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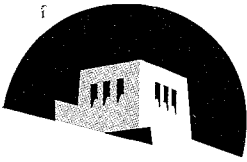
Re: Faculty Meeting Tuesday, August 28, 4:00 p.m. in Room 2405

The meeting on Tuesday, August 28 will deal solely with the dean search and the qualities the faculty wants the new dean to have. Along that line, you should refer to the self-study and the site evaluation team report. Both documents provide valuable information about the future needs of the law school.

The meeting will be limited to only full-time members of the faculty.

We have received questions concerning committee assignments. Although the composition of committees has almost been complete, I have delayed in announcing assignments, waiting to learn who the faculty members of the dean search committee will be. I tried to avoid forming committees only to have to re-constitute them after learning the composition of the dean search committee. If the provost doesn't announce the faculty members of the dean search committee in a few days, I will disseminate committee assignments and then make necessary adjustments.

The provost is waiting for faculty to provide him with recommendations of dean search committee members. It would help matters if you would give him your recommendations as soon as possible.



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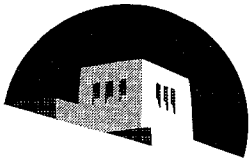
MEMORANDUM

TO: LAW FACULTY
FROM: ROBERT J. DESIDERIO, DEAN
DATE: SEPTEMBER 10, 2001
SUBJECT: FACULTY MEETING

Faculty Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, September 11, 2001
Room 2405
4:00 p.m.

1. Approval of Minutes of May 1, 2001, Faculty Meeting
2. Dean's Report
3. Method for Determining Enrollment In Limited Enrollment Courses
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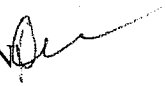
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MEMORANDUM

TO: LAW FACULTY
FROM: ROBERT J. DESIDERIO, DEAN 
DATE: SEPTEMBER 21, 2001
SUBJECT: FACULTY MEETING

**Faculty Meeting Agenda
Tuesday, September 25, 2001
Room 2402
4:00 p.m.**

1. Approval of Minutes of May 1, 2001, Faculty Meeting (on the intranet)
2. Dean's Report
3. Military Recruitment Policy
4. Time Allowed For Completion of Incompletes
5. Results of Dean Characteristics Survey
6. Election of Faculty Senate Representative
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Faculty Minutes

September 25, 2001
Faculty Meeting Minutes
School of Law
Room 2402, 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Baum, Bergman, Blumenfeld, Bobroff, Browde, Canova, Cruz, Desiderio, Ellis, Fort, Gill, Gonzales, Hall, Hughes, Land, Lopez, MacPherson, Martin, Martinez, Mathewson, Montoya, Montoya, Montoya-Lewis, Moore, Occhialino, O'Leary, Romero, Schwartz, Taylor, Winograd, Wolf

Student Representatives Present: Adams

Others Present: Nick Estes, Univ. Counsel, George Bach, Joyce Frost, Eric Locher

ABSENT: Norwood, Rapaport, Valencia-Weber (Burr attending Faculty Senate)

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

Upon proper motion and second, the minutes of the May 1, 2001 Faculty Meeting were approved as distributed.

Dean's Report:

Dean Desiderio announced that the Provost has appointed the Dean Search Committee for the School of Law. The Chair of the Search Committee is Roger Schluntz, Dean of the School of Architecture and Planning, and the members of the Committee are Professor Rob Schwartz, Professor Tim Canova, Professor Antoinette Sedillo-Lopez, Professor Marsha Baum, Paul Nathanson, Cyndi Dean, Peggy Lovato, Andrew Knight, The Honorable Tommy Jewell, Steve Aguilar, and Karl Gillson. Dean Schluntz would like law faculty to call prospective candidates and urge them to apply, or, if they prefer, forward names to him and he will make the calls.

Dean Desiderio reminded the faculty of the Distinguished Alumni Achievement Award Dinner honoring Anne Thomas, Raymond Sanchez, and John Cooney, to be held October 5.

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New Mexico School of Law is committed to providing equal educational opportunity and forbids discrimination. The School of Law, therefore, maintains a policy of equal opportunity for its students to obtain employment without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, physical or mental handicap, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, ancestry, or medical condition." When anyone calls to make a placement interview reservation they are informed placement services at the Law School are available only to employers whose policies are consistent with the above Law School policy.

The military is taking the position that the Solomon amendment rule means that the access given to the military must be equal to that of other employers. So if other employers are allowed to interview in the law school, so must the military, according to the military. Some law schools have moved all their recruiting activities out of the law school, and, therefore, the military is not allowed in either. If any unit of a university prohibits the military from recruiting, the whole university can lose Department of Defense funds.

Dean Desiderio distributed a document listing DOD funding agencies that have provided over \$2 million each to the University of New Mexico.

The University of New Mexico allows the military to recruit on campus. Their written policy differs from the Law School's only in that the word "unlawful" appears before the word "discrimination" each time.

The current AALS position is that if faced with the risk of losing federal funds, a law school can allow the military in. The law school is then required to ameliorate the military's presence by posting notice that the military's practices are inconsistent with the law school's nondiscrimination policy and taking other steps to ensure a positive environment for gay students.

Eric Locher, President of LAMBDA, stated that if the military recruits at the Law School, they are planning a strong vocal and educational presence in the Forum in order to use it to their advantage.

Dean Desiderio reported that he has spoken with and received e-mail messages from the student veterans' organization and other groups urging the Law School to allow the military to recruit on campus.

After discussion, a motion was made by Professor Occhialino to reinsert the word "unlawful" into our policy before the word discrimination in both sentences. The motion was seconded by Professor Barbara Blumenfeld. When voted on, the motion failed.

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The motion was seconded by Professor José Martinez, and discussion followed. Dean Desiderio tabled the motion until the next faculty meeting in order to redraft the proposed policy and gather more information.

Election of Faculty Senate Representative

A motion was made by Professor Margaret Montoya nominating Sherri Burr to serve a two- year term on the Faculty Senate. The motion was seconded by Professor April Land, and Professor Burr was elected by acclamation.

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