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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Law School Faculty

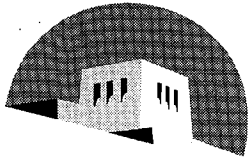
**FROM:** Leo M. Romero, Dean 

**DATE:** March 30, 1995

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The faculty meeting scheduled for Monday, April 3, is canceled, and is rescheduled for Monday, April 10, at 4:00 p.m. The April 10 meeting is a very important one as Honors and Awards will be on the agenda.


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**TO:** LAW FACULTY  
**FROM:** LEO M. ROMERO, DEAN   
**DATE:** April 6, 1995  
**SUBJECT:** FACULTY MEETING AGENDA

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**Faculty Meeting  
Monday, April 10, 1995  
Dean's Conference Room  
4:00 p.m.**

1. Approval of Minutes of March 27, 1995, Faculty Meeting
2. Dean's Report
3. Honors and Awards - Maureen Sanders
4. Natural Resources Center Recommendations - Chuck DuMars
5. Policy on Course Assignments for Faculty - Action Item
6. New Business

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The Committee on Promotion and Tenure will meet immediately after the faculty meeting regarding the Paul Nathanson appointment.

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April 10, 1995

Faculty Meeting Minutes

School of Law

Dean's Conference Room, 4:00 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Anspach, Browde, Desiderio, DuMars, Gomez, Gonzales, Hall, Harrison, MacPherson, Martinez, Mathewson, Montoya, Norwood, Occhialino, Rapaport, Romero, Sanders, Schwartz, Sedillo Lopez, Seielstad, Taylor, Utton, Valencia-Weber, Wolf

**ABSENT:** Beyer, Fort, Fritz, Gill, Hermann, Kelly, Pearson, Scales, Winograd, Zuni

Student Representatives: Henry Alaniz, Jama Fisk

The meeting was called to order by Dean Leo Romero.

A motion was made by Jama Fisk and seconded by Professor Rob Schwartz to approve the minutes of the March 27, 1995, faculty meeting as distributed. When voted on, the motion carried.

**Dean's Report:**

Michele Estrada (3L) has been awarded the J.H. Beal Award from the American Society of Pharmacy Lawyers this year for her paper on pharmacist liability. She has been invited to a meeting of the American Pharmacy Association to deliver her paper.

The 1994 Faculty Publications and Creative Works is now being compiled by the Provost's Office. Law Faculty are urged to get theirs in to Associate Dean Sheryl Wolf right away.

Law professors from the Universidad de Granada will be visiting the Law School on Monday, April 17 and Tuesday, April 18. They will be speaking on aspects of European Community Law in the Moot Court room from 4:00 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. on those days.

John Arango, the Law School facilitator, will present his report at a special meeting of the faculty on Monday, May 15, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Bobo Room of Hodgkin Hall. Because some faculty members said they would be unavailable on that date, Dean Romero said he would move the meeting to another date.

The Law School has made an offer to Kathleen Potter for the position of Placement Director. She has accepted the offer and will start May 1.

Dean Leo Romero reported he had received a check for \$5,000 for the Law School's share of the CLE programs coordinated by Peter Weber and Steve Meilleur.

Dean Romero reported that there had been an incident of graffiti in one of the women's restrooms which seriously attacked and maligned a faculty member here at the Law School. After discussion, Professor Scott Taylor made a motion on behalf of the Law School faculty to deplore the graffiti. The motion was seconded by Professor Chuck DuMars, and when voted on, the motion carried. It was the consensus of the faculty that a memo should go out from the dean regarding the incident, stating in the strongest possible terms the faculty's response to this.

Dean Romero reported that the amount allotted to the University for increases in faculty salaries will be 2.75% for all units. The 4% tuition differential will be returned to the Law School from here forward, and will be earmarked for the law library, for a full-time writing director, and to increase faculty salaries to bring them up closer to those of our peer institutions. Professor Chuck DuMars suggested that the Dean formally appeal to a higher level the denial of a request for market adjustment of faculty salaries.

The Legislature has appropriated \$50,000 to the Law School for U.S. - Mexico legal education initiatives.

Professor Sheryl Wolf has informed Dean Romero that she will not continue as Associate Dean for Academic Affairs next year. Dean Romero expressed his appreciation for the work she has done for the Law School this year.

#### **Policy on Course Assignments for Faculty:**

Dean Romero called for a vote on the following motion tabled at the last faculty meeting: "In order to assure that the curricular needs of the Law School are met, each full-time faculty member must accept one teaching assignment per academic year at the request of the Curriculum Committee independent of the preference of the faculty member. If fewer than all faculty in any given academic year are called upon to take such an assignment, those faculty who are not called upon to accept such an assignment in one year shall be first called upon in the following year(s) to accept such an assignment so that all faculty share equally in the responsibility to assure that curricular needs are met. Exceptions to this rule shall be rare and shall occur only on a 2/3 vote of the entire faculty." The motion carried, with nine votes in favor, four votes against, and twelve abstentions.

#### **Computer Use on Take-Home Exams:**

Professor Scott Taylor reported that the Student Affairs Committee recommends that the status quo be preserved; that is, that computers not be used on take-home exams until the Law School has enough computers to provide access to every student or until the Dean can explore the possibility of providing laptop computers through student financial aid.

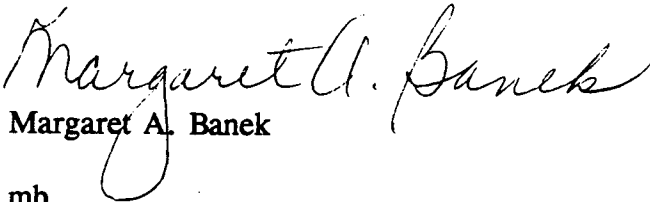
Professor Maureen Sanders moved that entering law students be required to have a computer so that it would be included in their financial aid budget. The motion was seconded by Professor Robert Desiderio. Professor Maureen Sanders then moved to table the motion until the next regular faculty meeting. When voted on, the motion carried.

**Honors and Awards:**

Professor Maureen Sanders distributed the nominations of the Honors and Awards Committee and discussed the process they went through for each student named.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Margaret A. Banek

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