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MEMORANDUM

TO: LAW FACULTY
FROM: LEO M. ROMERO, DEAN 
DATE: March 22, 1996
SUBJECT: FACULTY MEETING

**Faculty Meeting Agenda
Monday, March 25, 1996
Dean's Conference Room
4:00 p.m.**

1. Approval of Minutes of March 18, 1996, Faculty Meeting
2. Dean's Report
3. Proposed Criminal Defense Clinic - Action Item
4. Plans for Program on Hate Speech - Report Item
5. Military Recruitment at the Law School - Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd
6. Proposed Merit Scholarships - Action Item

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March 25, 1996

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

PRESENT: Anspach, Bergman, Blumenfeld, Browde, Burr, Desiderio, DuMars, Ellis, Fritz, Gill, Gonzales, Hall, Hart, Kelly, Kovnat, MacPherson, Martinez, Moore, Norwood, Occhialino, Rapaport, Romero, Schwartz, Seielstad, Simmons, Valencia-Weber, Winograd, Zuni

Student Representatives: Kelly Alexandre, Bernice Galloway, K.C. Maxwell

ABSENT: Creel, Fort, Hermann, Mathewson, Montoya, Sedillo Lopez, Taylor, Wolf

The meeting was called to order by Dean Leo Romero.

After proper motion and second, the minutes of the March 18, 1996, meeting were approved as written.

Dean's Report:

Dean Romero announced that the speaker for the 1996 Commencement will be Chief Justice Joseph F. Baca of the New Mexico Supreme Court.

Dean Romero announced that he has been nominated as chair-elect of the Law School Admission Council.

Professor Sheryl Wolf will be the featured speaker on "Perspectives of Negotiations" at the statewide conference of Kansas Women Lawyers in Lindsborg, Kansas, July 25, 1996.

Professor Suede Kelly presented a paper on "The Role of Antitrust in the Restructured Public Utility Sector" at a conference presented by the Center for Public Utilities and New Mexico State University on March 13 in Santa Fe.

Professor Chuck DuMars presented a paper on "The Environmental, Social and Political Landscape of the New Mexico-Mexico Border Region" at the Mexico-U.S. Border Environmental Conference held March 13 and 14 in Albuquerque. He also presented a paper on "New Mexico Water Issues" to the American Water Works Association/Water Pollution Control Federation on February 27.

Dean Romero announced that the team of John Harte and Buddy Brown placed third in the National NALSA Moot Court competition in Oklahoma City. Todd Araujo also placed third in the Outstanding Individual Oral Skills category. Professor Gloria Valencia Weber

announced that Valerie Davidson had received a special spontaneously created award for the best cheerleader and giver of moral support to everyone at the contest. Faculty advisors to the three teams attending the competition were Professors Scott Taylor, Christine Zuni, and Gloria Valencia-Weber.

Dean Romero noted that there were several positive articles written about the Law School in the March 25 issue of the Campus News, including a mention of the Clinical Law Program's national ranking, Peggy Garves' staff award, and the VITA and Recuerdos programs.

Proposed Criminal Defense Clinic:

Professor José Martinez distributed his memo of March 25 to the faculty which outlined a proposed clinical curriculum for the 1996-97 academic year. The curriculum would be based on all clinic courses being six-hour courses and following the regular academic schedule. The new Criminal Defense Clinic would be staffed by a visiting professor. Professor Martinez then answered questions from the faculty. A memo from students in support of SIP was distributed by K.C. Maxwell. A discussion followed. When Dean Romero called the question to approve the clinic curriculum as presented in Professor Martinez' memo, the motion carried with six abstentions (Burr, Moore, Norwood, Valencia-Weber, Winograd, Zuni). Dean Romero commended the Semester-In-Practice program for being successful, innovative, and gaining national recognition for the Law School.

Plans for Program on Hate Speech:

Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd reported that the seminar on hate speech has been scheduled for April 11. The program is scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., with classes to be canceled during those hours. Karl Johnson and Michele Geiger of the N.M. Bar Foundation will be the presenters, and there will be small breakout groups headed by faculty members and student leaders.

Military Recruitment at the Law School:

Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd reported that he had received a letter from the Department of Defense requesting Law School support in their recruiting efforts on campus and stating that if the Law School denied the military access to our placement services that law students attending law school on military scholarship funds will lose their grant money. At present, there is only one student, Joe Marshall (2L), in this situation. After discussion, a motion was made by Professor Rob Schwartz to adhere to law school policy of not assisting any recruitment efforts by any employers who discriminate on any of the specified bases at the Law School, to reimburse Joe Marshall if he loses his funding because of this policy, and giving notice to entering 1Ls that they may not be able to use their military scholarship funds to attend law school at UNM. The motion was seconded by Professor Mike Norwood. Professor Jim Ellis moved to amend the motion by striking the second part of the motion regarding the student, Joe Marshall. This deletion was agreed to by the movant, Rob Schwartz, and the seconder, Mike Norwood. When voted on, the motion, with the second part deleted, carried, with one "no" vote by Professor Ted Occhialino.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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