



# Washburn Student Bar Association

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## Meeting Information

Date: April 10, 2024

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: Room 151 AB

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## **WEEKLY MEETING AGENDA**

**April 10, 2024**

- I. Call to Order and Roll Call
- II. House Keeping Matters
  - a. Prior Meeting Minutes
  - b. Meeting Agenda
- III. Old Business
  - a. Bill No. 2324-13 Article VIII Amendment
  - b. Pending Bill 2324-15 Adoption of FY24-25 Proposed Budget
- IV. New Business
  - a. Bylaw Article 7 & 9 Drafts
  - b. Bill No. 2324-16 ABA Position Amendment
  - c. Bill No. 2324-17 Events Director Constitutional Amendment
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Adjournment

## **Amended Bill No. 2324-13**

### **An Act to Amend Article VIII of the WSBA Bylaws**

*Author(s): **Brittni Winter**, Vice President*

*Sponsor(s): **Emmy Winterhalter**, Secretary*

*Background:*

The Washburn Student Bar Association (WSBA) proscribes rules and regulations in which all WSBA recognized student organizations must abide by. This power is derived from Article X of the WSBA Constitution and Article VIII of the WSBA Bylaws.

*Legislative Notes:*

This bill seeks to amend Article VIII of the WSBA Bylaws.

Presented to the Governing Body of the Washburn Student Bar Association on April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2024, with a vote of:

*Ayes:*

*Nays:*

*Abstentions:*

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*Ryan Petersen*  
WSBA President

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*Brittni Winter*  
WSBA Vice President

## **An Act to Amend Article VIII of the WSBA Bylaws**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE  
WASHBURN STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

*Author(s): **Brittni Winter**, Vice President*

*Sponsor(s): **Emmy Winterhalter**, Secretary*

AN ACT

**Section 1.** The Washburn Student Bar Association shall hereby amend Article VIII of the WSBA Bylaws and replace it with the attached and below.

**Section 2:** Any WSBA policy, procedure, rule, or regulation, in whole or in part, in conflict with this Act shall be hereby repealed.

**Section 3.** This Act shall become effective immediately upon passage.

## **ARTICLE 8. STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS**

### **8.1 Student Organization Recognition.**

#### **8.1.1 Approval**

(a) Recognition of student organizations is the administrative responsibility of the Washburn Student Bar Association (WSBA) and shall be the responsibility of the Vice President.

#### **8.1.2 Privileges**

(a) Student organizations that meet all the required terms of the Registration Conditions and Registration Procedure, shall be granted recognized status, and are eligible for all privileges accorded to such groups.

### **8.2 Registration Procedure.**

#### **8.2.1 Recognized Student Organizations**

(a) A student organization will be recognized as an official "Recognized Student Organization" after they:

- i. Collect and submit a membership list of at least seven (7) students and
- ii. submit the "Recognition Application," along with any other information required, to the WSBA Vice President.

#### **8.2.2 Legislative Approval**

(a) Upon receipt of the membership list/petition and "Recognition Application," a bill shall be made by the WSBA Vice President to the WSBA Governing Body.

(b) The WSBA Governing Body shall approve the organization as a "Recognized Student Organization" by a simple majority vote.

#### **8.2.3 Appeals**

(a) Should recognition be refused; the student organization may appeal to the WSBA Executive Council in accordance with the following procedure:

- i. The student organization must submit a written appeal to the WSBA Vice President within ten (10) days after notification of refusal.
- ii. The WSBA Executive Council will review the appeal and may at their discretion request additional information from the student organization.
- iii. The WSBA Executive Council will notify the student organization of the decision to approve or deny the appeal.
- iv. The decision after appeal is final until the reason for denial is remedied or until the subsequent academic school year, whichever comes first.

### **8.3 Recognized Student Organization Guidelines: Post-Approval.**

#### **8.3.1 Maintaining Recognized Status**

(a) A student organization shall remain eligible for renewal status of "Recognized Student Organization" if they:

- i. Limit membership to students, faculty, staff and alumni of Washburn University School of Law.
- ii. Sustain an active membership of a minimum of seven (7) students at all times.
- iii. Adhere to all University regulations.

- iv. Submit an Annual Report that WSBA Vice President sends out in the Spring.
  - v. Adhere to WSBA constitution and bylaws.
- (b) The WSBA specifically reserves the right to review an organization's status at any time.

### **8.3.2 Student Organization Required Activities**

- (a) Every "Recognized Student Organization" shall:
- i. Conduct elections in the Spring of the academic year before the commencement of spring break.
    - a. Once complete the organization's former officer shall immediately inform the WSBA Vice President of the result.
    - b. An organization at minimum needs to have a president, a treasurer, an advisor, and seven (7) members.
  - ii. Hold regularly scheduled meetings; at least once per semester
  - iii. Hold at least one (1) event once per semester.
  - iv. Abide by the Washburn University and Washburn School of Law's rules and regulations.
  - v. Abide by the WSBA Constitution and Bylaws
  - vi. Abide by the organization's Constitution and Bylaws
  - vii. Maintain records including membership roster, budget, and constitution.
  - viii. Before April 1, organization's shall submit an "Organization Annual Report" to the Vice President of WSBA.
- (b) The Recognized Student Organization's President and Treasurer must attend the mandatory Organization President and Treasurer Meeting in both the Fall and Spring Semesters.

## **8.4 Lockers and Storage Space.**

### **8.4.1. Procedure**

- (a) Every "Recognized Student Organization" shall be entitled to storage space in the student organization room's locker and WSBA's storage room (room 151AB)
- (b) Each organization shall be limited to one locker and may be subject to sharing with another organization due to limited space.
- (c) WSBA Vice President upon a request from a student organization will assign a locker.
- (d) Locker code will be assigned from the Dean's office, with the Dean's Office, WSBA Vice President and Student organizations (and any one sharing) knowing the code.
- (e) Student organizations will inform WSBA Vice President of any items that are stored in the WSBA Closet.
- (f) Neither Washburn School of Law, WSBA nor the WSBA Vice President, is responsible for any lost or stolen student organization property not put in their assigned locker or labeled, if set outside or in the WSBA Closet.
- (g) The WSBA is not responsible for items left in any spaces student organizations use.
  - i. The student organization room is not locked and open to anyone entering.

- ii. The WSBA Closet is not locked and is open to anyone.

#### **8.4.2 Locker Management**

(a) The WSBA Vice President specifically reserves the right to manage the student lockers and WSBA storage room create any guidelines necessary to ensure the tidiness of the storage room.

#### **8.4.3 Exclusivity**

(a) The WSBA office is not to be used for storage for other student orgs

(b) All items bought with WSBA funds are considered the student body's property and should remain on campus. If an organization loses recognition, then any items purchased with WSBA funds shall be turned into WSBA Vice President

### **8.5. All-School Access Emails.**

#### **8.5.1 Generally**

(a) Registered Student Organizations are permitted to send "all-school emails" to promote the student organization and the student organization's events.

#### **8.5.2 Permissions**

(a) Students requesting access to "all-school emails" agree to only disseminate information about the student organization's programs and activities.

i. No more than two (2) emails maybe sent out via "all-school emails" for any single event.

a. A single event does not include a series of events within the umbrella of a major event; each event within the series of events counts as a single event.

ii. Violation of this policy may result in revocation of , by the Associate Dean for Student Affairs, of the representative's privilege to send "all-school emails."

#### **8.5.3 Exclusions**

(a) Section 8.5.2(a)(i) does not apply to correspondence emails generated weekly by WSBA.

### **8.6 Renewal of Registered Student Organization Status.**

#### **8.6.1 Automatic Renewal**

(a) The filing of the Organization Annual Report referred to in Section 8.3.2(a)(viii) will automatically renew your status as an organization recognized on campus if the student organization report consists of:

i. Number of meetings held during that school year

ii. Events hosted during that school year

iii. A list of Current Officers

iv. A list of Current Members

v. Naming the Organization's Faculty Advisor

vi. Providing the results from the Spring Election or imminent plan to hold elections

vii. Financial Needs and Status, including

a. Any Members Fees Collected

- b. WSBA Funding
- c. National Organization Funding
- d. Agency Accounts
- e. Other Outside Bank Accounts
- viii. A list of planned future events, if applicable.

### **8.6.2 Revocation of Recognized Status**

(a) Failure to submit the Annual Report by the end of the Spring Semester, or otherwise comply with the requirements of Section 8.7.2, will be grounds for immediate revocation of any Student Organization's recognized status.

## **8.7 Probation and Revocation**

### **8.7.1 Procedure**

(a) Any recognized student organization that fails to meet the requirements for renewal or violates this Article below shall be subject to probation and may be subject to revocation in accordance with the following procedure:

- i. WSBA Vice President notifies the organization directly that they are being placed on violation and why.
- ii. WSBA Vice President shall notify the Executive Council and the Governing Body of the organization being placed on probation, and why.
- iii. Failure to cooperate during a probation period will result in revocation.
- iv. If, after the probation period, the organization is not compliant, they shall be subject to revocation.
- v. WSBA Vice President will inform the organization, and the WSBA Governing Body of the revocation, the reasons why, and the steps taken to assist the organization if applicable.
- vi. The organization may appeal for a reversal of the Vice President's decision to the Governing Body by notifying the WSBA Vice President 10 days after being notified.
- vii. The WSBA Vice President shall present a bill to the Governing Body as soon as possible and shall notify the student organization of this meeting.
- viii. The organization shall be granted 10 minutes to defend their organization and appeal to the WSBA Governing Body why their status should not be revoked.
- ix. Reversing the Vice President's decision shall pass with a simple majority vote of the WSBA Governing Body.

### **8.7.2 Grounds for Immediate Revocation of Recognition**

(a) A Student Organization's status as a "Recognized Student Organization" shall be revoked immediately and without appeal upon:

- i. Violation of the Law School Honor Code
- ii. Interference with other students' rights to an opportunity to obtain an education
- iii. Federal, state, or local law
- iv. Engaging in discriminatory practices; or

v. Otherwise inhibiting, threatening, or significantly interrupting, the normal operation of Washburn University or the School of Law.

### **8.7.3 Failure to Submit an Annual Report**

(a) Failure to submit an annual report in accordance with Section 8.6 shall be grounds for immediate revocation with appeal. The student organization must show reasonable cause why they did not turn in any Annual report by the end of the Spring Semester.

### **8.7.4 Conditions of Probation**

(a) Conditions of any and all probationary periods for a Student Organization's failure to comply with any section of Article 8 that is not grounds for immediate revocation shall be set by the WSBA Vice President and include, but are not limited to:

- i. Scheduled and regular check-ins with the WSBA Vice President
- ii. Denial of additional funding requests without appeal; and
- iii. Any other requirements at the WSBA Vice President's discretion if the violation is beyond lack of compliance in accordance with Section 8.6.

(b) The WSBA Vice President will set out the period of probation reasonable to cause of probation. This period shall not be shorter than a week but no longer than a semester.



## **Amended Bill No. 2324-15**

### **An Act to Adoption of the WSBA Fiscal Year 2024-25 Proposed Budget**

*Author(s): **Brittni Winter**, Vice President*

*Sponsor(s): **Brittni Winter**, Vice President;*

*Background:*

The Washburn Student Bar Association (WSBA) is required to adopt a budget every fiscal year. On March 25 and April 1, 2024, the WSBA Budget Committee, being duly appointed and confirmed by the WSBA Governing Body and Executive Council in accordance with WSBA Bylaw Article 5, met and approved a budget proposal for the fiscal year 2024-2025. The WSBA Budget Committee is presented the budget proposal on April 10<sup>th</sup> through its chair, WSBA Vice President.

*Legislative Notes:*

This bill seeks to adopt a budget for the 2024-2025 fiscal year for WSBA.

This bill seeks to repeal bill 2324-1 WU After Dark Program and remove this as a line item from the budget.

Presented to the Governing Body of the Washburn Student Bar Association on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, with a vote of:

*Ayes:*

*Nays:*

*Abstentions:*

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*Ryan Petersen*  
WSBA President

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*Brittni Winter*  
WSBA Vice President

# An Act to Adoption of the WSBA Fiscal Year 2024-25 Proposed Budget

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE  
WASHBURN STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

*Author(s): Brittni Winter, Vice President*

*Sponsor(s): Brittni Winter, Vice President;*

AN ACT

**Section 1.** The Washburn Student Bar Association shall hereby adopt the proposed budget and approved by the WSBA Governing Body for its 2024-2025 fiscal year. The 2024-2025 WSBA Budget shall be as described in this Act and as illustrated in the Appendix attached hereto. The 2024-2025 WSBA Budget shall begin to operate upon the of the new fiscal year, July, 1, 2024.

**Section 2.** Allocations for the Student Organizations

(a) Allocations to Registered Student Organizations.....	Total:	6,300
(i.) For the Agricultural Law Society .....		300
(ii.) For the Asian American Law Student Association.....		300
(iii.) For the American constitution Society.....		300
(iv.) For the Black Law Student Association .....		300
(v.) For the Business Law Society .....		300
(vi.) For the Christian Legal Society .....		300
(vii.) For the Climate Action Group.....		300
(viii.) For the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Student Association .....		300
(ix.) For the Environmental Law Society .....		300
(x.) For the Federal Bar Association .....		300
(xi.) For the Federalist Society .....		300
(xii.) For the Hispanic and Latino Law Student Association .....		300
(xiii.) For the Intellectual Property Law Society Law Society.....		300
(xiv.) For the Native American Law Student Association .....		300
(xv.) For the Phi Alpha Delta Legal Society .....		300
(xvi.) For the Pro Bono Society .....		300
(xvii.) For the Rainbow Bar .....		300
(xviii.) For the Rural Practice Organization .....		300
(xix.) For the Tax and Estate Planning Association .....		300
(xx.) For the Washburn Law Pickleball Club.....		300
(xxi.) For the Well Being at Washburn.....		300
(xxii.) For the Women’s Legal Forum .....		300
(b) Allocation Appeals Process Funding.		
For the Allocation Hearings Appeals Process .....		Suspended
(c) Appropriations During the Fiscal Year.		
For recognized eligible student organizations that request appropriations during the 2024-2025 fiscal year .....		5,500

(d) Newly Recognized Organizations.

For student organizations that start and become recognized by WSBA during the 2024-2025 fiscal year ..... 1,500

**Section 3.** Allocations for the WSBA President’s Discretionary Fund.

The following amount is appropriated from the WSBA General Fund to the WSBA President’s Discretionary Fund for the 2024-2025 fiscal year ..... 600

**Section 4.** Allocations for the WSBA General Operating Fund

The following amounts are appropriated from the WSBA General Fund to the respective and identified fixed expenses, costs, and events for the 2024-2025 fiscal year:

(a) Events Total: 12,300  
    (i) For the Barrister’s Ball ..... 5,100  
    (ii) For the Bar Revue ..... 2,500  
    (iii) For Welcome Week: Fall ..... 1,500  
    (iv) For the Welcome Week: Spring ..... 1,500  
    (v) For the Final’s Goodies..... 1,000  
        i. Per Semester..... 500  
    (vi) Homecoming Tailgate..... 750

(b) Fixed Expenses Total: 3,750  
    (i) For annual awards ..... 500  
    (ii) For Facilities Supplies ..... 700  
    (iii) For flowers, gifts, memorials ..... 500  
    (iv) For ice machine maintenance ..... 500  
    (v) For office fixtures ..... 850  
    (vi) For office supplies ..... 200  
    (vii) For promotional items ..... 800  
    (viii) For the WSBA website ..... 200

(c) ABA Conference Total: 3,000  
    (i) For the ABA Conference registration fee ..... 200  
    (ii) For lodging ..... 1,491  
    (iii) For travel ..... 500  
    (iv) For per diem ..... 592.5  
    (v) Overages..... 216.5

(d) For student directories ..... Suspended  
(e) For miscellaneous fees ..... Suspended

**Section 5.** The WSBA Student Bar Association shall hereby repeal Bill 2324-1: An Act to Permanently Institute the “WU Law After Dark” Program. WU Law After Dark line item will be removed.

**Section 6.** Any WSBA policy, procedure, rule, or regulation, in whole or in part, in conflict with this Act shall be hereby repealed.

**Section 7.** This Act shall become effective immediately upon passage.

## **Bill No. 2324-01**

# **An Act to Permanently Institute the “WU Law After Dark” Program**

*Author(s): Kiley Deain, Vice President*

*Sponsor(s): Kiley Deain, Vice President*

*Background:*

Following the successful implementation of the WU Law After Dark Program during the 2022-2023 school year, the Washburn Student Bar Association (WSBA) is seeking to permanently institute the WU Law After Dark Program. WU Law After Dark encourages student organizations at Washburn Law to offer social events throughout the school year to promote student engagement. This benefits students by offering social events outside of classes and lunch & learns and benefits student organizations by promoting a culture of belonging on campus. The act shall only incentivize student organizations to hold social events during the Fall and Spring semesters. Funds have already been appropriated for this program listed as “WU Law After Dark;” therefore, no additional funding is necessary.

*Legislative Notes:*

This bill seeks to permanently adopt the WU Law After Dark Program.

Presented to the Governing Body of the Washburn Student Bar Association on September 13, 2023, with a vote of:

*Ayes:*

*Nays:*

*Abstentions:*

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*Caitlin Riffer*  
WSBA President

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*Kiley Deain*  
WSBA Vice President

# **An Act to Permanently Institute the “WU Law After Dark” Program**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE  
WASHBURN STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

*Author(s): Kiley Deain, Vice President*

*Sponsor(s): Kiley Deain, Vice President*

## **AN ACT**

### **Section 1. Policy Goals.**

The Washburn Student Bar Association (WSBA) shall hereby permanently adopt the WU Law After Dark program in an effort to incentivize student organizations to host more social events or co-sponsor social events. This program shall be called and considered “WU Law After Dark,” and this program is funded by the 2023-2024 budget item of the same name. Each registered student organization is heavily encouraged to participate, and registered student organization participation shall not be mandated.

### **Section 2. Program.**

The Washburn Student Bar Association (WSBA) shall encourage student organizations to hold social events every month during the Fall and Spring semesters to accomplish the purposes of this Act. These months, however, shall exclude the summer semester.

The social event must provide food in conformity with Section 3 of this Act. Events hosted and produced under this program must occur on-campus and must be open to all students. Due to the nature of social events, Zoom attendance options are not mandatory but are encouraged if practically accommodatable. Events under this program shall qualify as an activity, pursuant to the WSBA Registered Student Organizations Bylaw.

### **Section 3. Funding for Food.**

To accomplish the purposes of this Act, WSBA shall cover the cost of food for the scheduled social events up to two hundred dollars (\$200.00) per social event. This cost shall not count against the registered student organization’s annual allocation of funding from WSBA. Funding for this shall be granted and expended from the “WU Law After Dark” line item of the WSBA 2023-2024 budget.

### **Section 4. Access to Program.**

All requests for WU Law After Dark funding are subject to final approval by the WSBA Vice President. Requests for WU Law After Dark funding must be submitted for approval no less than fourteen (14) calendar days prior to the date of the event.

**Section 5.** Any WSBA law, policy, procedure, rule, or regulation, in whole or in part, in conflict with this Act shall be hereby repealed.

**Section 6.** This Act shall become effective immediately upon passage.

WSBA President	Ryan Peterson
WSBA Vice President	Brittni Winter
WSBA Treasurer	Angela Broderick

WSBA Operating Carryover after SP 2023-2024	\$ -		
2023-24 # of Students (est.)	300		
	Per Student	Semester Est.	Annual Est.
2023-2024 Per Semester Student Fee	\$ 55.00	\$ 16,500.00	\$ 33,000.00

WSBA base funds allotted per student org	\$ 300.00
WSBA add'l funds per student org	\$ -

	Budget (Base)	Actual (Spent)	Pending (to be recovered)	Notes
<b>Student Org Funding</b>	<b>\$ 13,300.00</b>			
Base	\$ 6,300.00	\$ -	\$ 6,300.00	Active Orgs * B11
Additional Allotted	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Suspended Bylaw 2324-10
Anticipated Extra-Budgetary Requests	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Suspended Bylaw 2324-10
Appeals Process Funding	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Suspended Bylaw 2324-10
Appropriations	\$ 5,500.00	\$ -	\$ 5,500.00	
Newly Recognized	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	
<b>WSBA President's Discretionary Fund</b>	<b>\$ 600.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 600.00</b>	Bylaw 101 § VI, B, 6
<b>WSBA General Fund</b>	<b>\$ 19,100.00</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 19,100.00</b>	Recurring + misc.
Fixed Expenses (see right)	\$ 3,750.00	\$ -	\$ 3,750.00	
ABA Conference	\$ 3,000.00	\$ -	\$ 3,000.00	
Student Directories	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Suspended
Misc.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	Suspended
Special Events	\$ 12,350.00	\$ -	\$ 12,350.00	
<i>Bar Revue</i>	\$ 2,500.00	\$ -	\$ 2,500.00	
<i>Barristers' Ball</i>	\$ 5,100.00	\$ -	\$ 5,100.00	
<i>Welcome Back Fall</i>	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	
<i>Welcome Back Spring</i>	\$ 1,500.00	\$ -	\$ 1,500.00	
<i>Final Goodies Bag</i>	\$ 1,000.00	\$ -	\$ 1,000.00	\$500 per semester
<i>Homecoming Tailgate</i>	\$ 750.00	\$ -	\$ 750.00	

General Fund Costs	Amt	Notes	Actual
Annual awards	\$ 500.00	Professor, Adjunct, Staff, frm. WSBA Pres (Westside Stamp & Awards)	\$ -
Facilities Supplies	\$ 700.00	Any purchases approved for WSBA Facilities Committee	\$ -
Flowers, gifts, mem.	\$ 500.00		\$ -
Ice machine maintenance	\$ 850.00	Per Contact Cleaning	\$ -
Office Fixtures	\$ 200.00	Used to maintain appliance and purchase furnitures, etc.	\$ -
Promotional items	\$ 800.00	Marketing items for WSBA	\$ -
WSBA Website	\$ 200.00	Hosting and Domain	\$ -
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 3,750.00</b>		<b>\$ -</b>

ABA Conference	\$ 3,000.00	ABA Rep.	
Conf. Reg. Fee	\$ 200.00	Est. registration costs for two attendees	
Conf. Lodging	\$ 1,491.00	1 attendees x 7 days @ 213.00 federal rate	
Conf. Travel	\$ 500.00	flight costs undetermined	
Conf. Per Diem	\$ 592.50	1 attendees x 6 days @ 79.00 federal per diem; 1 attendees x 2 days @ 59.25 federal travel days per diem	In Chicago
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,783.50</b>	<a href="#">WU uses federal rates for travel guidelines. Click to see policy.</a>	
		<a href="#">Federal rate guidelines are linked here for convience.</a>	
overages	\$ 216.50		



Data Gathered from 2023-24 Annual Student Org Report

Student Organization Total: 27

20 organizations requesting baseline funding

7 student organization have not turned in a report

- 3 have inform VP Winter that they are going inactive.

Of the 20

6 organization anticipate needing funding over baseline

7 organizations might anticipate needing funding over baseline

Organizations	Anticipated Total (Request +baseline)
BLSA	Up to the max allowed
Pro Bono	Maybe
ACS	Used all their funds this year
Ag Law	1400 (1100 +300)
DEI	450 (150 +300)
Environmental	400 (300+100)
NALSA	1,300 (1000 +300)
HALSA	
Rainbow Bar	1050 (300 +750)
Federal Bar	Maybe
WLF	500 (300 +200)
Federalist Society	350 (50 +300)
ALSA	Maybe

## ARTICLE 7. IMPEACHMENT AND RECALL

7.1 Impeachment. All impeachments must use the following procedures:

7.1.1 Articles of impeachment must specify the official being impeached, the reasons for impeachment, every rule or policy that the individual is alleged to have violated, and the facts supporting each allegation.

7.1.2 Once finalized, articles must be transmitted to the Parliamentarian who shall transmit the articles to all members of WSBA leadership board.

7.1.3 After the articles of impeachment have received the signatures of an absolute majority of the Representatives, the Parliamentarian shall schedule an impeachment hearing for a time that is more than seven (7) calendar days but less than thirty (30) calendar days after the article(s) are transmitted to all members of WSBA.

7.1.4 Impeachment hearings shall include all Representatives, but shall be chaired by the Parliamentarian, who shall have no vote unless it would affect the outcome. All impeachment hearings must be open to the public. The Parliamentarian shall publicly post the date, time, and location of all impeachment hearings not less than forty-eight (48) hours before the hearing. The Dean's office must be notified of the impending impeachment trial upon scheduling.

7.1.5 All impeachment hearings shall begin with the articles of impeachment being read in their entirety. The accuser shall present evidence first, followed by the accused.

7.1.6 All written materials to be used at the hearing must be submitted to the Parliamentarian at least 48 hours before the hearing, who shall in turn transmit them to all members Representatives.

7.1.7 Representatives may ask questions, at the discretion of the presiding officer. Time spent on questions shall be separate from the presentation of evidence.

7.1.8 The only voting method allowed for impeachment shall be roll call.

7.1.9 Upon the passage of articles of impeachment, the official named shall be immediately removed from office.

7.1.10 Only one (1) official may be charged in articles of impeachment, and only one impeachment proceeding may be held at a time.

7.1.11 In the event that the Parliamentarian is unable or unwilling to conduct the impeachment proceedings, the Secretary shall assume the responsibilities outlined in this article, including but

not limited to scheduling the impeachment hearing, chairing the hearing, and ensuring adherence to the procedures laid out herein.

7.2 Conflict of Interest. No person shall sit or vote on any proceeding if they are a party in the dispute.

7.3 Representation. Litigants shall be permitted to use representation, but are not required to do so.

7.4 Burden of Proof. For all cases, including election disputes, the burden of proof shall be upon the movant, and shall be clear and convincing evidence.

7.5 Recall: Students have the right to petition for recall of WSBA leadership, Bylaw amendments, initiative, or for referendum vote on any issue. A petition is defined in 7.5.1:

7.5.1 Business may be conducted by the students through referendum or initiative. Referendum is defined as reconsideration of a WSBA decision. Initiative is defined as a new proposal for WSBA consideration. Any student may submit a petition with a detailed proposal and the signatures of an absolute majority of the WSBA leadership board. If the proposal is determined to be in proper order, a special election will be called within two weeks for a vote of majority approval by the qualified electors. If the proposal is not determined to be in proper order, the WSBA Executive Board will ask the author to resubmit the proposal.

## ARTICLE 9. BYLAW ADOPTION AND AMENDMENT PROCEDURES

9.1 WSBA Bylaws are rule created by WSBA and are binding on its members. WSBA may amend the bylaws at any time, to include the creation of new bylaws as needed, by the introduction of a Bill by any member and a two thirds majority of all voting members of the General Body.

## **Bill No. 2324-16**

### **An Act to Amend Article I of the WSBA Bylaws**

*Author(s): Elizabeth Marston, ABA Representative*

*Sponsor(s): Name, Title; Name, Title*

*Background:* The Washburn Student Bar Association (WSBA) proscribes rules and regulations in which all WSBA elected officers must abide by. This power is derived from Article X of the WSBA Constitution and Article I of the WSBA Bylaws.

*Legislative Notes:* This bill seeks to amend Article I section 6.7 of the WSBA Bylaws concerning the duties of the ABA Representative.

Presented to the Governing Body of the Washburn Student Bar Association on April 17th, 2024, with a vote of:

*Ayes:*

*Nays:*

*Abstentions:*

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Ryan Petersen WSBA President

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Brittni Winter WSBA Vice President

## Bill No. 2324-16

### An Act to Amend Article I of the WSBA Bylaws

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE  
WASHBURN STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

*Author(s): Elizabeth Marston, ABA Representative*

*Sponsor(s): Name, Title; Name, Title*

AN ACT

**Section 1.** The Washburn Student Bar Association shall hereby amend Article I, Section 6.7 of the WSBA Bylaws concerning the ABA Representative's duties and replace it with the following:

#### 1.6.7. Duties of the American Bar Association Representative

The American Bar Association Representative shall:

1. Attend and complete all necessary trainings required by the American Bar Association;
2. Meet all requirements set forth by the American Bar Association relating to the position, including by maintaining an active membership status with the American Bar Association;
3. Serve as an ambassador and liaison between the American Bar Association and this organization;
  - a. Including:
    - i. Holding at least 1 event a semester
    - ii. Hosting at least 1 joint/sponsored/collaborative event with each bar association (American Bar Association, Kansas Bar Association, and Topeka Bar Association) during the year.
4. Attend the Annual Meeting of the American Bar Association that takes place in the summer;
  - a. Expectations during the Meeting:
    - i. Attend all required events and as many optional events as possible.
      1. Gather student feedback on the optional CLE's during the event that they would like you to attend.
    - ii. Take detailed notes concerning all events, resources, and advantageous contacts for Washburn Law.
    - iii. Required events include:
      1. President's Reception
      2. Required Training for ABA Representatives
      3. Required Training for WSBA President's (if it does not conflict)
      4. ABA Awards events
      5. Networking Reception
      6. Any events the student body showed a preference for

- b. Expectations after the Meeting:
  - i. Prepare a detailed report for the entire student body summarizing the event to be released by September 1<sup>st</sup>.
  - ii. The report shall contain:
    - 1. A table of contents
    - 2. A summary of all events attended
    - 3. A descriptive list of all exterior resource's students can take advantage of and how to access them. Resource examples include scholarships, guest speakers, and educational opportunities.
- 5. Serve as Chair of the Facilities Committee

**Section 2.** Any WSBA policy, procedure, rule, or regulation, in whole or in part, in conflict with this Act shall be hereby repealed.

**Section 3.** This Act shall become effective immediately upon passage.

## Bill No. 2324-17

# An Act to Constitutionally Bifurcate the WSBA Events Director Position

*Author(s): Ryan Petersen, President*

*Sponsor(s): Zach Green, 3L Representative*

*Background:*

The Washburn Student Bar Association (WSBA) possesses the power to amend the WSBA Constitution through an affirmative vote by two-thirds majority of the WSBA General Body and Washburn Law Student body pursuant to Article XII, Section 4.

*Legislative Notes:*

This bill seeks to amend Article III, Section 2 and Section 3(b) of the WSBA Constitution. Currently the WSBA Events Director position is a singular position; however, much concern over the years has been raised regarding the longevity of this practice. Specifically, students have voiced apprehensions requiring an individual to organize both Bar Revue and Barristers' Ball. These are two of the largest and most extravagant events WSBA organizes and are too much work on one individual. To combat this issue, this bill intends to create two positions: Bar Revue Director and Barristers' Ball Director. Bifurcating the Events Director position should lower the burden and workload of organizing Bar Revue and Barristers' Ball.

Presented to the Governing Body of the Washburn Student Bar Association on April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2024, with a vote of:

*Ayes:*

*Nays:*

*Abstentions:*

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*Ryan Petersen*  
WSBA President

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*Brittini Winter*  
WSBA Vice President

# **An Act to Constitutionally Bifurcate the WSBA Events Director Position**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE  
WASHBURN STUDENT BAR ASSOCIATION

*Author(s): Ryan Petersen, President*

*Sponsor(s): Zach Green, 3L Representative*

AN ACT

**Section 1.** The Washburn Student Bar Association shall hereby amend Article III, Section 2 and Section 3(b) of the WSBA Constitution.

**Section 2.** Article III, Section 2 shall be amended to read:

Minimum Elective Positions. The Governing Body shall at all times consist of a minimum of a President, Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, American Bar Association (ABA) Representative, **Bar Revue Director, Barristers' Ball Director**, Communications Director, two representatives from each class year, and three at-large representatives, cumulatively a minimum of sixteen (16) positions. Additional representatives may be added to the Governing Body for good cause, in accordance with this organization's Bylaws.

**Section 3.** Article III, Section 3(b) shall be amended to read:

The terms of office for members who are elected to the **Bar Revue Director and Barristers' Ball Director** positions shall commence no later than thirty (30) days after the **final event in which their predecessor was in charge of**, providing **the incoming Director a training period and an opportunity to** shadow their predecessor and assume at least one-fourth of the duties of the position.

**Section 4.** Any WSBA policy, procedure, rule, or regulation, in whole or in part, in conflict with this Act shall be hereby repealed.

**Section 5.** This Act shall become effective immediately upon passage.