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

PRESENT: Bergman, Cook, Desiderio, Ellis, J., Ellis, W., Flickinger, Fritz, Gill, Hall, Hart, Hermann, Jenkins-Smith, Kelly, Kovnat, Martinez, Mathewson, Morse, Nathanson, Occhialino, Price, Romero, Sanders, Scales, Schwartz, Sedillo Lopez, Utton, West, and Winograd.

Student Representatives: Cantwell, Goble, and Singdahlsen.

The meeting was called to order by Interim Dean Utton.

Upon proper motion and second, the minutes of the November 26, 1990 faculty meeting were approved.

## Report on Reallocation:

Associate Dean Romero reported on recent activities coordinated by Acting Provost Risser's office to explore budget reallocation options at the University of New Mexico. Because the University fears that less funding will be available in general, these exercises were intended to stimulate the development of reallocation plans both within and between academic units and programs. Initial efforts have included college budget proposals with 5% cutbacks, 0% increases, and 5% increases, as well as a one-day reallocation workshop for college deans and directors. Interim Dean Utton reported that the University's message to the colleges is to create no new programs due to tightening budgets. Members of the faculty discussed these issues and implications for the future.

# Report from the Faculty Appointments Committee:

Professor Rob Schwartz reported that the Committee has been meeting regularly and has interviewed several candidates interested in teaching here. In addition, the Committee proposed a faculty exchange program with other departments within the University. This proposal was discussed and the Committee was asked to meet

further with the Curriculum Committee to address the issues of student interest and co-teaching options. Finally the Committee reported that although no positions are now available, it is likely that there will be clinical and trial advocacy teaching needs for the next academic year. Members of the faculty were invited to join the next Committee meeting on Thursday, February 7, 1991 at 3:00 PM in the Dean's Conference Room to review candidates and provide comments.

## Law School Academic Calendar:

Associate Dean Winograd distributed a copy of his memo to the student body outlining various options for meeting the ABA's requirement of additional instructional days. After reviewing various options to add the necessary six days to the School of Law's academic calendar, general discussion ensued. Topics considered included the intent of this change and the expansion of Intersession curricular offerings. It was moved and seconded to amend the calendar as follows:

Fall Semester

1st-Year Students The three days of orientation will count as

class days.

Upperclass Students Three class days will be added after

Thanksgiving.

<u>Spring Semester</u> The School of Law will request that the

University allow classes to continue to meet for three days after Commencement. If such a request is denied, then Spring Semester classes will begin three days earlier.

The motion was discussed and an amendment was offered that the option of extending the Spring Semester calendar into Intersession not be included in discussions with the University. The motion passed unanimously as amended.

### Other Business:

Associate Dean Winograd reported that Barry Crutchfield, Chair of the New Mexico Board of Bar Examiners, wishes to meet with both the faculty and law students. A

likely meeting time with the faculty is Monday, February 18, 1991 at 4:00 PM. Faculty attendance and participation are strongly encouraged.

Associate Dean Winograd also announced that the School of Law has been asked to participate in a major national bar passage study being undertaken by the LSAC in cooperation with the ABA and other organizations. Major aspects of the study were discussed including the study's subjects, New Mexico Supreme Court participation, and the provision of academic data. Upon proper motion and second, the faculty voted unanimously to participate in this study.

Professor Fred Hart reported on the status of the Dean's search process. The closing date for applications is February 27, 1991 and the Committee is now meeting to review the current pool of applicants. A description of the job criteria will be provided to the faculty shortly and when the pool of finalists is determined, faculty members will be asked to review the files. It is hoped that this stage will be completed by the end of March.

Professor Ted Occhialino reminded those present that Interim Dean Utton will be the speaker at the faculty lunch on Wednesday. All were urged to attend.

# Petitions for Extension of Incompletes:

Professor Bergman presented a petition for second-year student Monica Gomez to extend her Summer 1990 Incomplete deadline for eight weeks since the paper will fulfill her thesis requirement. After proper motion and second the petition was granted. Professor Kelly requested a six-week extension of the Incomplete deadline from Summer 1990 for second-year student Steven Taylor. Because Mr. Taylor spent Fall Semester in the United Kingdom, he was unable to find adequate library materials necessary to complete his paper. After proper motion and second the petition was granted.

Interim Dean Utton announced that the next faculty meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 11, 1991.

The meeting was adjourned into a meeting of the Committee on Promotion and Tenure at  $5:20~\mathrm{pm}.$ 

E.A. Jenkins-Smith

Faculty Secretary



# The University of New Mexico

School of Law Office of the Dean 1117 Stanford NE Albuquerque, NM 87131-1431 (505) 277-4700

## MEMORANDUM

TO:

FROM:

LEO M. ROMERO, DEAN JANUARY ?

DATE:

SUBJECT:

FACULTY MEETING AGENDA

Faculty Meeting January 27, 1991 Dean's Conference Room 4:00 p.m.

- Approval of minutes of December 9, 1991. 1.
- 2. Dean's Report
- Fulbright Developments Em Hall 3.
- Ad-Hoc Writing Committee Report Ruth Kovnat 4. (This report has implications for the whole cirruculum, therefore you should all plan to attend the meeting)
- 5. Order of the Coif
- 6. Extending Incomplete Deadlines - Liz Jenkins-Smith
- 7. Report of the Faculty Appointments Committee



## The University of New Mexico

School of Law Office of the Dean 1117 Stanford NE Albuquerque, NM 87131-1431 (505) 277-4700

#### REVISED AGENDA

## MEMORANDUM

TO:

LAW FACULTY

FROM:

LEO M. ROMERO, DEAN

DATE:

JANUARY 27, 1991

SUBJECT:

FACULTY MEETING AGENDA

# Faculty Meeting January 27, 1991 Dean's Conference Room 4:00 p.m.

- 1. Approval of minutes of December 9, 1991.
- Dean's Report
- 3. Extending Incomplete Deadlines Liz Jenkins-Smith
- 4. Report of the Faculty Appointments Committee