

MEMORANDUM

TO: LAW FACULTY
FROM: ROBERT J. DESIDERIO, DEAN
DATE: March 23, 1998
SUBJECT: FACULTY MEETING

**Faculty Meeting Agenda
Monday, March 23, 1998
Dean's Conference Room
4:00 p.m.**

1. Approval of Minutes of February 16, 1998, Faculty Meeting
2. Dean's Report
3. Proposed Curriculum for 1998-99 - Associate Dean Alfred Mathewson
4. New Business

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March 23, 1998

Faculty Meeting Minutes

School of Law

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

Present: Bergman, Bobroff, Browde, Desiderio, Dratler, DuMars, Ellis, Fort, Fritz, Gill, Godfrey, Gonzales, Hall, Hart, Kelly, Kovnat, Land, Lopez, Martinez, Mathewson, Montoya, Moore, Norwood, Rapaport, Valencia-Weber, Winograd, Zuni

Student Representatives: Berkheimer, O'Reilly, Singer Mesco

Absent: Baum, Blumenfeld, MacPherson, Scales, Schwartz, Taylor, Wolf

Dean Robert Desiderio called the meeting to order at 4:10 p.m.

Professor DuMars moved to approve the minutes of the February 16, 1998, faculty meeting as distributed. The motion was seconded by Professor Rapaport, and when voted on, the motion carried.

Dean's Report:

Dean Desiderio reported that HB 225, which had included funding for the addition to the Law School, was vetoed by Governor Johnson. In the event that the Governor calls a special session, Dean Desiderio has begun a push to include funding for the Law School addition in the Governor's call.

Governor Johnson did sign HB2, giving UNM faculty and staff a 4½ % salary increase. The Law Library will receive \$100,000 from a capital funding bill. The Law School's U.S.-Mexico programs will receive \$50,000 in legislative funding, and the Southwest Indian Law Clinic program was funded for another year.

Dean Desiderio announced that there will be summer research grants awarded this summer. He will not know the amounts to be awarded until later.

Dean Desiderio reported that Pam Hurd Kneif, who had accepted our offer of the Development Director position at the Law School, has reversed her decision.

Dean Desiderio asked for faculty input on the proposed faculty retreat for next fall.

Dean Desiderio asked those faculty who were interested in participating in the Granada exchange in May to contact him.

The Board of Visitors will be meeting at the Law School on Monday, April 6. Their agenda will be distributed to the faculty later this week.

On Friday, March 27, at 2:00 p.m., in the Moot Court Room, the UNM School of Law will sign a memorandum of understanding with the University of Chihuahua Law School to exchange faculty and coordinate programs between the two universities.

Professor Chuck DuMars announced that he still needs two more judges for the ABA Moot Court team's dress rehearsal on Wednesday.

Writing Director Search:

Dean Alfred Mathewson reported that the search process for the Writing Director position closed March 9. The Committee is now reviewing the applications and will soon bring their recommendations to the faculty.

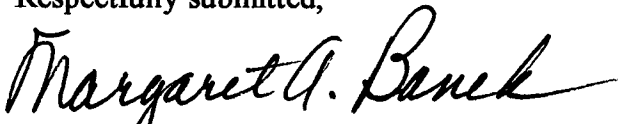
Proposed Curriculum for 1998-99:

Associate Dean Alfred Mathewson, Chair of the Curriculum Committee, asked the faculty for discussion and approval of the proposed curriculum. Features of the proposed curriculum are additional 1L sections in Property and Criminal Law in the fall semester and an additional Civil Procedure section in the spring for students who evidence academic difficulty in the first semester. There were also upper-level sections added in Business Associations (both semesters), Family Law, and Remedies. The NALSA moot court competition will be recognized for student class credit, but the faculty advisor will not receive course credit.

After extensive discussion of the value of more sections in the first year, Professor Norwood moved to adopt the second- and third-year curriculum (at the minimum, these courses will be offered) and table the proposed 1L curriculum and the proposal to continue ethics as a pre- or co-requisite for the clinic. When voted on, the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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