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MEMORANDUM

TO:

LAW FACULTY

FROM:

LEO M. ROMERO, DEAN

DATE:

March 14, 1996

SUBJECT:

FACULTY MEETING

Faculty Meeting Agenda Monday, March 18, 1996 Dean's Conference Room 4:00 p.m.

- 1. Approval of Minutes of February 26, 1996, Faculty Meeting
- Dean's Report
 Introduction of Provost William C. Gordon
- 3. Report on Career Services Kathy Potter
- 4. Report on Development Jan Hosea
- 5. Plans for Program on Hate Speech Report Item
- 6. Proposed Criminal Defense Clinic Curriculum Committee
- 7. Military Recruitment at the Law School Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd

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March 18, 1996

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

PRESENT: Anspach, Bergman, Browde, Burr, Desiderio, DuMars, Ellis, Fort, Fritz,

Gill, Gonzales, Hall, Hart, Hermann, Kelly, Kovnat, MacPherson, Mathewson, Montoya, Norwood, Occhialino, Romero, Sedillo Lopez,

Seielstad, Taylor, Valencia-Weber, Winograd, Wolf, Zuni

Student Representatives: Bernice Galloway, K.C. Maxwell

Others: Provost William C. Gordon

ABSENT: Blumenfeld, Creel, Martinez, Moore, Rapaport, Schwartz, Simmons

The meeting was called to order by Dean Leo Romero.

After proper motion and second, the minutes of the February 26, 1996, meeting were approved as amended by Professor Sherri Burr.

Dean's Report:

Dean Romero announced that he had received a complimentary letter of appreciation for Professor Ann Scales' visit to the University of Calgary in February.

Professor Barbara Bergman will be a Team Leader for the 1996 NITA National Session at the University of Colorado School of Law in July.

Professor Alfred Mathewson gave a presentation titled "The Future of Salary Caps in Professional Sports" at the Ninth Annual Sport, Physical Education, Recreation, and Law Conference in Albuquerque on March 8, 1996.

Professors Margaret Montoya and Christine Zuni will be panelists at the 1996 Southwestern and Southeastern People of Color Legal Scholarship Conference on May 30 - June 2.

Dean Romero congratulated Professor Zuni on her change of status from Visiting Professor to Assistant Professor of Law.

Professor Rob Schwartz gave a presentation titled "State Regulation and the Interstate Practice of Telemedicine" at the Mercer University School of Medicine on March 8, 1996.

Dean Romero passed around the bookmark which is being sent to donors to the Law Library Campaign.

Dean Romero displayed the Indian Law Brochure which has been mailed out to all law school deans across the U.S., tribal and pueblo officials, Native American legislators, and University administrators. He also read parts of a letter which he had received from James W. Zion of the Navajo Nation Judicial Branch complimenting the Law School on the brochure.

Professor Judith Anspach reported that the Law Library CLE held March 15 was very well attended and received. She also stated that the library staff is willing to repeat the CLE for the law school faculty if there is sufficient interest.

Professor Gloria Valencia Weber has received an invitation from the University of Saskatchewan to deliver the Fifth Annual Poundmaker Memorial Lecture.

Announcements:

Professor Sherri Burr encouraged faculty to nominate students for honors and awards and distributed the recommendation forms.

Provost's Visit:

Dean Romero introduced Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs William C. Gordon. Dr. Gordon addressed the faculty briefly regarding the similarities between the clinical law program here at the law school and the clinical psychology program in the Department of Psychology. He then responded to questions from the faculty and reiterated his priorities as provost, which are more attention to undergraduate education, finding new means of increasing funding of graduate education (which would increase the number and amount of graduate stipends), and increasing the acquisitions budget for UNM libraries.

Proposed Criminal Defense Clinic:

Professor Barbara Bergman, Chair of the Curriculum Committee, brought before the faculty a proposal for a Criminal Defense Clinic, with the recommendation that the faculty approve this new track in the clinic. Professor Bergman read a statement from Clinic Director José Martinez, who could not attend the meeting, recommending passage of this proposal by the faculty. The Clinical Law Program could then offer five options or tracks to students, the District Attorney Clinic, the Criminal Defense Clinic, the Law Practice Clinic, Semester-In-Practice Clinic, and the Southwest Indian Law Clinic. Professor Bergman stated that there was considerable student interest in a criminal defense clinic. There was lengthy discussion by the faculty regarding the effect this proposal would have on the SIP and DA clinical programs, the question of additional federal funding for SIP, staffing, the direction the clinical program would be taking, and the benefits of the diversity of programs the clinic will be offering. When Dean Romero called the question, Professor Ted Occhialino moved to table the motion in order to have more discussion before a vote of the faculty. He

requested a special faculty meeting on Monday, March 25, before which Professors Norwood, Bergman and Martinez would meet to plan a structured presentation to the faculty, including recommendations on 6 credit hours as opposed to 9 credit hours, community-based program versus criminal defense program, and the pros and cons of filling this position in the clinic with a visitor. The motion was seconded by Antoinette Sedillo Lopez, and when voted on, the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Margaret A. Banek

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