

UNM School of Law  
Faculty Meeting  
April 11, 1977  
4:00 p.m., Conference Room

MINUTES

Present: Desiderio, DuMars, W. Ellis, Flickinger, Goldberg, Gonzales, Hart, Kovnat, MacPherson, Martinez, Minzner, Muir, Norwood, Ragsdale, Schwartz, Simson, Teitelbaum, Utton, Winograd; Students Hernandez, Kraemer, Noland, Harper, Tackett, Thalley

The meeting was called to order by Dean Hart, and minutes of the meeting of April 4 were approved.

Professor Goldberg, Chairman of the Committee on Financial Aids, distributed Proposed Changes in Financial Aids Administration. After discussion, the faculty voted on the following items:

1. Approved as written.
2. Approved as amended.
3. Approved as written.
4. Approved as written.

Others items will be considered at the next faculty meeting on April 18.

Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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## PROPOSED CHANGES IN FINANCIAL AIDS ADMINISTRATION

In developing reform of the financial aids program at the law school, the Financial Aids Committee's primary goal was to create a plan which would fulfill, as much as possible, the real financial needs of the students. In order to do this, two areas of concern obviously arise: (1) to ascertain, as accurately and fairly as possible, the real needs of individual students; and (2) to marshal as much as possible of the law school's limited resources to meet the real needs of the students. To achieve the goal described above, the Committee has tentatively approved the following proposals for change in the administration of the financial aids program at the law school:

1. Applications for scholarship assistance will be made on the Graduate and Professional Schools Financial Aid Service (GAPSFAS) financial aid form. This form requires a detailed disclosure of a student's financial circumstances. The form also requires a financial statement from the applicant's parents. In making financial aids awards, the Committee will consider parents' financial resources and ability to assist the applicant.

2. While work-study applications will not be required on the GAPSFAS form, in awarding work-study positions at the law school, preference will be given to applicants for scholarship assistance who use the GAPSFAS form in applying for work-study.

3. In meeting the financial needs of the students, the Committee will award a financial aid package composed of scholarship assistance, work-study assistance, and loans.

4. Law students will be permitted to hold employment during the academic year only within the following limitations:

- a. First-Year Students: no hours for the first semester; up to fifteen hours a week in the second semester so long as the student is in good academic standing.
- b. Second- and Third-Year Students: up to twenty hours a week so long as the student is in good academic standing.

Exceptions to the above limitations may be granted only by the Dean or Associate Dean.

5. All scholarships, except those specified in the next paragraph, will be awarded on the basis of financial need. Existing scholarships, including Programmed Studies and Advocacy tutors, presently awarded on a non-need basis will continue for the next academic year and will thereafter be abolished. Insofar as the law school determines that the classes of individuals presently receiving "special" scholarships deserve financial recognition, such recognition should come from "prizes and awards" funds, payroll accounts or other sources.

Exceptions to the above policy are (1) CLEO tuition waivers; (2) Indian Scholarship Program tuition waivers; and (3) certain endowed and specifically limited scholarships.