

**September 11, 1989**

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**Faculty Meeting Minutes  
School of Law  
Dean's Conference Room, 4:00 PM**

**PRESENT:** Bergman, Burr, Desiderio, DuMars, Ellis, W., Flickinger, Fritz, Gonzales, Grubb, Hart, Hermann, Kelly, Kovnat, MacPherson, Mathewson, Nathanson, Norwood, Occhialino, Parnall, Romero, Sanders, Scheible, Schwartz, Ursua-Cocke, and West.  
Student Representatives: Knight and Rasheed.  
Others Present: Gibson, Hotsinpiller, and Lambert.

After proper motion and second, the minutes of the August 21, 1989 faculty meeting were approved.

**Dean's Report:**

The Law School's second annual Career Fair will be held here on Saturday, September 16, 1989 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Prospective employers will have booths in the Forum. Dean Parnall encouraged the student representatives to remind their classmates of this placement activity.

The State Bar Convention will be held in Gallup beginning Wednesday, September 20th. Faculty members should let Onnie Wooten know if they will be attending.

Dean Parnall reminded the faculty that Donor's Day is scheduled for October 6, 1989. This event is to honor those who have contributed to the Law School during the past three years.

November 15, 1989 is the date set for the Law School's receipt of the Emil Gumpert Award from the American College of Trial Lawyers. There will be a convocation in the Bondurant Lecture Hall (Room 2401) at 1:00 pm and a luncheon following. The faculty are invited.

Dean Parnall reminded the faculty that the Faculty Retreat is the weekend of October 14, 1989 and will be held in Taos.

Law School Deanships are currently open at the University of Wyoming and Loyola University Law Schools in New Orleans and Los Angeles.

The recent National Conference of the State Judiciary on Bioethical Issues held in Reno, Nevada was extremely well attended. Dean Parnall congratulated the Institute of Public Law and the following individuals for their hard work and effort in making the conference a success: Paul Nathanson, Rob Schwartz, Joan Gibson, Antoinette Sedillo Lopez, Andrew Grubb, and Pam Lambert.

**Report on the Institute of Public Law:**

Research Professor Paul Nathanson discussed the new Center for Health Law and Ethics at the Institute and its current activities, including the recent conference in Reno. Based on the success of this conference, there is a possibility of conducting similar conferences on bioethical issues on a regional basis. The faculty were reminded that with this experience as a prototype, the Institute is available to utilize other specific areas of faculty interest to obtain funding to coordinate seminars and workshops. Pam Lambert of IPL reported on the resources used at the Reno conference and discussed the comprehensive Resource Manual of Bioethics developed for the conference. Joan Gibson discussed IPL's involvement in a pilot grant on medical guardianship volunteer programs.

Professor Rob Schwartz then described the developing relationship between UNM's Medical and Law Schools. An interdisciplinary bioethics class is planned to be taught at the Medical School. The ongoing research on the development of values in medical and law students was discussed. The faculty were also reminded of the upcoming Professional Responsibility Day held in conjunction with the Medical School. This event is scheduled for Wednesday, October 18, 1989 from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm. Finally, Professor Schwartz passed on compliments received at the Nevada conference about the flexibility and supportiveness of the members of the faculty at the UNM Law School for this type of interdisciplinary work.

Dean Parnall encouraged the faculty to work with the Institute to develop areas of interest and obtain grant funding.

**Retreat Report:**

Associate Dean Leo Romero announced that the Faculty Retreat is scheduled for October 13 - 15, 1989 at the Sagebrush Inn in Taos. There are two tentative topics on the agenda at this time: 1) Continuing Legal Education and its role in the Law School and 2) Alternate Methods of Dispute Resolution and their role in the Law School. Please submit additional topical suggestions to Dean Parnall or Associate Dean Romero. The schedule of activities will be the same as in past years, beginning with dinner on Friday night and ending with a Sunday morning session. The faculty were reminded to return the forms sent out to them earlier.

**Update on Computers:**

Professor Mike Norwood announced changes in the computer training schedule presented at the last faculty meeting and reminded the faculty that the first day of training will be September 18, 1989 at 4:00 pm in Room 3211. Because of conflicts with scheduled faculty meetings, the training schedule is only accurate to the October 16th date. An updated schedule will be forthcoming. In addition, two new VT320s have been delivered to the Faculty Library and will be cable-connected soon. Professor Norwood also announced that a memo is forthcoming offering users of equipment on CIRT's maintenance plan the opportunity to get their keyboards cleaned. Those interested in this service should be sure to respond to this memo. Finally, the new equipment purchased to enhance the VAX is not yet here, so only 16 concurrent users will be allowed access at this time.

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Discussion then ensued about student input in the decisionmaking process regarding the allocation of computer resources. Dean Parnall also announced that the five Macintoshes and printers obtained by the Graduate Student Association are expected to be set up today.

**Review of Exam Policy:**

Professor Garrett Flickinger requested that the faculty reconsider the exam policy regarding reusing multiple-choice and short-answer exam questions. Discussion ensued and the Dean was requested to appoint an ad hoc committee to examine this issue. Professors Ted Occhialino and Robert Desiderio and third-year student Sam Rasheed were asked to consider this issue and report back to the next faculty meeting.

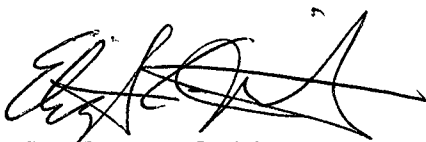
**Other Business:**

Professor Chuck DuMars presented a petition from three third-year students (Margaret "Peg" Rogers, Elizabeth Taylor, and Joni Wallace) to extend their Spring Semester 1989 Incomplete deadlines to the end of Fall Semester 1989. After proper motion and second, the petition was granted.

Professor Barbara Bergman presented a petition from third-year student Rosemary McCourt to extend her Spring Semester 1989 Incomplete deadline to the end of Fall Semester 1989. After proper motion and second, her petition was granted.

Questions were raised about the placement process and student difficulties with limited access to interview slots. After discussion, Dean Parnall referred this matter to Associate Dean Winograd and Mary Beth West for investigation.

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.



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