

## SBA Meeting Minutes

### November 7, 2019

- Dean Landrieu introduces President Tetlow
- President Tetlow discusses the power and good you can do with a law degree
  - Q&A session
    - Does Loyola have anything planned to boost voter registration?
      - Yes, there are things planned by on-campus groups. Trying to get everyone to vote.
      - We can do it here in the BAC again.
      - Poll watching opportunities too.
    - Accreditation financial audit updates?
      - Loyola went through an enrollment downturn due to a financial aid adjustment. This was at the same time that legal education classes went down. Took a few years to restore good enrollment numbers. To deal with this, Loyola spent a large amount of their endowment, leading to the accreditation probation. In December, they will either be kept on probation for another year (depending on the budget) or be taken off it. A notice will be sent out with the decision to students and staff.
    - Evening students worrying about the small size of their class, curious about how to connect communities (low income, law students) and get the word out in the future?
      - There is real opportunity for this, i.e. online classes.
      - The model has changed, people can work different hours and places, so the model for night students is trying to evolve to match this.
    - How can we increase transparency about scholarships and financial aid?
      - Largest item in our budget, can't make it overwhelmingly large. We have great alumni and fundraising efforts. It was difficult last year with the budget issues and because incoming scholarships were higher.
    - How do we get Loyola undergrads to come to Loyola law?
      - A unique experience where an undergrad student took a law class via a professor's recommendation.
      - Think we can do better communicating to undergrads.
      - Can maybe create a mock trial program.
      - Combine similar clubs or hold joint events/programs.
      - Connection between music industries program and the law school.
    - Concern over bridging the gap between main campus and the law school.
      - Efforts have been made, specifically Sodexo.
    - Any incentives in place to continue to bridge that gap?
      - Currently trying to re-imagine food on both campuses.
      - A lot of engagement between the staffs.
      - Distance can be annoying for those who often have to travel to the other campus, but cannot really help that.
      - Connection to main campus through services available there - counseling, etc. We can bring some people over here but their hours are very limited - capacity issue. People have come over for the 1Ls, might need to remind upper class students of these resources.
      - Deans want everyone to know that we can contact them if we are worried about someone we can reach out to them as well as the counselors and 24 hour line that the school offers.
      - All resources at the main campus are available to law students as well.
    - Irrelevant main campus email problems