Loyola University New Orleans  
College of Law

Minutes of Faculty Meeting  
December 11, 2007

Faculty Members Present: Algero, Bilbe, Bromberger, Ciolino, Custos, Garda, Gruning, Higginson, Klebba, LeCesne, Lepow, Lorio, Lovett, Medina, Moore, Neilson, Normann, Puder, Rousseau, Vetter, Wallace, Whipple; Clinic: Buchert, Snead; Library: Huddleston, Norton, Scoggin, Wagar; Westerfield Fellows: Crier, Kanwar; Visiting Faculty: Drury, Miller; Administration: Allison-Davis, Jumonville.

DEAN’S REPORT:
• Two offers have been made. Drury has accepted. The other candidate will call tomorrow.
• The Dean has spoken with the Provost about the position the faculty inquired about. He is optimistic about an affirmative response.
• The Mediation Clinic is up and operating. Files are coming in. The Katrina Construction Mediation Clinic will be going full ahead soon.
• Update on class-action lawsuit brought by student who attended another law school during the Katrina semester (Fall ‘05) claiming unjust enrichment by the law school since he had to pay Loyola tuition. He received a summary judgment with prejudice. (Note: there were 300 students in 68 law schools around the country paying our tuition and 300 in Houston.)
• Elizabeth Moore is leaving the law library for a job in the Library of Congress where she can be closer to her family. We will miss her and wish her the very best.
• Hiring: prospective Fellows candidates are being given a grace period to respond to an offer from us in order to allow them to see if an ordinary faculty position may materialize for them.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:
• The faculty-staff holiday party will take place this Friday at 3:30 p.m. on the fourth floor law school lobby.
• Faculty are encouraged to attend the AALS January meeting.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: The October minutes were approved unanimously with the inclusion of mention that Adjunct Walter Wolf was approved to teach a new course: International Law Sem: Use of Force.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
**Appointments Committee.** Prof. Whipple mentioned that Jack Preis has accepted a position at the University of Richmond. The Dean thanked all those who worked on the appointments committee for a superb job, and the faculty who participated.

**Self Study Committee.** Brian Huddleston reported that the faculty approved the self study 18 to 0, with one abstention at the final meeting. Dian Knoblett-Tooley requested the faculty set up a committee to consider COIF. The Dean agreed to appoint an ad hoc committee to study the COIF possibility. This will be reflected in the self-study. Dean Bromberger thanked Dian and the whole committee for a great job on completing the study two months ahead of the scheduled deadline.

**OLD BUSINESS:**
1. Approval of Foreign Studies Program: item postponed until Prof. Hugg is in attendance.

**NEW BUSINESS:**
2. Minutes of October reflect that this item was covered in that month.
3. Discussion about continuing LCIVL950 (Louisiana Law Seminar) and other options took several minutes. It was noted that there is now a full-time academic support person, Marie Tufts, on board who can be involved in a coordinated effort aimed at bar passage rate improvement.

**MOTION:** Prof. Gruning moved that this issue be relegated to the curriculum and bar passage committee. Prof. Vetter seconded the motion. The question was called. The vote was unanimous in favor.

The remaining two agenda items will be taken up at the January meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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