

UNM School of Law
Faculty Meeting
May 7, 1973, 4:00 p.m.
Conference Room

MINUTES

Present: Dean Hart; Associate Dean Desiderio; Professors Bingaman, Daniels, Ellis, Fink, Flickinger, Goldberg, MacPherson, Muir, O'Dowd, Parnall, Reynoso, Simson, Walden, Walker; Students Myers, Othmer, Pedrick; and obviously the secretary.

The meeting was called to order by Dean Hart in lieu of anyone else better qualified. Attention was given to the following:

1. Minutes of the meeting of April 23, 1973, were approved without reading.
2. Regarding the Report of the Institute of Public Law and Services, issues raised by Professors Daniels, Goldberg, and Walker were answered in part and to the satisfaction of few by Professor O'Dowd, who elaborated on the text of the report, with some random assistance from Dean Hart, who referred to buying a whole or half a pie. Our articulate and persistent members warmly pursued personal arguments along predictable lines but all present were left with the firm knowledge that Governor King can count with certainty on at least one member of the faculty.
3. Professor Desiderio, with support from the three students present, discussed a proposal by the Special Committee on Grading. Each professor who contributed to the discussion did so in light of his particular class structure with little concern for students' needs. The dichotomy between the old-timers and the less experienced professors was obvious. Regarding the change in the grading system, there was comment on soft and hard substance courses, although these terms were not employed. The motion to table the discussion carried unanimously.
4. The subject, opened by Dean Hart, of future faculty members claimed the attention of the group for several minutes. The caution and caginess displayed by members in approaching various solutions were commendable, especially in weighing the popularity of one candidate for future employment against any obligations which might be due one member with tenure. One suggestion was that Professor Leo Kanowitz might be offered the Rear Entrance Chair on the faculty. Probably the best solution was made by Professor Goldberg who moved that the subject be committed to the Appointments Committee with the request that its proposal be presented as soon as possible. The motion carried.
5. Dean Hart announced his possible election to the presidency of the Law School Admissions Council. Although this honor might entail considerable travel and absence from the UNM Law School, Dean Hart felt that the school would benefit in some obscure way and pointed out that the school could continue to operate as usual.

The meeting was then adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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The meeting was called to order by Dean Hart, and attention was given to the following:

1. Minutes of the meeting of April 23, 1973, were approved.
2. There was discussion, led by Mr. O'Dowd, on the Report of the Institute of Public Law and Services, which had been distributed at the previous meeting.
3. Professor Desiderio, together with the three students present, discussed a proposal by the Special Committee on Grading. A motion to table carried unanimously.
4. Dean Hart announced developments concerning possible future faculty members. Professor Goldberg moved that the subject be committed to the Appointments Committee, with the request that its proposal be presented as soon as possible. The motion carried.
5. His possible election to the presidency of the Law School Admissions Council was announced by Dean Hart.

The meeting was adjourned.

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Secretary

PROPOSAL BY SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON GRADING

(1) Each semester a law student may elect to take one course on a credit/no-entry basis.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), a student may not elect to take any course required for graduation on a credit/no-entry basis. (Thus, first-year students may take a non-required course(s) on a "credit/no-entry" basis.)

(3) A student may elect to take ~~one~~^a course each semester on a "credit/no-entry basis" even if he or she is taking one or more courses in which the entire class is graded on a "pass/fail," credit/D/fail" or a similar basis.

(4) An election under paragraph (1) shall be made by the last day of classes for each semester. (Normally this should occur when examination numbers are picked up.)

(5) A professor is to grade all examination books on a "A/B/C/D/F" basis (except those books which are late and which the professor must grade on a "credit/D/F" basis). The secretary of the law school will then ~~indicate the grade for each book.~~

a ^{in book} "credit" for each book with a "A/B/C" grade and a "no entry" for each book with a "D" or "F" grade.

now "A-D" does give credit -