

Law School Faculty Meeting
January 25, 1988
Dean's Conference Room, 4:00 PM

PRESENT: Bergman, DuMars, Ellis, J., Flickinger, Fritz, Godfrey, Gonzales, Hall, Huang, Kelly, Kovnat, Martinez, Mathewson, Morse, Nathanson, Norwood, Occhialino, Parnall, Scheible, Schwartz, Sedillo Lopez, Utton, and Winograd.
Student Representatives: Craig, Gobeo, and Schauer.

Dean's Announcements:

Dean Parnall extended a warm welcome to Professors Godfrey and Huang, who will be visiting the Law School this Spring Semester. Professor Huang is from the School of Law at Wuhan University, People's Republic of China. The Dean also announced that Professor Huang will give the faculty luncheon colloquium this Wednesday (January 27, 1988) in the faculty lounge. All were invited to attend.

Intersession 1988 went very well, the Dean announced. Courses taught included Intersession Trial Practice (Jack Klecan) and Mediation Training Workshop (Michele Hermann).

Dean Parnall announced that the Law School will host both the prelaw Instituto and Indian Law programs this summer.

Law School Graduates

The faculty, upon proper motion and second, formally certified Phillip A. Morgan and Cindy L. Turcotte as having completed all requirements for award of the degree of Juris Doctor as Fall 1987 graduates.

Petitions to Extend Deadlines for Incompletes

Professors DuMars, Gonzales, and Hermann (represented by Liz Jenkins-Smith) presented student petitions requesting extension of the deadlines for removing "Incomplete" grades. After discussion, it was moved and seconded to grant extensions to the end of Spring Semester 1988 to Allan P. Gerlach and John D. Watson. Upon proper motion and second, Carolyn J. Abeita was granted a two week extension.

The minutes of the meeting of December 7, 1987 were approved as written.

Report of the Faculty Appointments Committee

Professor Dick Gonzales reported that after reviewing the teaching evaluations of Visiting Professors Chris Fritz and Barbara Bergman, it was the wish of the Committee that the faculty authorize Dean Parnall to extend regular three-year appointments to both. Upon proper motion and second, the faculty unanimously authorized the Dean to do so. Dean Parnall momentarily departed to carry out this mandate and returned with Professors Fritz and Bergman, who received the acclamation and congratulations of the faculty.

Report of the Student Affairs Committee

Professor Jose Martinez presented the Committee's recommendation regarding the Law School's policy on the use of computers on examinations. After meeting with individual students and holding a general meeting with interested students, the Committee recommended that the policy remain as it currently stands. The Committee will continue to monitor the policy in light of future technological, financial, and attitudinal changes that may occur.

Report of the Curriculum Committee

Professor Em Hall requested the assistance of the entire faculty in order to revise the second and third year law curriculum. Using the substantive divisions suggested by former Professor Pam Minzner, subcommittees will be formed to study each curricular area. Upon proper motion and second, the faculty voted to adopt this proposal.

Other Business

Dean Parnall has asked Professor Nathanson to chair a committee on Continuing Legal Education. The Committee will be meeting with groups of faculty throughout the Spring Semester to discuss issues.

Professor DuMars announced that the Graduate Committee of the College of Arts and Sciences approved the new dual degree program between Law and Latin American Studies. This Juris Doctor/Master of Arts in Latin American Studies will be jointly administered by the Law School and the Latin American Institute.

Professor Morse requested that faculty members complete and return faculty profiles in order to assist the Law Library's collection development efforts.

Professor Schwartz announced that there will be two visitors at the Law School this week speaking on law and biomedical ethics. Rebecca Dresser will be speaking Thursday, January 28, 1988 at 3:00 PM and John Robertson of the University of Texas will be speaking at noon on Friday, January 29, 1988. All were invited to attend these events.

The meeting was adjourned into the Committee on Promotion and Tenure at 5:00 PM.



E. A. Jenkins-Smith, Faculty Secretary

The Committee on Promotion and Tenure took the following action: Professor Sheryl Scheible was 1) recommended for promotion to the rank of Associate Professor and 2) extended a second-term appointment at the School of Law.