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MEMORANDUM

TO:

FACULTY

FROM:

LEO M. ROMERO, DEAN

DATE:

JULY 13, 1992

SUBJECT:

1992 FALL SEMESTER

FACULTY MEETING SCHEDULE

OUR FACULTY MEETINGS FOR THE 1992 FALL SEMESTER WILL BE HELD IN THE DEAN'S CONFERENCE ROOM AT 4:00 P.M. ON THE FOLLOWING MONDAYS.

AUGUST 24, 1992 SEPTEMBER 14, 1992 SEPTEMBER 28, 1992 OCTOBER 12, 1992 OCTOBER 26, 1992 NOVEMBER 9, 1992 (Room 3211) NOVEMBER 23, 1992 DECEMBER 7, 1922



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August 19, 1992

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FACULTY MEETING AGENDA

Faculty Meeting August 24, 1992 Dean's Conference Room 4:00 p.m.

Approval of minutes of April 20, 1992, May 4, 1992 and July 9, 1992 Dean's Report Admissions Report Post-Thanksgiving Class Schedule Faculty Approval of Student Registration Cards - Students Advising Election of UNM Representative to the AALS House Of Representatives * Welcome Grading for Legal Analysis Workshop

Gordon Russell's Request for Transfer

Interpretation of Standard 402 (b) 9. (see attachment)

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- V10. Request for Comments Concerning Proposed Executive Committee Regulation 2.2 Clarifying Bylaw Section 6-3, Duration of J.D. Program (see attachment)
- 11. Certification of Graduation Honors Spring 1992
- //12. Order of the Coif (1991-92)

Faculty Meeting Minutes School of Law Dean's Conference Room, 4:00 PM RECEIVED SET - 9 1992

PRESENT: Bergman, Browde, Burr, Clark, Cook, Desiderio, DuMars, Ellis, W., Flickinger, Fort, Fritz, Gill, Gonzales, Hall, Hart, Jenkins-Smith, Kovnat, Lester, MacPherson, Martinez, Montoya, Occhialino, Parnall, Price, Romero, Sanders, Scheible, Sedillo Lopez, Taylor, Utton, Valencia-Weber, Weber, and Winograd.

Student Representative: Storey.

The meeting was called to order by Dean Leo Romero.

After proper motion and second, the minutes of the following faculty meetings were approved as distributed: April 20, 1992, May 4, 1992 and July 9, 1992.

Dean's Report:

- Dean Romero welcomed the faculty for the new academic year and introduced visiting faculty members Margaret Montoya, Gloria Valencia-Weber, Bob Weber and Eugene Clark. Also welcomed in absentia was visiting professor Angela Martinez. Professors Ted Parnall and Mike Norwood were welcomed back from leave. In addition, Professor Chuck DuMars has returned to full-time status.
- The faculty joined Dean Romero in recognizing and congratulating Professors Suedeen Kelly, Antoinette Sedillo Lopez, and Maureen Sanders, who have all been granted tenure and promotion to full professor, and Law Librarian Lorraine Lester, who has been promoted to Associate Professor.
- The Ford Foundation Public International Law Lecture Series will conclude during the month of September with three final lectures. The Reverend William Sloane Coffin will speak on Monday, September 14, 1992 on the struggle for global unity. Professor Lea Brilmayer of the New York University School of Law will speak on "The Extraterritorial Application of U.S. Criminal Law" on Monday, September 21, 1992. Finally, Professor Glenn Reynolds from the University of Tennessee School of Law will speak on Monday, September 28, 1992 on space law. All lectures begin at 7:30 PM in the Bondurant Lecture Hall, Room 2401. Professor Sherri Burr announced that there will be a reception to celebrate the successful conclusion of this Ford Foundation grant on September 13, 1992 from 5:00 - 7:00 PM at the home of Professor Dick Gonzales. All were invited to attend.
- · Associate Dean Ruth Kovnat announced that the faculty lunch series will resume on Mondays from 12:20 - 2:00 PM in the faculty lounge. Each of the invited speakers in the Ford Foundation Public International Law Lecture Series will speak during their visits at the School of Law. In addition, there will be a discussion of the Women in Law Task Force Report on Monday, August 31, 1992. Faculty members were asked to RSVP to Trish Bianchi to confirm lunch orders for each of these events.
- The faculty were invited to a party in honor of returning, visiting, and adjunct faculty members. This event is scheduled for Friday, August 28, 1992 at 7:00 PM at the Romero home. RSVPs to Trish Bianchi were requested.

- Dean Romero shared a note he received from Professor Rob Schwartz who is visiting in Tasmania for the Fall Semester. The faculty were pleased to learn that Rob has received a European Regional Fulbright Prize for study in Granada, Spain during the spring of 1993.
- Ricardo Gonzales, Class of 1991, recently sent a letter to Dean Romero expressing his appreciation for the legal education he received at the UNM School of Law. Dean Romero shared his thanks with the faculty.
- The Federal District Court recently adopted a clinical law student practice rule which closely tracks the State's student practice rule. This will allow student externs to represent clients under the supervision of the Federal Public Defender. Copies of the new rules are available from Clinical Director, Jose Martinez, or Dean Romero.
- The American University Journal of Gender and Law has put out a call for papers. See Dean Romero for details as well as subscription information.
- Professor Mike Norwood and Associate Dean Peter Winograd were congratulated on the recently published ABA Task Force Report on Law Schools and the Profession: Narrowing the Gap. Professor Norwood served as Reporter and Associate Dean Winograd as Vice Chair of the Task Force.
- Dean Romero announced that the U.S. Congress has approved appropriations for both CLEO and clinical grants programs. Thus ongoing funding is anticipated for CLEO summer programs as well as the Institute for Access to Justice.
- The faculty were reminded that summer grades are due to Liz Jenkins-Smith and should be turned in to her as soon as possible.
- The 1992 Medical/Legal Day has been scheduled for the morning of Tuesday, August 25, 1992. Lunch for participants will be served in the Forum. First-year morning and 1:00 PM classes are cancelled during this event, but LRRW will meet as scheduled.
- Various visiting faculty positions, deanships, and fellowships are currently open around the country. The folder with announcements and other information is available from Trish Bianchi.
- Dean Romero asked that members of the faculty remember to return any furniture removed from a classroom back to its original location so as not to inconvenience other classes and groups using the classroom.
- Associate Dean Winograd reported on the parking situation. Unfortunately the situation has regressed since the meeting on Friday, August 21, 1992 with Mr. Leon Ward of Parking Services. The names of those faculty and staff who not yet gotten 'L' stickers have been reported to Parking Services, which has agreed to investigate the problem and report back. In addition, it was reported that a shuttle bus will stop at ten-minute intervals at the four-way stop at Tucker and Mountain to accommodate those forced to park in the 'G' lot. This situation was discussed, particularly the degree of unhappiness within the student body about the lack of access and cooperation from Parking Services.

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Report of the Admissions Committee:

Professor Michael Browde reported that the entering class consists of 106 students.

Men	44
Women	62
African Americans	5
Asians	5
Hispanics	33
Native Americans	5
White	53
No Response	5

Professor Browde reported that the Committee is pleased with the number of African American matriculants: of the eight admitted, five enrolled. However, an issue of concern to the Committee is Native American enrollment. 19 Native Americans were admitted but only five matriculated at the UNM School of Law. While this is good for the legal profession in general, examining our recruiting efforts was suggested. Recruiting was discussed, as was UNM's available financial aid for Native Americans compared to other law schools'. The Financial Aid Committee was asked to discuss this issue and bring back a recommendation to the faculty before March 1993.

Designation of Class Days After Thanksgiving:

Associate Dean Winograd presented the history of additional class days in the Fall Semester and reviewed last year's accommodation for second- and third-year courses. Because this arrangement was successful last year, it will be repeated for Fall Semester 1992. Thus, Monday classes will meet on Monday, November 30, 1992; Thursday classes will meet on Tuesday, December 1, 1992; and Friday classes will meet on Wednesday, December 2, 1992.

Faculty Approval of Student Registration Cards:

The faculty rule that each student's registration card be signed as approved by a School of Law faculty member was reviewed by Associate Dean Winograd. Discussion included student perceptions of this rule and views about the desired extent of faculty advisement.

Election of UNM Representative to the AALS House of Representative:

Professor Sheryl Scheible was nominated to serve as the UNM School of Law's Representative to the AALS House of Representatives. After she agreed to serve, the motion was seconded and she was elected by acclamation.

Grading of Legal Analysis Workshop:

Professor Garrett Flickinger discussed the status of grading Programmed Studies courses and distributed handouts with historical information relating to this program (see attached). The faculty discussed the advantages and disadvantages of mandated grading structures or grade point averages to assure similar grading outcomes between the sections of designated

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Programmed Studies courses. A motion was made and amended to give the Curriculum Committee the charge of examining the Programmed Studies program with regard to its continuation and designating an appropriate grading schema. A Committee report would be due to the faculty by March 1, 1993. After proper second, the motion carried. A second motion was made to change the existing 1985 grading rule such that Professor Scheible may assign letter grades to this year's cohort in Section Three of Property I. After proper second, the motion carried.

Request for Transfer:

Associate Dean Winograd reported that Assistant Law Library Professor Gordon Russell has requested admission to the UNM School of Law as a part-time transfer student. Professor Russell possesses a Canadian law degree and wishes to take courses so that he may earn an American Juris Doctor. Associate Dean Winograd discussed the background of Professor Russell's situation and related existing precedents with former foreign transfer students who have earned a UNM J.D. degree. The faculty were asked to decide on Russell's request because his intent to continue to work full-time in the Law Library while taking courses on a part-time basis raises important policy questions about part-time law study. Discussion included the following issues: requests from other students to study on a part-time basis in order to work full-time have been denied, the impact on the Law Library, and compliance with ABA Standards on employment and part-time study. A motion was made to approve Professor Russell's admission as a part-time transfer student with the specific number of credit hours required to complete the Juris Doctor degree to be determined by the Administration. After proper second, the motion carried.

Request for Comments Concerning Proposed Regulation on Duration of J.D. Program:

Dean Romero presented the AALS proposal (see attached) which would specify a certain minimum and maximum period in which a Juris Doctor degree could be earned. The AALS has requested comments on this proposal. After discussion, it was moved and seconded to oppose this proposal. The question was called and the motion carried.

Certification of Graduation Honors:

The faculty, upon proper motion and second, formally awarded the following honors to members of the graduating class of May 1992:

CUM LAUDE: J. Gary Biddle, Michael J. Dekleva, Rosemary L. Dillon, Ofelia I. Garcia, Ellen T. Louderbough, Jamie McAlister, Reed S. Sheppard, Andrew J. Simons, Claudia D. Work, and Leif C. Youngberg.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 PM.

E.A. Jenkins-Smith Faculty Secretary

ORDER OF THE COIF

The faculty, having dissolved into a meeting of the UNM School of Law Chapter of the Order of the Coif, voted to extend membership to the following students who are to be honored as the top ten percent of 113 UNM School of Law graduates for the period June 1, 1991 through May 31, 1992:

J. Gary Biddle, Michael J. Dekleva, Rosemary L. Dillon, Ofelia I. Garcia, Ellen T. Louderbough, Jamie McAlister, Maria O'Brien, Reed S. Sheppard, Andrew J. Simons, Claudia D. Work, and Leif C. Youngberg.

2.2 The Juris Doctor Degree Program in Special <u>Circumstances</u>. Schools may modify the normal duration of their Juris Doctor program to accommodate special circumstances of individual students. For example, school that offer only a full-time program may establish a parttime program for an individual student with special needs. Thus, a law school may authorize a student to graduate in more than six semesters if a full-time student, or eight semesters if a part-time student, if that student needs to take a reduced course load for one or more semesters. Similarly, a law school may authorize a student to graduat: in fewer than six semesters if a full-time student, or eigh semesters if a part-time student, if that student carried 2 heavy course load in one or more semesters. In order to attain the goals of Bylaw Section 6-3(a), however, a member school shall establish minimum and maximum limits on the duration of its J.D. program to assure that a student completes his or her course of study within a reasonable time.

COMMENTARY: This regulation addresses the course of study for an individual student. This provision is intended to assure that member schools have flexibility to design programs (permitting graduation in less than or more than the standard six semesters for a full-time student, for example) to meet the special needs of individual students. Thus this regulation serves to clarify that Bylaw Section 6-3(b) does not preclude schools that offer only a full-time program from establishing a part-time program for an individual student with special needs (e.g., a student with disabilities or one with family responsibilities).

In authorizing the acceleration or deceleration of graduation for a particular student, no specific limits are established. For example, there is no specific prohibition against awarding a J.D. degree to a student who does not complete a course of study in a specified number of years. Instead, proposed Executive Committee Regulation 2.2 requires that a member school establish "reasonable" limits. Thus, while a school is required under proposed Executive Committee Regulation

2.2 to set some limits for authorizing accaleration or deceleration of graduation dates for a particular student, what those limits are is left to a member school's discretion, as long as the limits are reasonable. The requirement that a school establish some minimum/maximum limit is in response to the Executive Committee's view that sufficient rigor and scope of study cannot be achieved if the course of a student's study is spread out over too long a period, or is concentrated in too short a period to allow time for reflection. It is left to the site evaluation team and the Accreditation Committee to determine whether the minimum and maximum limits that a particular school has chosen for the duration of its J.D. program are reasonable.

Current ECR 2.2 only permits residence study credit for a full-time student if that student is enrolled in a schedule requiring at least 10 class hours a week (which has been a requirement since 1900), and receives credit for at least 9 class hours; equivalent rules are provided for part-time students. Is the requirement that the law school adopt "reasonable" minimum/maximum rules in proposed ECR 2.2 sufficient? The Executive Committee is particularly interested in receiving comments on whether the regulation should say anything at all regarding maximum or minimum limits and, if so, whether it should be more specific.

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Prog Studies Grades - History

School of Law Faculty Meeting April 29, 1985 Conference Room, 4PM

Present: Bejnar, Block, Bowler, Browde, Desiderio, DuMars, Ellis, W., Fink, Goldberg, Hall, Hart, Hermann, Hernandez, Johnson, Kounat, MacPherson, Mathewson, Occhialino, Parnall, Romero, Scales, Steinmetz, Taylor, Teitelbaum, Utton, Winograd.

Student Reps: Gomez (3d Yr.)

Minutes of the April 22 faculty meeting were approved as written.

Upon proper motion and second the faculty voted to approve recommendations outlined in the attached memorandum from the Ad Hoc Committee on Programmed Studies.

A motion to base award of Order of the Coif on academic performance through the end of the fifth semester was defeated by a vote of faculty members of the order.

A previously tabled recommendation from the Honors and Awards Committee proposing creation of a 'Certificate of Academic Merit' award was rejected by faculty vote.

Dean Desiderio announced the promotion of Scott Taylor to Associate Professor.

The meeting concluded with a prolonged round of applause for the contributions of Bob Desiderio to the School of Law during his tenure as Dean.

The meeting adjourned at 5PM.

E. K. Euge, Faculty Secretary

Memo to Faculty

From Programmed Studies Ad Hoc Committee

April 26, 1985

The committee met this morning on short notice to consider how Programmed Studies should be offered next year. Present at the meeting were Ted Parnall, Ted Occhialino, Kelly Skehan and Fred Hart. Alfred Mathewson was also invited to discuss how he would prefer to teach the course next year.

The committee recommends the following to the faculty:

- 1. Programmed studies be offered again next year, but that the name of the course be changed to "Legal Analysis Workshop."
- 2. The course be in substitution for Introduction to the Legislative and Administrative Process. Alfred will, however, assign the book to be used in LEg. & Adm. Proc. and develop his materials off that book. He is confident that the students will have a basic understanding of the materials covered in that course from the course called Legal Analysis Workshop.
- 3. Legal Analysis Workshop be made optional in the following manner:
- a. A number of spaces for the course should be determined prior to the beginning of the semester, probably 25.
- b. Those students who would have been assigned to the course in prioor years be given preference in taking the course, and encouraged to do so.
- c. Other students be given the option of taking the course on a space available basis. If some of those who are given preference do not elect the course, then other students will be selected, on a lottery basis if there are more who would like to take it than we have spaces.
- 4. The course will be graded credit/D/F. It will carry the same number of credit as Leg/Adm Process.