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S. B. A.

N.E W S L E T T E R

September 15, 1971

The purpose of the S. B. A. Newsletter is to increase student knowledge of current issues and problems at school. It will come out between issues of the Res Ipsa and will hopefully serve as a means of informing students about pressing problems so that they can express their views to the S. B. A. and faculty members on these problems.

PROPOSED 2 CREDIT SYSTEM - The S. B. A. has proposed that courses be for 2 credits. The majority of courses now are 4 credits with the students receiving no credit until he completes the course in June. This means that if you drop out before June, you lose all credit for the course. A student who is drafted after the 1st semester, may lose nearly \$1,000.00 in tuition. Further, the 4 credit system cuts down on the flexibility of the curriculum by locking a student into a course for the entire year when he may prefer to drop it at mid-year.

The S. B. A. proposal is that all courses be 2 credits with credits to accrue in January and June. Some courses do not lend themselves to being considered one semester courses so the proviso will be added that credit for the 1st semester will be contingent on successful completion of the 2nd semester. This, however, should be the exception, not the rule. The faculty will consider this proposal, Tuesday, September 20, 1971.

TRIAL MOOT COURT & LEGAL WRITING - It has been proposed that the alternatives to these courses be abolished. The procedure last year was that a student could participate in Legal Aid in lieu of Trial Moot Court, and in Teaching Programs, Law Review, or the Law School Radio Program in lieu of Legal Writing. This will also be considered at the Monday Hearing.

If you are in favor of the 2 credit system and against the abolition of the alternatives to Legal Writing & Trial Moot Court, express your opinion to individual faculty members. They are interested in your opinion and respect it. Tell them what you want.

S. B. A. MEETING SATURDAY - If you have ideas, comments, etc., please attend. If you can't attend pass your comments on to the SBA members. They are:

DAYS: 3rd yr. - Joe Lipofsky, Mike Siavage, Neil Smith, Joe Spagnoli, & Dick Cushing

2nd yr. - Joe Tomasek, John Briscoe, Noel Schablik, John Hughes, & Terry Shapiro.

NIGHTS: Ed Matthews, Mike Giles, Dorothea O'Connell, Tom Nee, Cliff Kuhn, Mike Bartley, Don Czarniach, Pete Locascio, Barbara Curran, & Pat Rapp.

FRESHMAN: Elections October 4, 5, & 6. SIGN UP. If you care about the Law School you are going to be graduating from, run for the S. B. A. and help make needed changes.