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MEMORANDUM

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FACULTY

FROM:

ROBERT J. DESIDERIO, DEAN DE

DATE:

DECEMBER 18, 1998

SUBJECT:

1999 SPRING SEMESTER FACULTY MEETING SCHEDULE

Our faculty meetings for the 1999 spring semester will be held in the Dean's Conference Room at 4:00 p.m. on the following Mondays:

JANUARY 25, 1999 FEBRUARY 15, 1999 MARCH 8, 1999 MARCH 29, 1999 APRIL 19, 1999 MAY 10, 1999

I may have to schedule some special meetings as well.

Thanks.

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DATE:

January 22, 1999

SUBJECT:

FACULTY MEETING

Faculty Meeting Agenda Monday, January 25, 1999 Dean's Conference Room 4:00 p.m.

- 1. Approval of Minutes of December 7, 1998 Faculty Meeting
- 2. Dean's Report
- 3. Promotion and Tenure Committee Professor Margaret Montoya
- 4. New Business

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January 25, 1999

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

Present: Bergman, Canova, Desiderio, Fritz, Gill, Gonzales, Hall, Land, Martin, Mathewson, Montoya, Norwood, Occhialino, Romero, Schwartz, Shaw, Valencia-Weber, Winograd, Wolf, Zuni-Cruz.

Absent: Baum, Blumenfeld, Bobroff, Browde, Creel, Dratler, DuMars, Ellis, Hart, Kelly, Lopez, Martinez, Moore.

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

Dean's Report:

Dean Desiderio introduced and welcomed Professor Dorie Shaw, who is teaching Alternative Dispute Resolution this semester. Dean Desiderio also welcomed back Professor Bill MacPherson from his sabbatical leave during the Fall 1998 semester.

Dean Desiderio reported that he and Harvey Morse will travel to Michigan in May to meet with the President of the Kresge Foundation to present a request for additional money for the law school building expansion.

The only two funding requests that the law school has before the Legislature during the current session are for the U.S.-Mexico and Southwest Indian Law Clinic programs; however, Dean Desiderio expects to be called to Santa Fe at other times to testify on other matters.

Dean Desiderio announced that Professor Ruth Kovnat has replaced Professor Jim Ellis as Chair of the Curriculum Committee.

Dean Desiderio reported that after Professor Al Utton's death, many of Al's colleagues came to Dean Desiderio and expressed their interest in the continuation and expansion of the International Transboundary Resources Center under the name of the Albert E. Utton Transboundary Resources Center, with a focus on interstate water issues. The Center's grant will continue to the end of the 1998-99 academic year, and Dean Desiderio has gotten the Center placed on the list of the ten University priorities to request federal funding.

Dean Desiderio announced that Professor David Williams, NCA site inspection team member, will be at the School of Law on Tuesday, January 26, to meet with law school

faculty members regarding the 1999 University of New Mexico focused site evaluation visit. Faculty members are encouraged to attend this meeting.

Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd announced that the Admissions Office will hold an Open House for applicants and prospective applicants on Friday, January 29, and encouraged faculty members to attend the reception at 4:00 p.m. in the Forum.

Dean Desiderio announced that we have a new financial aid officer, Janet Lowry, in the law school. She will assist law students, pharmacy students, and nursing students.

UNM Presidential Search Update:

Professor Richard Gonzales reported that the eleven-member Presidential Search Committee has come up with a short list of fifteen quarter-finalists for interviews in Dallas this week. The list will then be pared down to eight to ten names and submitted to the Board of Regents. The Regents will then make the top five names public and invite them to the campus for interviews.

Subcommittee on Promotion, Tenure, and Reappointment:

Professor Margaret Montoya, Chair of the Subcommittee on Promotion, Tenure and Reappointment, reported that the Committee has seven annual reviews to do. She asked for feedback on the Committee's desire to do a structured review, and will give the faculty progress reports on untenured faculty members. The Committee also will look at revising internal policies to bring the law school policies into compliance with the revised University AF&T policy. The Committee will also be asking for discussion on pro forma reviews.

Faculty Appointments Committee:

Associate Dean Alfred Mathewson reported that the Committee is working diligently on the ADR position vacancy—the Committee has narrowed the list down to five finalists, and will set up on-campus interview dates as soon as possible. The Committee has a list of clinicians and visitor candidates, and when budgets and leave requests are known, the decision on whether or not to hire a clinician will be made.

Hatch Professorship:

Associate Dean Mathewson will e-mail the proposed selection process for the Hatch Professorship to the faculty for their feedback.

Election of Law School Faculty Senator:

Because Professor Richard Gonzales is on sabbatical leave this semester, Dean Desiderio asked for nominations from the faculty for the law school representative to the UNM Faculty Senate. Professor Nathalie Martin indicated she would be willing to serve. The

nomination was seconded by Professor Leo Romero, and Professor Martin was elected by acclamation.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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