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MEMORANDUM

TO:

LAW FACULTY

FROM:

LEO M. ROMERO, DEAN

DATE:

August 19, 1994

SUBJECT:

FACULTY MEETING AGENDA

Faculty Meeting August 22, 1994 Dean's Conference Room 4:00 p.m.

- 1. Approval of Minutes of May 16, 1994, Faculty Meeting
- 2. Dean's Report
- 3. Approval of Graduation List
- 4. Approval of Indian Law Certificate Program Action Item
- 5. Moot Court for Transfer Students Peter A. Winograd
- 6. Admission Committee Report
- 7. Practice Exam, October 10
- 8. Half-Time Placement Director
- 9. Late Grades
- 10. Financial Aid Committee Report



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1994 FALL SEMESTER FACULTY MEETING SCHEDULE

OUR FACULTY MEETINGS FOR THE 1994 FALL SEMESTER WILL BE HELD IN THE DEAN'S CONFERENCE ROOM AT 4:00 P.M. ON THE FOLLOWING MONDAYS:

AUGUST 22, 1994 AUGUST 29, 1994 SEPTEMBER 12, 1994 SEPTEMBER 26, 1994 OCTOBER 10, 1994 OCTOBER 24, 1994 NOVEMBER 7, 1994 NOVEMBER 21, 1994 DECEMBER 5, 1994

LMR:mb

- 11. Military Recruiting
- 12. Legislative Days in Fall Semester
- 13. New Business

LMR:mb

August 22, 1994

Faculty Meeting Minutes
School of Law
Dean's Conference Room, 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Anspach, Browde, Deloria, Desiderio, DuMars, Ellis, W., Fritz, Gill, Gomez,

Gonzales, Hall, Harrison, Hermann, MacPherson, Martinez, Mathewson, Montoya, Occhialino, Pearson, Romero, Schwartz, Sedillo Lopez, Utton,

Valencia-Weber, Winograd, Wolf, Zuni.

ABSENT: Bergman, Eiriksson, Fort, Hart, Kelly, Norwood, Scales, Taylor.

Student Representatives: Henry Alaniz

Others: Susan Mitchell

The meeting was called to order by Dean Leo Romero.

After proper motion and second, the minutes of the May 16, 1994, meeting were approved as written.

Dean's Report:

Dean Romero welcomed Visiting Professors Melissa Harrison of the University of Montana and Placido Gomez of Texas Southern, both two-semester visitors, to the School of Law.

Dean Romero welcomed back Professors Charles DuMars, Chris Fritz, and Antoinette Sedillo Lopez from sabbatical leave.

The Faculty joined the Dean in congratulating Sheryl Scheible Wolf on her appointment as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs.

Dean Romero announced that Professor Frank Gill has been selected for a Fulbright Scholar award in Russia.

Dean Romero reported that Professor Emeritus Myron Fink has moved to Bellingham, Washington, and that his address will be on file in the Dean's office.

Dean Romero announced that the Provost has approved tenure and promotion to the rank of Professor for Sherri Burr and Eileen Cohen.

Dean Romero announced that Ruth Kovnat has been selected as the 1994-95 Regents' Professor and Gloria Valencia Weber has been chosen as the 1994-95 Regents' Lecturer.

James Grayson, 3L, has won third place in the ABA Family Law section's annual writing competition. His paper was on international child custody issues.

Dean Romero received a letter from Regent Roberta Ramo thanking the faculty of the law school for the resolution they passed supporting and encouraging her as President-Elect of the ABA and commenting on graduation.

Various faculty and deanship positions are currently available around the country. Further information on these positions are at Margaret Banek's desk in the Dean's office.

Dean Romero announced that the School of Public Administration is releasing Professor Jose Rivera from one-third of his teaching responsibilities for the coming academic year in order that he may serve on a project for the Natural Resources Center. Dean Romero asked that faculty members interested in serving as the law school co-director of the NRC contact him. Professor Lee Brown from Economics is the current director.

Approval of Graduation List:

Dean Romero presented Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd's memo of August 9, 1994, to Dennis Davies-Wilson and asked the faculty to approve the attached list of 1994 graduates. Professor Michael Browde moved to approve the list as presented. The motion was seconded by Professor Bill Ellis, and when voted on, it carried.

Approval of Indian Law Certificate Program:

Dean Romero reminded the faculty of the memo from Professor Maureen Sanders dated June 17 spelling out the policies of the Indian Law Certificate Program and requesting comments by June 28. As no comments had been received, the faculty was asked to approve the program as detailed in the memo. Professor Bill MacPherson moved to approve the Program as written, and Sherry Scheible Wolf seconded the motion. When voted on, it carried. Professor Gloria Valencia Weber stated that retroactive notices would be distributed immediately to second- and third-year law students.

Moot Court for Transfer Students:

Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd reported that five of the seven incoming transfer students have not had any moot court experience at their previous law school. They will be required to participate in one of the competitions for moot court positions on teams approved by the Curriculum Committee, present an oral argument, and write a brief which will have to be approved by the appropriate faculty supervisor (Professors Frank Gill, Ann Scales, or Denise Fort).

Associate Dean Winograd also reported that he had received a written request from John Wertheim to take a reduced class load in order that he may accept a position he has been offered to manage Governor Bruce King's campaign. Dean Winograd advised the faculty that the policy on attending law school part time will be reviewed this fall, but that a

decision will need to be made on this request immediately. Professor Michael Browde moved to approve the request with reservations, as Mr. Wertheim will not be able to take the bar exam in July because of clinic program responsibilities, and to advise Mr. Wertheim to take a leave of absence. Professor Al Utton seconded the motion, and when voted on, the motion failed. Professor Dick Gonzales moved to approve the request as stated. The motion was seconded by Professor Michael Hermann, and when voted on, it failed. Dean Winograd stated that he will inform Mr. Wertheim that he will not be permitted to take a reduced class load during the fall semester.

Dean Winograd announced that Laszlo Schuster, visiting student from Australia, was accepted by Professor Eiriksson as the 13th student in International Criminal Law.

Legislative Days in Fall Semester:

Dean Winograd stated that in order to compensate for the 5 class days missed for the holidays in the fall semester, the following schedule will be in effect for the week after Thanksgiving:

Monday, November 28 Tuesday, November 29 Wednesday, November 30 Thursday, December 1 Friday, December 2 Monday classes Thursday classes Friday classes Thursday classes Friday classes

Practice Exam, October 10:

Dean Winograd announced that the practice exam will be given October 10 and that all first-year classes will be cancelled on that day.

Dean Winograd also reminded faculty of the attendance policies of the School as stated in Dean Romero's memo of August 15, 1994.

Admission Committee Report:

Susan Mitchell, Director of Admission, reported that there are 107 students in the class of 1997, 49 men and 58 women. There are 91 residents and 16 non-residents. The ethnic breakdown of the class is 4 African Americans, 13 Native Americans, 4 Asian/Pacific Islanders, 23 Hispanics, 59 White, and 6 unknown.

Financial Aid Committee Report:

Susan Mitchell reported that so far 53 grant awards have been awarded, with 15 yet to review. As of this date, \$114,840 has been awarded.

Late Grades:

Dean Romero stated that third-year students had expressed their concerns over the lateness of the spring semester grades and reported that it had caused them problems in finding employment. The Dean reminded faculty members that turning in grades to the Registrar in 30 days needs to be a priority.

Military Recruiting:

Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd announced that he had received a letter from the Army JAG Corps asking to recruit on premises at the law school with the statement that they do not "illegally" discriminate. It was the consensus of the faculty that if they are not willing to sign the equal opportunity statement as written, they should be refused space in the law school to recruit.

Half-Time Placement Director:

Dean Romero reported that the law school has received funding from the Provost's office for a half-time placement director, with a request that we consult with Anderson Schools of Management to see if it is feasible for the two schools to share a placement director. Dean Romero and Associate Dean Winograd met with ASM Interim Dean Howard Smith and other placement staff, but it was not a viable option. The law school will post the half-time position as "J.D. preferred, but not obligatory."

Associate Dean Sheryl Scheible Wolf announced that faculty lunches will begin again Wednesday, August 31, and that Greg Franchini will be the speaker.

Professor Rob Schwartz announced that Law and Medicine Day is scheduled for Friday, September 23, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Professor Antoinette Sedillo Lopez announced that there will be a Guanajuato Consortium meeting on Thursday, August 25, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Dean Romero announced that the Semester in Practice proposal written by Professor Mike Norwood has been funded by the Department of Education.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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