

**Minutes for Faculty Meeting  
October 9, 2018**

*The meeting was called to order at 3:09 p.m. by Dean Sergio Pareja, once a quorum was reached. The following people were present for at least some portion of the meeting:*

**Faculty:** Maryam Ahranjani, George Bach, Reed Benson, Camille Carey, Scott England, Justin Goodman, Steven Homer, Joshua Kastenber, April Land, John LaVelle, Jennifer Laws, Ernesto Longa, Serge Martinez, Jennifer Moore, Aliza Organick, Gabe Pacyniak, Mary Leto Pareja, Sergio Pareja, Sonia Gipson Rankin, Michelle Rigual, David Stout, Carol Suzuki, Jeanette Wolfley, and Christine Zuni Cruz (17 needed for quorum; names that count toward quorum in bold)

**Emeritus:** Scott Hughes, Sherri Burr, Leo Romero, and Peter Winograd

**Staff:** Beverly Akin, Krista Allen, Chad Covey, David Pallozzi, and Quiana Salazar-King

**Students:** Erika Avila Stephanz and Jared Armijo

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Scholarship Donor Luncheon/Parking:** Dean Pareja reminded everybody that tomorrow is the Scholarship Luncheon. There will be 40 parking space reserved from 8:00 am to 1:30 pm for the donors and guests in the L parking lot, so parking may be tight. Overflow parking for the School of Law is available in the G lot, with shuttles every 10 minutes. Please plan accordingly.

**Distinguished Achievement Awards Dinner:** Dean Pareja reminded everybody that the DAAD is being held on Friday, October 19, 2018, at the UNM Student Union Building, with the reception beginning at 6:00 pm and dinner and awards ceremony at 7:00 pm. The honorees this year are retired Justice Edward Chavez, Jill Marron, and Steve Scholl. Aja Books will receive the Alumni Promise Award. Only three faculty members have bought tickets so far, and it is very important that we have strong faculty turnout for this very important law school event. To sign up, please contact Melissa Lobato or register on the law school's website (<http://lawschool.unm.edu/alumni/events/daad.html>).

**Lunch Drawing:** Dean Pareja held a drawing for one faculty member to have lunch with the dean and the vice dean and with one law school staff member. This is an opportunity to help build camaraderie and talk a bit about what you do outside of work. Professor Michelle Rigual's name was drawn.

**Security at the Simm's Lecture.** Kenneth Starr will be presenting at the Simm's Lecture. Emeritus Professor Sherri Burr noted that there has been a controversy with regard to someone who worked with him and noted that she was wondering if the law school has a security plan. Dean Pareja assured the group that Advancement is working closely with university security and is working out a detailed security plan.

**MSL Bulletin Update:** Vice Dean Carey noted that she discovered that the draft MSL Bulletin is based on the 2016-2017 JD Bulletin rather than the current bulleting. As a result, she is taking additional time to update the MSL Bulletin to reflect the updates contained in the 2018-2019 bulletin.

**ACTION ITEM: Vote to extend voting privileges to Visiting Professor Kip Bobroff during the 2018-19 academic year – Dean Sergio Pareja:** A motion was made to extend “voting privileges” to Kip Bobroff for this academic year. The motion was seconded, and discussion ensued. It was clarified that voting privileges do not include the right to vote on hiring or promotion and tenure matters. A vote was taken, and the motion passed with no nay votes or abstentions.

**ACTION ITEM: Approval of Minutes from September 11, 2018 faculty meeting – Dean Sergio Pareja:** A motion was made to approve the minutes from the September 11 faculty meeting. The motion was seconded, and a vote was taken. It passed unanimously.

**ACTION ITEM: Vote on proposed amendment to Section 5.8 of the law school’s Faculty Handbook – Professor Carol Suzuki, Chair of the Faculty Retention, Promotion & Tenure Committee:** The committee moved to strike the final portion of Section 5.8 of the law school’s faculty handbook as follows:

When a recommendation and report is adopted, copies shall be given to the faculty member and the Dean, who will transmit it to the Provost. The Dean shall add his or her recommendation and evaluation with a statement of supporting reasons. A copy of the recommendation and evaluation and the statement of supporting reasons shall be provided to the chair of the subcommittee and the faculty member. A copy shall also be made available to any other faculty member requesting it. Any meeting of the Committee, or recommendation from the Dean, will only occur at a time sufficient to provide the faculty member under review at least 10 working days to respond to a negative recommendation. The faculty member under review, or any member of the Committee, shall have the opportunity to present relevant evidence and arguments to the Dean in writing before the Dean makes a recommendation, ~~and thereafter to present relevant evidence and arguments to the Provost.~~

The rationale for the change is because the law school’s policy potentially conflicts with university policy in that it could be interpreted as allowing an individual faculty member to provide an independent report to the Provost. University policy anticipates one report from the faculty as a whole and one report from the Dean, but no additional reports. After some discussion, a vote was held. 20 voted in favor of the change, 2 voted against it, and there was 1 abstention. The motion passed.

**Report on Dream Campus 101 training: Quiana Salazar-King and Professor Jenny Moore:** The UNM Office of the Provost UndocuTaskforce is a collaborative effort to strengthen resources and support services for undocumented students at UNM and establish a formal network that includes internal units and community partners. Undocumented students of all ethnicities and nationalities can find a safe environment and supportive community at UNM. For more information please go to their website: <http://undocumented.unm.edu/about/index.html>. Two weeks from

Friday, a meet and greet with faculty at noon is being planned. More information will be sent out via email.

**Report on October 30 art launch: Professor Emerita Sherri Burr, Chair of the Art Committee:**

In announcing the plans for the Art Gallery Launch, Professor Burr explained that the Art Committee had not been able to complete the painting of the Art Gallery walls during the last week of September, as previously announced, because of a snag. Professor Burr noted that UNM Remodel owns the brown paint on one wall. According to Professor Burr, the Art Committee bought a \$7 can of primer and painted the wall the same color as the rest of the Art Gallery walls rather than wait for a month and have Remodel charge \$200 or more. Professor Burr noted that she understands that some people were concerned about some paint fumes. On behalf of the Art Committee, she apologized for any inconvenience. The Art Committee is preparing for the Art Gallery Launch, which will held be on Tuesday, October 30, 2018, from 5:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. The event will feature fabulous community art, hors d'oeuvres, and Native American flute music by Johnny Alston.

**Announcement regarding need to appoint members of the Faculty Senate and the Faculty Senate Budget Committee** – Professor Emeritus Scott Hughes announced that he is stepping down from the Faculty Senate and from the Faculty Senate Budget Committee. Because of this, Dean Pareja will need to appoint a new faculty senate member and a new member of the budget committee. Dean Pareja asked if anyone would like to volunteer, and Michelle Rigual volunteered to serve on the Faculty Senate Budget Committee. Dean Pareja asked to please email him if anyone is interested in serving on the Faculty Senate.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION (Order of the Coif faculty only):**

**ACTION ITEM: Vote on Order of the Coif status for Laura Spitz and Sonia Gipson Rankin – Dean Sergio Pareja:** Members who are not members of the Coif were asked leave. A motion was made to accept the nominees. The motion was seconded. There was no discussion. A vote was taken and the motion passed.

*The meeting was adjourned by general consent at 3:47 pm*