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MEMORANDUM

TO: LAW FACULTY
FROM: LEO M. ROMERO, DEAN 
DATE: April 11, 1996
SUBJECT: FACULTY MEETING

**Faculty Meeting Agenda
Monday, April 15, 1996
Dean's Conference Room
4:00 p.m.**

1. Approval of Minutes of April 1, 1996, Faculty Meeting
2. Dean's Report
3. 1994-95 Thesis Honors - Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd
4. Honors and Awards - Sherri Burr
5. New Business

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April 15, 1996

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

PRESENT: Anspach, Bergman, Blumenfeld, Burr, Desiderio, DuMars, Fritz, Gill, Hall, Hermann, Kelly, Kovnat, Martinez, Montoya, Moore, Occhialino, Rapaport, Romero, Schwartz, Sedillo Lopez, Valencia-Weber, Zuni

Student Representative: K.C. Maxwell

ABSENT: Browde, Creel, Ellis, Fort, Gonzales, Hart, MacPherson, Mathewson, Norwood, Seielstad, Simmons, Taylor, Utton, Winograd, Wolf

The meeting was called to order by Dean Leo Romero.

After proper motion and second, the minutes of the April 1, 1996, meeting were approved as written.

Dean's Report:

An article by Andrew Philip McGuire, "Blind Justice," has been published in the March/April 1996 Washington Lawyer.

Dean Romero thanked the faculty members who participated in the "Hate, Intolerance and the Legal Community" seminar held at the Law School on April 11.

Dean Romero reported that the first Board of Visitors meeting held at the Law School on April 12 was very successful and productive. He thanked the faculty who had given presentations--Judy Anspach, Robert Desiderio, Jim Ellis, Fred Hart, and Peter A. Winograd. He also thanked the faculty members who had participated on the skills training panel--Alfred Mathewson, Margaret Montoya, and Christine Zuni.

Dean Romero reminded the faculty of the reception for the third-year students to be held on Wednesday, April 17, and encouraged them to attend.

The UNM Foundation Board will hold their spring meeting here at the Law School on Friday, April 19, in the Moot Court Room. As part of the Law School's presentation, Suede Kelly will report on the Natural Resources Center, José Martinez will report on the Law School's Clinical Programs, and Gloria Valencia-Weber will report on the Indian Law Program.

Professor Rob Schwartz announced that Leslie Mansfield and Aliza Organick have received an \$8,000 grant for their clinical project on black lung disease.

Professor Margaret Montoya announced that she had recently been interviewed by Monica Soto of the Albuquerque Tribune for an article on the Semester-In-Practice work on health care for the homeless.

Ethics Co-Requisite Question:

Professor José Martinez reported on a student who will be working on an externship this summer, and, in order to receive financial aid, must take six hours of credit during the period. The student has requested that he be allowed to take ethics during the summer to bring his course load up to six hours. Professor Martinez recommended that the student be allowed to do this and asked if any faculty member had an objection. There were no objections.

1994-95 Thesis Honors:

Dean Romero distributed a memo from Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd listing the papers recommended for thesis honors. The judging committee of the 1994-95 Writing Contest, chaired by Andy Schultz and Wendy York, chose these four papers from the seventeen submitted. A motion was made by Professor Sherri Burr and seconded by Professor Chuck DuMars to accept the recommendation of the Committee and award thesis honors to the following:

Sex, Lies and Lawsuits: A New Mexico
Physician's Duty to Warn Third Parties
Who Unknowingly May Be At Risk Of
Contracting HIV From A Patient

Jake Taylor

Term Limits in New Mexico:
Unconstitutional by Proposition

Linda M. Vanzi

Sex, Drugs and Controversy: The
Political and Ethical Debate
Surrounding FDA Policy on RU-486

Monica Jean Vigil

The Hobbs Act in the Nineties:
Confusion or Clarification on the
Quid Pro Quo Standard in Extortion
Cases Involving Public Officials

Steven C. Yarbrough

Honors and Awards:

Professor Sherri Burr, Chair of the Honors and Awards Committee, distributed the recommendations of the Committee for 1996. Professor Burr asked the faculty if the award for the most scholastic improvement should be continued, as BNA will no longer fund it. After discussion, it was the consensus of the faculty that the award should be continued, and

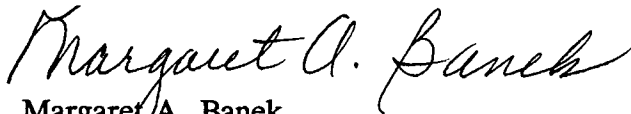
that a cash award as well as a certificate should be awarded. Professors DuMars and Desiderio volunteered to solicit donations for the award.

A motion was made by Professor Robert Desiderio to add visiting student Steffani Cochran to the students listed for clinical honors. The motion was seconded by Professor Rob Schwartz and when voted on, the motion carried.

Dean Romero then called the question, and the list of awardees as amended was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Margaret A. Banek

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