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MEMORANDUM

TO:

LAW FACULTY

FROM:

ROBERT J. DESIDERIO, DEAN

DATE:

MARCH 2, 2001

SUBJECT:

FACULTY MEETING

Faculty Meeting Agenda Tuesday, March 6, 2001 Room 2405 4:00 p.m.

- 1. Dean's Report
- 2. Point of Clarification on Late Grades Charles Lakins
- 3. Report on Utton Center Director of Domestic Programs Professor Chuck DuMars
- 4. Election of Law School Faculty Senator
- 5. Self-Study Draft Professors Antoinette Sedillo Lopez and Chris Fritz
- 6. New Business

Meeting of Promotion and Tenure Committee
(all full-time faculty)

March 6, 2001

Faculty Meeting Minutes School of Law Room 2405, 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Browde, Canova, Desiderio, DuMars, Fort, Gill, Gonzales, Hall, Hart, Hughes, Kelly, Kovnat, Land, Lopez, Martin, Martinez, Mathewson, Montoya, Montoya-Lewis, Moore, Norwood, Occhialino, Rapaport, Romero, Schwartz, Valencia-Weber, Winograd, Wolf

Student Representatives: Lakins, Jenks

ABSENT: Baum, Blumenfeld, Bobroff, Burr, Cruz, Ellis, Fritz, MacPherson

Dean Robert Desiderio called the meeting to order at 4:15 p.m.

Dean's Report:

Dean Desiderio reported that Professor Chris Fritz is now home from the hospital and is doing well.

Dean Desiderio congratulated the members of the NALSA Moot Court Team, Danielle Her Many Horses, Jason Hauter, Pilar Thomas and Mark Welliver, and their coach, Paul Spruhan. The team of Pilar Thomas and Mark Welliver made the quarterfinals and Pilar won best oralist.

Sunday – Tuesday (March 11-13) there will be no heat or air conditioning in Bratton Hall. On Saturday, March 17, the electricity will be turned off in the building.

Dean Desiderio asked the faculty to let Herb Wright, Director of Development, know when they are planning an event. If Herb is aware of these events, he can try to get receptions, etc. sponsored by private individuals or law firms.

Associate Dean Peter A. Winograd reminded the faculty to turn in their Honors and Awards nominations to his office as soon as possible.

Point of Clarification on Late Grades:

Charles Lakins, 3L student representative, asked the faculty to work together to solve the problem of late grades in order to alleviate the students' frustration in this matter. He stated that the students realize that grading in a timely manner is not the only characteristic of a good teacher, but asked the faculty to live up to the Submission of Grades by Faculty policy as stated in the <u>Bulletin & Handbook of Policies</u>.

Report on Utton Center Director of Domestic Programs:

Professor Chuck DuMars reported that the search for the Utton Center Director of Domestic Programs has been successful in producing some good candidates. He indicated that the last candidate to be interviewed will be at the Law School on Wednesday, March 7.

Professor DuMars stated that this position is not a faculty position. The Director's responsibilities will be to run the Center, promote issues that are significant for the Center, and eventually find their own money.

Election of Law School Faculty Senator:

Dean Desiderio announced that Professor Nathalie Martin's term on the Faculty Senate expires this year, but she is eligible and willing to serve another term. Professor Martin was elected to serve another term (2001-2003) by acclamation.

Self-Study Draft:

Professor Antoinette Sedillo Lopez, co-chair of the Self-Study Committee, stated that the Looking Toward the Future section is not required and will not be included in the final self-study document due to the hospitalization of her co-chair, Professor Chris Fritz.

Professor Sedillo Lopez then moved to recommend the acceptance of the self-study document as distributed to the faculty. The motion was seconded by Professor Gloria Valencia-Weber, and when voted on, the motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Margaret a. Banek Margaret J. Banek

Respectfully submitted,

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