

Law School Faculty Meeting
December 7, 1987
Conference Room, 4:00 PM

PRESENT: Bergman, Deloria, Ellis, J., Flickinger, Gonzales, Hall, Hart, Kelly, MacPherson, Mathewson, Morse, Nathanson, Occhialino, Parnall, Sanders, Scheible, Schwartz, Sedillo Lopez, Utton, and Winograd.
Student Representatives: Craig and Schauer.

Minutes of the meeting of November 16, 1987 were approved as written.

Announcements:

The Commission on Higher Education is recommending to the state legislature that UNM receive a budget increase of 3 percent for the next fiscal year. It is proposed that this increase be allocated based on merit. In addition, the Commission will be recommending a one-third increase in Law School tuition for the next fiscal year. A one-third increase would amount to an additional \$140.00 per semester (for a full-time student who is a New Mexico resident) as fees are not included in the increase.

Dean Parnall announced that as of this date approximately \$113,000 has been expended on materials and services from the Instructional Account. Although the budget for materials and services is \$106,000, the current \$7,000 shortfall will be covered by internal budget revision. The Dean said that though exceptional measures will not be initiated at this time, all voluntary steps taken to control costs would be appreciated.

Dean Parnall announced that Professor Karl Johnson has indicated he will be staying in private law practice. Thus his position will need to be filled.

Recruitment Committee Report:

Professor Gonzales reported that four members of the Committee interviewed 38 prospective candidates in Chicago during the first week of December. The Committee met subsequently on December 7, 1987 and prepared a short list of seven candidates from the initial list of 38. In addition to preparing this short list, the Committee recommended that visiting faculty members Christian Fritz and Barbara Bergman be considered for the next available permanent tenure-track positions, contingent upon proper faculty approval. After discussion the faculty unanimously approved the Dean's communication of the Committee's recommendation to Professors Fritz and Bergman.

Other Business:

Liz Jenkins-Smith reminded the faculty that the top grade for each Fall Semester course section must be indicated on the grade sheets in order for the top student in each eligible course to receive an American Jurisprudence Prize Award. Non-seminar courses graded with letter grades, having an enrollment of 12 or more students, are eligible for inclusion in this awards program.

The Dean reminded the faculty that all final examinations must be taken to Janet Cox for processing before they are distributed to the students. The Copy Center will not reproduce exams until they have been processed by Janet Cox and her staff.

It was announced that Professor Romero is planning to return to the UNM School of Law.

Professor Flickinger suggested that the faculty consider whether the Fall Semester dead week should be continued since some faculty are handing out final exams during that period. The Dean appointed Professor Occhialino and Associate Dean Winograd to study this issue.

Invitations were extended to all to attend a holiday open house at the Dean's home on December 22, 1987. It was also announced that the Law School Christmas Potluck will be held on December 16, 1987. Susan Collins is coordinating the food arrangements. Associate Dean Winograd reminded the faculty that contributions for staff gifts are being collected in his office. Finally, the faculty were asked to remember the Law School when making charitable gift plans this year.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 PM.



E.A. Jenkins-Smith, Faculty Secretary