		4. Legislative Drafting Courses
			1. In talks to add these to the curriculum
	3. Events
		1. HTH
			1. 250 in ticket sales
			2. Will probably open to significant others
		2. 3L make up event
	4. Diversity and Inclusion
		1. LLM inclusion
			1. More JD turnout at LLM events
			2. LLM communication with JDs through reps
	5. Student Affairs
		1. Working on getting survey ready for ASW hosts
		2. Dining
			1. Make people aware that pub is open and serving food
	6. Orgs and Journals
		1. New Org Apps
			1. Considering adding an appeals process
		2. SFB Members App
			1. Is open
		3. New office space
			1. Unsure how many orgs will fit
			2. Application is going out
	7. 1L Reps
		1. Office hours
			1. First one was mostly exam questions
				1. How to get exams
				2. How to appeal grades
		2. Concerning note on WCC computer
	8. 2L Reps
		1. ASW
			1. Diversity
			2. Host matching
			3. Talks
		2. Section Reunion Funds
		3. First Gen Group
			1. Similar to Supero
			2. Funding by DOS outside of normal funding structure
			3. Meeting tomorrow with DOS to talk about access and support
		4. Mental Health Service Providers
			1. Concerns driven by grades
			2. Can only see mental health provider two times per month
				1. No room for more access especially during more stressful times of the year
	9. Transfer Rep
		1. Graduation
			1. Will be recognized as Section 8
	10. LLM Reps
		1. Ping pong tables
			1. Current ping pong tables are unusable
			2. Trying to convince Jeff to put them somewhere students can use them
2. **Chairs: Events, Updates, Requests for Feedback**
3. **Adjournment**