



Undergraduate Student Government Judicial Council Minutes for October 7, 2004

I. Interim Chief Judge Flynn called the meeting to order at 4:35pm.

II. Attendance

A. Interim Chief Judge Flynn and Judge Natanson Attended

III. Business

A. Review/Approve Agenda

-Interim Chief Judge Flynn proposed one change making 4.0 Vote on whether or not the Judicial Council will be the sole reviewers of the constitutions of clubs and organizations.

-The Agenda stood approved

B. Vote on permanent Chief Judge and Associate Chief Judge

-Interim Chief Judge Flynn and Judge Natanson agreed that it doesn't make sense to sit there and divvy up the two positions between the both of them since one can say they want a position and the other can say that they want the same position. Interim Chief Judge Flynn and Judge Natanson questioned whether or not power should be invested solely with the Judicial Council to appoint the ranks of Chief Judge and Associate Chief Judge.

C. Approve all Judiciary Documents

-Both Interim Chief Judge Flynn and Judge Natanson reviewed all 8 documents and made changes to them as well as deciding that all three Amicus Curiae Brief Drafting Guidelines documents were void along with the Submission of Grievance document.

-Interim Chief Judge Flynn and Judge Natanson approved the four remaining documents with their changes included.

-Interim Chief Judge Flynn and Judge Natanson also agreed to have a Judiciary vote on which member of the Judiciary will draw up new documents for petitions of the courts, for briefs, and for Amicus Curiae.

D. Vote on whether or not the Judicial Council will be the sole reviewers of the constitutions of the clubs and organizations

-Interim Chief Judge Flynn and Judge Natanson decided that in no way would the Judicial Council carry the burden of reviewing the constitutions.

-Interim Chief Judge Flynn and Judge Natanson reviewed Article VI section 1a and determined that general interpretation of the Judicial Council was that since it is impossible for even the Judiciary as a whole to review each and every Constitution that a review of the constitutions of the clubs and organizations is to take place when a case is brought before the Judicial Council.

E. Discuss the possibility of student lawyers

-Interim Chief Judge Flynn and Judge Natanson decided that there shall be a document for a Student Proxy.

-This will be used as a means of relieving all or some of the burden on the petitioner or respondent of searching for evidence and presenting a case to the courts.

F. Vote on whether or not to start office hours without the budget approved

-Interim Chief Judge Flynn and Judge Natanson approved the idea brought up by Chief Justice Vlad Frants during the Judiciary's first meeting of office hours by appointment based on the contact information that will be posted on the USG Blackboard Site.

IV. Open Agenda

-Interim Chief Judge Flynn and Judge Natanson agreed that there needs to be a series of Joint meetings of the Judiciary to discuss the documents and possible changes to the USG Constitution and USG By-laws.

V. Open Gallery

VI. Motion to adjourn

-The meeting was adjourned at 7:00pm