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MEMORANDUM

TO: LAW FACULTY

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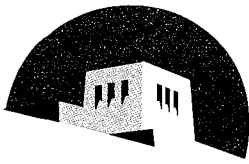
DATE: JANUARY 11, 2001

SUBJECT: FACULTY MEETING

**Faculty Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, January 16, 2001
Room 2405
4:00 p.m.**

1. Approval of Minutes of December 5, 2000 Faculty Meeting (posted on the intranet)
2. Dean's Report
3. Block Class Schedule – Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd
4. New Business
5. Student Petition

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DATE: JANUARY 2, 2001

SUBJECT: SPRING SEMESTER 2001 FACULTY MEETING SCHEDULE

I am scheduling the following dates for regular faculty meetings (notice that meetings are again scheduled on Tuesdays):

TUESDAY, January 16, 2001
TUESDAY, February 6, 2001
TUESDAY, February 27, 2001
TUESDAY, March 20, 2001
TUESDAY, April 3, 2001
TUESDAY, April 24, 2001

I may have to schedule some special meetings as well, especially to review the self-study document. These meetings may have to be held in the evenings or on Saturdays.

All meetings will begin at 4:00 p.m. in Room 2405. I stress that it is essential that all faculty attend faculty meetings and remain at meetings until they are adjourned. Please make the necessary arrangements to do so. Governance of the Law School requires the dissemination of information and open discussion and debate in which all of us participate. Faculty meetings, although not the only forum for this discourse, are the primary forum. This is especially so this semester as we engage in our self-study and prepare for the accreditation visit. I will do my best to end meetings by 5:30 p.m. I would also appreciate it if we could begin meetings promptly at 4:00 p.m.

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January 16, 2001

Faculty Meeting Minutes
School of Law
Dean's Conference Room

PRESENT: Baum, Burr, Canova, Cruz, Desiderio, Fritz, Fort, Gill, Gonzales, Hall, Hart, Hughes, Kelly, Land, Lopez, Martin, Martinez, Mathewson, Moore, Norwood, Occhialino, Rapaport, Romero, Schwartz, Valencia-Weber, Winograd, Wolf

Student Representatives: Lakins, Adams

ABSENT: Blumenfeld, Bobroff, Browde, Ellis, MacPherson, Montoya-Lewis

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

Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd moved to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2000 faculty meeting as distributed. The motion was seconded by Professor Liz Rapaport, and when voted on, the motion carried.

Dean's Report:

Dean Desiderio reminded the faculty that today (January 16) is the grading deadline and encouraged the faculty to hand their grades in to Pat Trainor as soon as possible.

Dean Desiderio reported that the University is now negotiating with the contractor who was awarded the bid for the law school expansion and renovation project and that tomorrow (January 17) is the last day of the protest period.

Today (January 16) the 60-day session of the New Mexico Legislature began in Santa Fe.

Block Class Schedule:

Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd mentioned that he was not aware of any problems nor had he received any complaints in a long time from the faculty or from the students regarding the block schedule. He asked the faculty for their comments on the schedule. He also asked the faculty for their thoughts on a scheduling problem he had last year due to requests to not teach classes on Fridays. He asked the faculty to consider the matter and it will be brought up for discussion at a future faculty meeting.

New Business:

Dean Desiderio announced that there will be a faculty lunch or tea scheduled later in the semester to discuss how we can market the law school more effectively.

Associate Dean Alfred Mathewson reminded the faculty to turn their grades and curriculum questionnaires in as soon as possible.

Professor Liz Rapaport asked if the clocks in the building could be synchronized.


Student Petition:

Dean Desiderio distributed a student petition for relief from suspension to the faculty and asked the faculty to uphold or overturn the decision of the Committee on Student Suspension, Retention and Readmission to suspend the student from the law school. The Committee was chaired by Professor Suedeem Kelly. Dean Desiderio presented a brief summary of the facts in the matter.

Discussion followed. Professor Denise Fort moved to uphold the Committee's decision to suspend the student. The motion was seconded by Professor Antoinette Sedillo Lopez, and when voted on, the motion carried unanimously, with one abstention (Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd).

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Margaret A. Banek

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