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MEMORANDUM

TO:

LAW FACULTY

FROM:

LEO M. ROMERO, DEAN

DATE:

February 1, 1993

SUBJECT:

FACULTY MEETING AGENDA

Faculty Meeting
February 1, 1993
Dean's Conference Room
4:00 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes of January 25, 1992

2. Dean's Report

3. Law Library Director Search - Search Committee's Recommendation

5. Strategic Plan & Law School Budget Request

5. Self-Study Discussion

- Admissions
- Students
- Evaluation of Output

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

PRESENT: Bergman, Burr, Desiderio, DuMars, Ellis, J., Fort, Fritz, Gill, Hall, Hart, Jenkins-Smith, Kovnat, Lester, MacPherson, Norwood, Occhialino, Parnall, Price, Romero, Russell, Sanders, Scheible, Sedillo Lopez, Taylor, Utton, Valencia-Weber, and Winograd.

Student Representatives: Kingen and Leavengood.

The meeting was called to order by Dean Leo Romero.

After proper motion and second, the minutes of the January 25, 1993 faculty meeting were approved.

Dean's Report:

- Dean Romero urged members of the faculty to submit their Fall Semester 1992 grades to Liz Jenkins-Smith as soon as possible.
- Senator Jeff Bingaman has asked Dean Romero to chair a panel to screen applicants for the positions of U.S. Attorney and Federal District Court Judge in New Mexico. Senator Bingaman has requested five final candidates for each position. Because candidates will be asked to contact the ten-person commission by February 19, 1993, the Dean is confident that the panel's activities will be of a short duration.
- The Dean joined Professor Maureen Sanders in congratulating the two law student teams which competed in the Frederick Douglass Moot Court Competition Regionals in Dallas last weekend. K. Davette Thomas (3), Delbert Jenkins (2), Samia Amamoo (1), and Melony Harper (1) ably represented UNM and the Black Law Students Association. The faculty commended these students for their efforts and also thanked Professor Sanders for her assistance to the teams.
- St. Thomas University is interested in hiring several faculty for Summer 1993 courses. The folder with additional information about these and other faculty positions and deanships is available from Trish Bianchi.

Law Library Director Search:

Professors Chris Fritz and Al Utton presented the report of the Law Library Director Search Committee. Interviews have been completed with the candidates for this position, and the Committee met last Friday to review the comments and input received about each candidate. Evaluative comments compiled from the candidates' interviews were then distributed for review. The Committee unanimously recommended that an offer be extended to Steven M. Barkan (Marquette University Law School) for the Law Library Directorship. The Committee further reported that if Mr. Barkan declines the post the Dean would be asked to invite additional candidates to the Law School for interviews. Dean Romero then reported on his discussions with Mr. Barkan regarding his preferences for an

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Rodey Theater on Main Campus, will be available for \$6.00 each. All faculty were encouraged to attend.

- The faculty joined Professor Robert Desiderio in congratulating Professor Vera Norwood of American Studies on the recent publication of her book.
- Dean Romero reminded the faculty of the various events scheduled as part of the 1993 Simms Lecture featuring U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor. Justice O'Connor will be speaking at 7:00 PM, Thursday, February 4, 1993 in the Kiva Auditorium at the Albuquerque Convention Center. There will be a reception at 5:15 PM in Ballroom C for invited guests. Dean Romero invited all faculty to this reception and encouraged them to actively participate in other events scheduled during her visit. Members of the faculty were asked to RSVP soon to Trish Bianchi regarding the faculty lunch scheduled for Friday, February 5th. Associate Dean Ruth Kovnat described the process to determine which students would be seated in Room 2401 versus the overflow space and reminded faculty that space will be available for them in Room 2401 for this lecture.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 PM.

E.A. Jenkins-Smith Faculty Secretary