

February 13, 1989

Faculty Meeting Minutes  
Dean's Conference Room, 4:00 PM

PRESENT: Bergman, Browde, Desiderio, DuMars, Ellis, J., Ellis, W., Flickinger, Fritz, Gill, Gonzales, Hall, Hart, Hermann, Kelly, Kovnat, Norwood, Parnall, Romero, Sanders, Scheible, Schwartz, Sedillo Lopez, Taylor, and Winograd.  
Student Representatives: Knight, Rasheed, and Scholl.  
Others Present: Hotsinpillar and Lester.

**Business:**

After proper motion and second, the minutes of the January 30, 1989 faculty meeting were approved as written.

**Dean's Announcements:**

Congratulations were extended to the UNM School of Law Mock Trial teams for winning the regional competition held here in Albuquerque last weekend. The teams, coached by Professor Leo Romero, will go to Dallas, Texas for the final competition. Team members are Phyllis Bergsma, Rebecca Madrid, Barbara Arbuckle, Sharon Marinuzzi, Mary Dougherty-Bartlett, and Steven Scholl. Professor Bill MacPherson organized the regional competition with the assistance of third-year student, Tim Vigil. The Dean expressed his appreciation for the enormous effort and success of this endeavor.

Congratulations were also extended to the Natural Resources Moot Court team (Bruce Brown, Douglas Cordova, and Manuel Lucero) who took third place in the recent national competition in Denver, Colorado.

Faculty and students were reminded that the New Mexico Court of Appeals will be hearing a case in the Moot Court Room on February 14, 1989 beginning at 9:30 am. Those interested were encouraged to observe the Court in action.

The UNM Board of Regents will be meeting on February 14, 1989 and will be in the Law School for a luncheon meeting.

The faculty were invited to a reception Friday, February 17, 1989 at Dean Parnall's home to honor the School's competitive trial teams and the Law School Alumni Board.

**Report of the Admission Committee:**

Professor Maureen Sanders reported on the numbers of applications for admission received at this stage. Compared to the same time last year, resident applications are down slightly, while nonresident applications are up. Discussion ensued and possible explanations for this situation were considered.

**Report of the Curriculum Committee:**

Professor Ruth Kovnat said that members of the faculty will be contacted in the next several weeks and asked about preferences for teaching assignments for the next

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academic year. Faculty will also be asked for input on the correct sequencing of courses (from basic to advanced levels) in their substantive areas. The Committee plans to use this information when making teaching assignments.

Professor Kovnat then distributed the Committee's recommendations on the School of Law's Writing Requirement. The Committee announced that these recommendations were intended to stimulate discussion among faculty members and requested that written comments be given to Professor Kovnat or other Committee members. Student comment is being solicited on this (and other curricular concerns) via a brown bag lunch scheduled for Wednesday, February 15, 1989 at 12:30 pm.

**Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Take-Home Exams:**

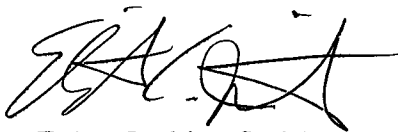
Professor Flickinger distributed copies of the Committee's discussion draft of proposals relating to take-home exam issues. Extensive discussion ensued regarding the issues of prior notice, exam administration, and honor code concerns. The consensus of those present was to review the Committee's proposals and take up this topic at the next faculty meeting.

**Other Business:**

Professor Rob Schwartz presented a petition from third-year law student, Sophia Collaros, for an extension to her Incomplete grade deadline to Monday, February 20, 1989. The faculty unanimously approved Ms. Collaros' petition.

Professor Garrett Flickinger requested that members of the Order of the Coif see him for information regarding a petition for a new chapter.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm.



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Faculty Secretary