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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO: LAW FACULTY**

**FROM: LEO M. ROMERO** 

**DATE: JULY 19, 1996**

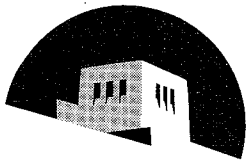
**SUBJECT: 1996 FALL SEMESTER FACULTY MEETING SCHEDULE**

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OUR FACULTY MEETINGS FOR THE 1996 FALL SEMESTER WILL BE HELD IN THE DEAN'S CONFERENCE ROOM AT 4:00 P.M. ON THE FOLLOWING MONDAYS:

AUGUST 26  
SEPTEMBER 9  
SEPTEMBER 23  
OCTOBER 7  
OCTOBER 21  
NOVEMBER 4  
NOVEMBER 18  
DECEMBER 9


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**Faculty Meeting Agenda  
Monday, August 26, 1996  
Dean's Conference Room  
4:00 p.m.**

1. Approval of Minutes of April 29, 1996, Faculty Meeting
2. Dean's Report
3. Admissions Committee Report
4. Faculty Retreat September 7 and 8 - Dean Romero and Dean Winograd
5. Election of Law School Representative to AALS
6. Order of the Coif Election
7. New Business

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August 26, 1996

**Faculty Meeting Minutes**

School of Law

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

**PRESENT:** Anspach, Bergman, Blumenfeld, Browde, Burr, Creel, Fort, Fritz, Gill, Gonzales, Hart, Hermann, Kelly, Kovnat, Martinez, Mathewson, Montoya, Moore, Norwood, Occhialino, Parnall, Rapaport, Romero, Subin, Taylor, Utton, Valencia-Weber, Winograd, Zuni.

**ABSENT:** Desiderio, DuMars, Ellis, Flickinger, Hall, Lowe, MacPherson.

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES:** Arianne Mesco

The meeting was called to order by Dean Leo Romero.

After proper motion and second, the minutes of the April 29, 1996, meeting were approved as written.

**Dean's Report:**

Dean Romero welcomed Visiting Professor Phyllis Subin to the Law School. Professor Subin will oversee the new Criminal Defense Clinical Program. He also welcomed Professor John Lowe, who has been named the Judge Leon Karelitz Chair in Oil and Gas Law.

Dean Romero welcomed back Professor Ted Parnall from his leave in Laos and Indonesia, as well as Emeritus Professors Al Utton and Garrett Flickinger, each of whom is returning to teach a class at the Law School this semester.

Dean Romero announced that the first-year class, the class of 1999, is the 50<sup>th</sup> class to enter the Law School.

Dean Romero expressed his appreciation to Jeff Albright, Susan Mitchell, Pat Trainor, Ruth Kovnat and Edith Dunnington for their contributions to the successful orientation program this fall, and a special thanks to Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd, Professors Michael Browde and Ted Occhialino for their major roles in planning and executing the orientation for the 1Ls.

Dean Romero read a short note from Nancy Nathan (2L) expressing her appreciation for the excellent preparation the LRRW/Advocacy classes were for her first summer of clerking.

The Hatton Summer series of symposia has been scheduled. It includes a symposium on Children's Advocacy in December coordinated by Professor Barbara Bergman, an Oil and Gas symposium coordinated by Visiting Professor John Lowe and Professor Suedeem Kelly in Albuquerque on October 31 and November 1, 1996, a Water Law Symposium coordinated by Professor Chuck DuMars in February of 1997, and an Indian Tax Law Symposium coordinated by Professor Scott Taylor and Sam Deloria scheduled for April 12, 1997.

The 4<sup>th</sup> annual Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award Dinner honoring Emeritus Professor Al Utton and Farmington attorney Felix Briones (Class of 1957) is scheduled for November 2, 1996.

The 5<sup>th</sup> annual U.S.-Mexico Law Conference will be held in Santa Fe on Sept. 20 and 21, 1996.

The Board of Visitors will be meeting on November 15 here at the Law School and will focus on professional ethics and legal writing.

#### **Dean Search Report:**

Dean Romero reported that he met with the Provost to ask that a Search Committee for the Law School Dean be appointed soon. He said the Provost's response was not heartening—there are currently four dean searches being planned and the University does not have resources for attracting and hiring deans, nor are there enough administrators to chair the search committees. The Provost informed Dean Romero that the search committee, when appointed, will consist of one dean, director, or other member of the University administration, four faculty members from the Law School, one student representative, one alumnus, and one community member. It was suggested by Professor Michael Browde that Dean Romero put together a list of people willing to serve, following these guidelines, to present to the Provost as a recommendation.

#### **Accreditation Status Report:**

Dean Romero reported that the Law School is still required to report to the AALS and ABA each year to update them on progress being made on the deficiencies found during the 1993 accreditation visit. In addition, the ABA has requested that President Peck and Dean Romero appear in Indianapolis on March 1, 1997, to report on any progress made regarding the law school facilities. Dean Romero reported that a letter he had drafted for President Peck to the CHE asking them to recommend funding of the new law school building to the Legislature has been sent. He has also requested assistance from President Pro Tem Manny Aragon, Speaker of the House Raymond Sanchez, and Phil Larragoite in getting the request through the Legislature. John Petronis of Architectural Research Consultants, Inc. will be reporting within the month on the findings of the needs assessment his firm has been doing over the summer. Dean Romero stated that he hopes the report will be what the Law School needs to sway the Legislature in favor of providing

Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd requested nominations from faculty for the Rodey Scholarship.

Professor Suede Kelly invited the faculty to a reception honoring the NRJ editors and staff at the home of Professor Al Utton on September 4, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

**Approval of Academic Honors:**

A motion was made by Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd and seconded by Professor Sherri Burr to award honors to the following students in the 1996 graduating class.

Summa Cum Laude

Renee Harton  
Arne Leonard

Magna Cum Laude

Cheryl Bada  
F.G. Maxwell Carr-Howard  
Thomas Outler  
Samuel Tuma  
Monica Vigil

Cum Laude

David Chacon  
Cindy Domingue-Hendrickson  
Jill Gillen  
Wendy Jones  
Twila Larkin  
K.C. Maxwell  
David Standridge  
Peter Taylor

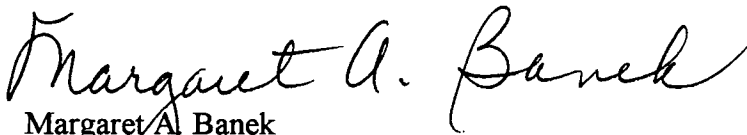
When voted on, the motion carried.

**Order of the Coif Election:**

Professor Ted Parnall then moved that the top ten students in the class be awarded Order of the Coif. The motion was seconded by Sherri Burr, and when voted on, the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Margaret A. Banek