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M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Law Faculty
FROM: Leo M. Romero, Dean
DATE: April 20, 1992
RE: Faculty Meeting Agenda

Faculty Meeting
April 20, 1992
Dean's Conference Room
4:00 p.m.

- ✓ 1. Approval of minutes of April 6, 1992
- ✓ 2. Thesis honors — Barbara B.
- ✓ 3. First year electives — PAW
- ✓ 4. Lotteries — ~~PAW~~ PAW & LIZ
- ✓ 5. Exam security — PAW
- ✓ 6. Spring schedule for first year classes PAW
- 7. Poole luncheon — changed ~~date~~ location
Alb Country Club

Dean's Report
Sherrill Berry
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Faculty Meeting Minutes
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PRESENT: Bergman, Browde, Burr, Desiderio, Ellis, J., Flickinger, Fort, Fritz, Godfrey, Gonzales, Hall, Hart, Jenkins-Smith, Kelly, Mathewson, Morse, Occhialino, Romero, Sanders, Scheible, Schwartz, Sedillo Lopez, and Winograd.

The meeting was called to order by Dean Leo Romero.

After proper motion and second, the minutes of the April 6, 1992 meeting were approved.

Dean's Report:

- Dean Romero thanked Professor Sherri Burr for her efforts in ensuring the success of last week's exchange with law students and faculty from Guanajuato, Mexico. In addition, law students James Cannizzo, Cherie Gonzales, and Linda Menon were lauded for their contributions to this successful effort.
- Budget prospects for the 1992-93 academic year were shared by Dean Romero. All colleges and schools have been given salary increases of \$325 per full-time-equivalent employee (FTE) plus an additional .006 (6/10 of one percent) for merit increases. The Dean has a meeting scheduled with Provost Risser to negotiate for a more generous allocation for the Law School.
- The Poole Firm has notified the School that the noon luncheon on April 23, 1992, to announce the endowment of a student award in honor of Bob Poole, has been moved to the Albuquerque Country Club. Dean Romero encouraged faculty attendance at this event.
- Ditch Day will be Friday, April 24, 1992 from 1:00 - 7:00 PM on the Law School Patio. There will be not be a group breakfast this year, although some faculty members may be asked out to breakfast by students.
- Associate Dean Peter Winograd asked that faculty let him know if they are not available to present awards at the Honors and Awards Banquet, scheduled for May 14, 1992. He will assume that individuals will be participating in this event unless told otherwise.
- Dean Romero was requested to give an update on the hiring status for the Indian Law position. Although nothing is settled at this time, the College of Education is interested in hiring the candidate's husband, Bob Weber. Ms. Valencia-Weber has indicated that she will accept our offer if her spouse finds employment in Albuquerque.

First-Year Electives:

The proposal of the Curriculum Committee to eliminate the first-year elective, tabled at the last faculty meeting pending input from the student meeting on the curriculum, was renewed. Professor Maureen Sanders reported that the Committee received no strong student preference regarding this proposal at the open meeting held on April 7th. It was then moved and seconded to retain first-year electives and keep the existing system

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whereby individual faculty members designate which Spring Semester courses are open to first-year student enrollment. The motion carried.

Report on Lotteries:

Associate Dean Winograd reported on the new policy regarding lotteries for limited enrollment courses. Fall semester lotteries will now be by sign-up in the Law School, rather than by registration on Main Campus. Sign-ups may be made in person, or by mail, in Janet Cox's office throughout the summer and the results will be posted before the beginning of the fall semester. Two fall semester courses, Evidence/Trial Practice and Summer Intersession Mediation Workshop, are exceptions to this policy. Special lotteries will be held early, on May 8, 1992, to designate which students will be allowed to participate in these courses. These exceptions preclude the participation of transfer students (who have not yet been admitted to the School of Law) in these two courses, and they will be told of this when they are admitted.

Spring semester lotteries will also be by sign-up, held before Thanksgiving as in the past. Spring semester lottery results will be posted before the end of fall semester. This policy was briefly discussed in addition to the related issues of waiting list problems and "locking students in" to their lotteried classes after a certain date.

After further discussion, it was suggested that the Fall semester lottery policy be amended such that the sign-up period end on the Thursday before the beginning of Fall semester so that lotteries may be run and results posted on Friday. This change would allow students to know their course options before the beginning of classes on Monday. The amendment was accepted.

Exam Security:

Associate Dean Winograd reminded the faculty that it is time to prepare final examinations for Spring semester. Members of the faculty were urged to use discretion and care when printing out copies of examinations on the printer in the Faculty Library since students have access to that area. A general discussion of various computer printers and their accessibility ensued. It was agreed that the printer in the Word Processing Area be used for exam printing during business hours. The printer in the Faculty Library is appropriate for after-hours use if faculty members remember to pick up their output immediately.

Spring Schedule for First-Year Classes:

Last year the faculty approved a plan to have Associate Dean Winograd schedule Torts, Civil Procedure I, and Legislative/Administrative Processes for an additional hour per week in the Spring semester with the intent that those professors use the extra hour in some weeks to compensate for cancelled classes due to Advocacy needs in other weeks. Because Associate Deans Winograd and Kovnat plan to prepare the 1992-93 schedule soon, the faculty were asked for their opinions about the degree of success this scheduling change had in the 1991-92 year and whether such scheduling should be continued. After discussion, the consensus of those present was that those professors assigned to teach first-year courses in the Spring of 1993 meet after the faculty meeting with Associate Dean Winograd and decide if they wish to continue such scheduling or make any adjustments in the scheduling of first-year courses.

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Thesis Honors:

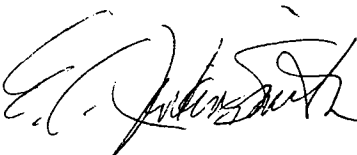
Professor Barbara Bergman presented the nominations for 1991 Thesis Honors from the Honors and Awards Committee:

Thomas Hagerman	"A Report Card for the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act as the End of its Implementation Period Arrives."
Dennis S. Hazlett	"New Mexico Constitutional Law, Redefining the Role of the Governor's Line Item Veto Power in the Context of the General Appropriation Act: <u>Coll v. Carruthers.</u> "
Suzanne Lubar	"Does a Defense Attorney Have a Right to Engage in <i>Ex Parte</i> Communications with Plaintiff's Attending Physician."
Judith A. Luck	"Diversion of Nevada's Truckee River Foreshadow Doom for Endangered Species."
Jamie McAlister	"The New Mexico Tort Claims Act: The King Can Do 'Little' Wrong."
Jolene McCaleb	"Combatting HIV Discrimination in the Military: <u>David v. Goliath.</u> "
Gaelle McConnell	"The Medical Use of Human Fetal Tissue: Where Ethics, Policy and Interests Collide."

In addition, Professor Bergman announced that papers by Mr. Hazlett, Ms. McAlister, and Ms. McCaleb were selected by the outside judges to receive writing prizes.

Thesis honors notations will be placed on each of the individual's transcripts. Also a notice of these awards will be placed in the Bar Bulletin and copies of the papers will be made available to interested members of the Bar. After proper motion and second, the nominations of the Committee were accepted as presented.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:05 PM.



E.A. Jenkins-Smith
Faculty Secretary