FACULTY MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, February 8, 2011

- 1. Announcements
- 2. Approval of Minutes: January 11th and January 25th
- 3. Dr. Suzanne Ortega, Provost
- 4. Scheduling Make-up Classes Associate Dean Barbara Bergman
- 4. Development Update Development Officer Hannah Farrington

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The meeting was called to order at 3:06 p.m.

Attendance: Marsha Baum, Barbara Bergman, Paul Biderman, Sherri Burr, Camille Carey, Jim

Ellis, Eileen Gauna, Erik Gerding, Jacquie Hand, April Land, John LaVelle, Antoinette Sedillo Lopez, José Martinez, Jenny Moore, David Myers, Mike Norwood, Daniel Ortega, Sergio Pareja, Carol Parker, Liz Rapaport, Leo Romero,

Carol Suzuki, Gloria Valencia-Weber, Kevin Washburn

Students: Jesse Allen

Staff/Sr. Admin: Sandra Bauman, Hannah Farrington, John Feldman, William Jackson,

Susan Mitchell, Bonne Stepleton

Guests: Chief of Staff Breda Bova, Vice-President Helen Gonzales, Provost Suzanne

Ortega, President David Schmidly

I. Announcements

a. Dean Kevin Washburn

- i. Introduced visiting professor Jacquie Hand, who is teaching Property II during the Spring 2011 semester.
- ii. Announced the success of the UNM Mock Trials team at regionals: both of the SOL teams advancing to semifinals, and one winning to move onto nationals.
- iii. Thanked everyone involved in making Stanford Professor Jeffrey Fischer's visit very successful.
- iv. Announced upcoming moot arguments with Attorney General Gary King, being held in the Court of Appeals courtroom on Wednesday, February 16th. Any faculty interested in participating should contact Dean Washburn.
- v. Described the various meetings and visits that the current candidate with an outstanding hiring offer experienced during his time in town earlier in the month, and thanked everyone involved in these and other outreach interactions. Dean Washburn hopes to report on the candidate's decision within the next week.
- vi. Announced that Professor Margaret Montoya will be presenting at a future meeting her discoveries, observations and recommendations with regard to helping our students be better prepared for the multistate performance test and NM's bar exam.
- vii. Provided a brief budget strategy update, including a push to move appropriate special projects into the I&G funding structure, and the exploration of the judiciary towards moving Judicial Selection funding under the judiciary rather than UNM. He asked faculty members to reach out our alumni who are also legislators.
- viii. Announced that SOL will be co-hosting psychiatrist Phil Resnick's lecture here at the Law School on March 31. Professor Liz Rapaport said folks should let her

- know if they would like to be invited to the private reception that will be held in conjunction with this event.
- b. Professor Gloria Valencia-Weber announced that Sheldon Spotted Elk ('10) was Utah Legal Services' top candidate for a position which he successfully landed.
- II. Approval of Minutes for the January 11th and January 25th Minutes
 - a. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes, as presented, from January 11th and January 25th faculty meetings.
 - b. There was no further discussion, and the motion received unanimous approval by a show of hands.
- III. Presentation and Q&A with Provost Suzanne Ortega and President David Schmidly
 - a. President Schmidly gave a brief overview of what is going on during the current legislative session, including some additional budgetary information and outlook. He stressed that moving forward private fundraising will become an increasingly important piece of UNM's funding structure as a whole, and especially for individual schools, colleges and programs.
 - b. A period of questions and answers followed President Schmidly's presentation, directed to both the president and Provost Ortega from various faculty members and on various topics.
 - c. Dean Washburn and many of the faculty thanked the members of UNM's executive staff for coming.
- IV. Scheduling Make-Up Classes Associate Dean Barbara Bergman
 - a. Associate Dean Bergman thanked all the faculty who had responded to the e-mail she sent earlier outlining potential options for making up those classes canceled due to UNM's inclement weather closings earlier in the month.
 - b. The option of utilizing Friday afternoons through the end of the semester is the most workable one, as a whole. However she also encouraged faculty to come up with individualized solutions for their class/students' needs.
 - c. Faculty should contact either Associate Dean Bergman or William Jackson, the registrar, with either their requests for assistance with make-ups, or their individual plans of make-ups of their class(es) will be accomplished.
- V. Development Update Development Director Hannah Farrington
 - a. Ms. Farrington provided a brief background on past fundraising strategies and efforts, and then fleshed out the prospects, goals, and priorities for the near and foreseeable future.
 - b. The purposeful focusing of year-end fundraising requests resulted in the highest amount of year-end giving to date. In addition, SOL has received some of its historically largest gifts, predominately in the area of faculty support, in the last three months.
 - c. Development efforts allowed SOL to surpass its 2009-2010 fiscal goal; and, taking into account the gifts that have been received, pledged or potentially closed before the end of 2010-11, we look to be on course to finish this year at just under goal.
 - d. A period of discussion, questions and answers followed the presentation.

- e. Dean Washburn thanked Ms. Farrington for all of the hard work both she and her staff have put forth.
- VI. Budget Update Associate Dean Carol Parker and Dean Washburn
 - a. Dean Washburn reiterated the likely amount the SOL budget will be cut, and some details of the plan the Law School is presenting to UNM Administration for accommodating such a reduction. Among the most drastic efforts are the giving up of two faculty lines, one recently vacated by Louis Caldera, and the other which will be identified at the end of the line of upcoming retirements, i.e., it is possible that the very last vacancy may not be filled.
 - b. Associate Dean Parker briefly described how UNM is working to redistribute funds as a means of delaying the organizational impact of the eventual deep cuts. She reiterated President Schmidly's emphasis on the future necessity of private funding sources, such as endowments, to replace the reliance on state appropriations in a number of areas.
 - c. Questions and discussion ensued.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:41 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandra Bauman

Administrative Assistant to the Dean