SGA Meeting Minutes – July 27, 2011
5:30PM – 6:00PM; Conference Room, 6th floor of Lions Building

I. Meeting called to order by Danny Eads

II. Executive Board Reports
   a. Danny Eads – President
      i. Website
         1. The SGA website has been updated with the pictures and contact information for the new Exec Board.
            a. Don’t hesitate to call or e-mail any member of the Exec board with questions or concerns.
         2. The website will also be updated regularly with information about the school.
      ii. SAR
         1. We are in the process of updating the card access for the SAR. Some of the new officers haven’t been added yet. If you haven’t sent in updated Interest Group information, this must be done prior to receiving access to the SAR.
            a. The president and vice president of the interest group will get access to the SAR. Anyone else who needs access must contact Danny Eads and Joyce Muruthi.
         2. SAR Housekeeping
            a. Don’t throw food away in the garbage can in the SAR because it doesn’t get emptied frequently.
            b. The SAR is intended for groups to hold meetings and conduct business. It is not a study room. You can hold Exec board meetings and work but it’s not for school work. The same goes for the SGA Exec board meeting.
            c. To have an Exec meeting, e-mail Joyce and reserve the room.
            d. Some things will be moved around to allow for more space
      iii. LSU Board of Supervisors Scholarship
         1. The Board of Supervisors Scholarship is given annually. The Board asks each school to submit a student for consideration. The scholarship is open to any student. There is no application form; all that’s needed is a brief description of why you’re the best candidate. The form must be submitted to Ms. Bobbie by August 3rd. The scholarship is for about $2000 and the student be chosen by the Office of Student Affairs and members of the SGA Exec Board.
         2. The final decision regarding who gets the scholarship is made by the LSU Board of Supervisors.
   b. Renford Cindass - Executive Vice President
      i. Renford is away on rotation; Update given by Danny Eads
      ii. Family Day
         1. Family Day will be happening in the Spring. We’re waiting for the schedule for spring exam to schedule everything
   iii. Student Discounts
1. Renford and Daniel Logsdon are working on getting student discounts from heavily used restaurants in the area and some restaurants that deliver
2. In the next few weeks, an e-mail will go out asking for a few people from each class to help with putting together a list and contacting businesses.

c. Will Varnado – Community VP
   i. Community Service Events
      1. Last year, there were no events
      2. This year, there will be one with all Class Officers.
         a. This will be done through the New Orleans Mission.
      3. There will also be another school wide event.
         a. There’s been trouble with Habitat for Humanity because of logistics.
         b. The school wide event will also most likely be through the Mission. We’re working to schedule things while avoiding school events, but they do most of their projects during the weekday so that might pose a logistical problem.
4. Tiger Run
   a. Interest groups are a huge source of volunteers for Tiger Run.
   b. Interest Group presidents should be on the lookout for an e-mail regarding Tiger Run in December
   c. Danny Eads...1/2 the money raised from Tiger Run goes to the Homeless Clinic and the other half goes to the interest groups to help with service events.
      Participation in Tiger Run helps determine who gets the money.

ii. SLE
   1. Not a lot of rules will be changed
   2. The main goal is to keep people updated. The biggest complaint is about keeping people updated regarding what activity counts for what.
   3. The first part of this will be keeping up the website because it’s a great source for keeping people updated.
   4. As soon as SLE meets, an e-mail will go out to let people know the site has been updated.

d. Laura Shoemaker– Social Affairs VP
   i. Tubing-August 13th
      1. Ochsner School of Medicine has invited Tulane and LSU Med Students to go tubing in Franklinton at 11:00am.
      2. Anyone interested may participate. This is not an SGA sponsored event. Contact Laura for more information.
   ii. Back to School Party- August 20th
      1. 80’s themed party at The Republic with a cover band called Prom Date
      2. Tickets are $8 for LSU Med Students and $12 for everyone else; We’ll also invite Ochsner and Tulane Med Students.
   iii. Student Musical Showcase- October 14th
      1. This will happen in place of the SGA Happy Hour at Southport Hall
   iv. Ideas can be e-mailed to Laura Shoemaker.

e. Carolyn Davis– Student Health VP
   i. Insurance Premiums
      1. Insurance premiums have gone up and so has the deductible. E-mail Carolyn with any questions
   ii. Recycling
      1. Recycling in the city is free now so this might be worth starting up.
f. Lauren Hayes – Technology VP
   i. Lauren is on rotation in Lafayette- Update given by Danny Eads
   ii. **Student Technology Fee**
       1. Some money has been used to help Aesculapian with the transition from computer to paper survey
       2. Contact Lauren or Danny if you feel like something on campus could benefit from Tech fees.
          a. Previous purchases include staplers and hole punchers, printers, MD Consult, and New Innovations software.
   iii. **MD Consult**
       1. Students have said they’re not using MD Consult as much. LSUHSC provides Up to Date. People in 3rd and 4th year use Up to Date almost daily instead of MD Consult.
       2. We have MD Consult purchased for 5 concurrent user licenses meaning only 5 people can use it simultaneously. We’re trying to get a feel for how many people actively use MD Consult and whether it’s worth switching over to Up To Date.
          a. Dr. Figueroa
             i. Up to Date is a good resource
          b. We’re going to try and encourage people to use Up to Date; maybe this would make the transition to 3rd and 4th year later.
          c. Some concerns - Up to Date requires you to either be on campus or on Citrix. MD Consult only requires a link. An e-mail will be coming from Lauren Hayes
          d. Concern regarding ePocrates
             i. Can the e-mail be re-forwarded out for the whole year?
g. Jason Gray – Treasurer
   i. No new announcements
h. Joyce Muruthi – Secretary
   i. Joyce is in Lafayette on rotations- Update given by Danny Eads
   ii. **SAR**
       1. Talked about earlier
   iii. **Weekly Updates**
       1. Send everything to be included in the Weekly update by Friday before the Weekly Update
iv. **Meetings**
   1. Interest Group meeting scheduling is done through the SGA Website. Everything is electronic.
   2. Once the meeting is approved, you can request a room from the LSUHSC website. There’s a link on the SGA website.
   3. There can only be two meetings on the same day.
v. **Website**
   1. There’s a webpage hosted by the SGA for each group. Each group is encouraged to use the site. Send a Word Document to Lauren with whatever you want on your page.
i. Blake Raggio – Intramurals Chair
   i. Intramurals will start soon
j. Kyle McMullen – L4 President
   i. Unique characteristics paragraph is due August 1st along with CV and personal statement.
   ii. Dr. D will start meeting with 4th years and give class rank and discuss the MSPE
      1. Class rank is given using H/HP/P/F so the best the school can do is quartile
2. The MSPE is done according to AAMC guidelines and consist of the ranking by preclinical courses and clinical courses, and formal written evaluations from clerkships and a summary paragraph. This is objective and is an evaluation not a recommendation. There’s also a histogram that shows your performance against everyone else.

k. Clark Alsfeld – L3 President
   i. Clark is in Lafayette on Rotation- update given by Danny Eads
   ii. **Scoop 11/2**
      1. Has been distributed to the Class of 2014.
      2. Many thanks to everyone who worked together to get that done.

l. Daniel Logsdon – L2 President
   i. White Coat Ceremony is 7/30/2011. Be there on time.

m. Marie Tan - Yearbook Chair
   i. **Yearbook**
      1. Approval and funding from the school is pending.
      2. A hard drive and SD cards have been ordered.
      3. There will also be a team of photographers available for the school and Interest Groups to use: E-mail Marie if you have an event that needs to be photographed.
      4. Pictures will be posted on the SGA website.
      5. Marie will be there for White Coat Ceremony and pictures will be posted on the SGA Website.

III. Office of Student Affairs – Dr. Delcarpio
   a. Welcome to all the new members and welcome back to all the old members. It’s important that everyone has stepped up to the plate.
   b. **White Coat**
      i. Saturday 7/30/11 at Holy Cross and will be live streamed online at holycrosstigers.com
      ii. This is a change of venue from Xavier University- we’ve outgrown Xavier.
   c. **STEP 1**
      i. At the end of 2nd year, students will be required to take a practice test by the NBME.
      ii. This year, no one took a STEP exam without passing an NBME practice test.
         1. Results: Class of 2013 averaged a 228. 92 people scored above a 230. That’s more than double last year’s score.
         2. The results show that the practice test helps raise scores. Most students this year took other practice tests in addition to the NBME practice test.
   d. **Intranet**
      i. When you’re on the LSU intranet, the clock is running. Someone was locked out this year who had made the top 20 list as a freshman, sophomore, and violated it again as a 3rd year. You get kicked off the net for 30 days.
      ii. The biggest violations occur when you’re in the dorm, in the atrium, and leave the browser on the bandwidth is just ticking.
      iii. Active send issues
         1. If you have an iPhone operating on an older system, you may be tying up the software in the hospital when using Cliq. Upgrade your iPhone to the newest software.
         2. Make sure that when you’re checking patient records, you don’t download all the videos to the desktop of the Citrix server. There’s only one Citrix server so be aware of what you’re downloading.
   iv. **Phones/Tablets/Offline**
1. Starting 8/1/11, if you log into the LSU Network via mobile device, you must have the mobile device password protected.
2. The software will be pushed from the server and if you’re not password protected, the school will not let you sync or use the network.
3. You will have 10 attempts to get the password in and then the software will delete the data on your phone.
4. The Murdoch hacking scandal got the attention of the IT people on the main campus and the concern regarding access to patient information and financial information.

v. **Alumni Awards**
1. The Alumni Association gives out awards. The awards are given by the Alumni Association. On Friday 7/29, the Association will give out wards in the SLC. Awards will be given out twice a year.
2. The caveat to the awards is that if you have financial aid, you only get the money if you don’t have student aid or if you’re in your overpay range. Otherwise, it just comes off your fee bill.

IV. General Student Announcements/Concerns/Open Forum

   a. New Business
      i. Ethikos Introduction
         1. The goal of Ethikos is to introduce students to a broader view of medicine via expert discussions and journaling on the dynamic entities of healthcare
         a. We will have 2-3 symposiums per semester where we invite a physician, nurse, attorney, ethicist, theologian, etc. to give (5-10 min) presentations on a particular case study
         b. We will encourage students, residents, and faculty to participate in narrative journaling about their medical career experiences
      2. There are approximately 20 members and almost all the officers are filled. There’s faculty interest from LSUHS and also from Loyola.
      3. Questions:
         a. How is your idea different from SPM other than the journaling
            i. This is an opportunity for 5-6 minds to come together and discuss nuances where as SPM comes strictly from a health professional perspective.
         b. Has there been contact made with Loyola Law?
            i. Contact has been made with Loyola law and there seems to be a really good partnership forming.
            ii. Danny Eads is leaving on an away rotation. Contact Renford Cindass with any questions and also feel free to e-mail Danny as well.

V. Meeting Adjourned by Danny Eads

**In Attendance:**
SGA President – Danny Eads
Executive VP –
Community VP –
Social VP – Laura Shoemaker
Student Health VP – Carolyn Davis
Technology Chair –
Treasurer –
Secretary –
Intramural Chair – Blake Raggio
Yearbook Chair – Marie Tan
L4 Class President – Kyle McMullen
L3 Class President –
L2 Class President – Represented by Randy Sorge
L1 Class President –
AAMC –
Aesculapian Society – Julie Gallois
AMA –
AMSA – Kaitlen Sicard
AIG – Patrick Torres
AOA –
APAMSA – Kim Dinh
CMDA – Daniel Carpenter
CORE – Oscar Shoenfelt
CSA – Bradley Fossier
DIG – Lindsay Lasseigne
Edgar Hull – Ryan Estaris
ENTIG – Daniel Noel
EMIG –
FMIG – Emily Buser
HOIG – Rachel Fabacher
Homeless Clinic – Jaren Kennedy
MPIG –
OBIG – Brittani McClain
OIG – Aimee Coscarat
OSIG – Sean Rider
PARSIG – Victoria Givens
PIG – Rayne Faucheux
Protégés – Tara Castellano
RIG – Rockne Hymel
Rural Medicine – Alex Courville
SIG – Chris Bankhead/ David Kilpatrick
SIGMA – Ruston Sanchez
SIGNNS – Ashley Veade
SIHO – Rhea Vidrine
SMILE Catey Batte
SNMA – Joshua Oliver
UIG –
WIM – Jolisha Eubanks

David Impastato
Jennifer Bouso
Lexy Morvant
Jack DePaolo