Loyola University New Orleans
College of Law

Minutes of Faculty Meeting
March 15, 2011


DEAN’S REPORT + ANNOUNCEMENTS:
• Commencement Faculty Regalia Order Deadline: Friday, March 25.
• Trial Advocacy Bowl-o-Contendere at Rock-n-Bowl, Friday, March 18 at 7 p.m.
• Race Judicata to benefit Boys Hope Girls Hope to be held on Saturday, March 19.
• Student Organization Banquets: Law Review, Thursday, March 31; Journal of Public Interest Law, Tuesday, April 5; BLSA, Friday, April 1.
• Open House Friday, March 18, Room 405 to be introduced and 3rd floor seminar rooms for lunch.
• Fr. Moore announced that LORA will open to faculty on Monday, March 21 for posting of syllabi for the fall semester.
• US News ranks Loyola College of Law in the 2nd tier not listed in the 3rd tier as in the previous year. The US News has changed the rankings to only two tiers, instead of three as has been done in the previous years. We are ranked 143.
• Centennial Committee (2012-2013) – Professor Klebba is the law school representative and stated that the committee is working on preparing lectures that raise the profile of the university. He suggested that we use our current Ainsworth lecture series.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: January minutes approved.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:
University Senate: Professor Medina requested that the faculty allow Professor Algero to present her motion to consider the Georgetown proposal in reference to the memo from ABA Standards Review Committee on the issue of “Security of Position, Academic Freedom, Governance, Attracting and Retaining Competent Faculty.” The motion was seconded and approved to be considered. After some discussion of the motion, the faculty voted to adopt the Georgetown proposal.

Report on Pre-tenured Sabbatical: The pre-tenured sabbatical motion has gone to the University Handbook committee for review.

Affirmative Action and Diversity Committee: This motion has also gone to the University Handbook committee for review.

Report on Salary: The salary equity increases are scheduled to take effect in fall 2013 with the money being committed by spring 2013. The committee is working with Dr. Kvet on the agreed upon formula which will calculate how much money is distributed to each college. This is a continuing process for the committee and they are doing their best to make sure all the decisions are favorable across the
university. The formula is based on medians for rank and disciplines. The committee has agreed upon who will be considered for equity increases. Clinical faculty is not included in this salary study.

Rank & Tenure Committee: Next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 14, lunch will be served. Nominations were taken for a replacement chair, Professor Medina was the only nominee and she was appointed for a second term by the faculty.

Faculty Appointments Committee: Professor Tooley-Knoblelt reported that the committee has forwarded to the dean 32 applications for the Academic Support Director, which is an administrative position. She also presented 5 adjuncts for approval. This motion was seconded and all were approved.

Curriculum and Bar: Professor Harges reported to the faculty on three motions as listed on the agenda. The first motion on changes to Business Organization he turned over to Professor Drury for discussion. The faculty voted and approved the motion. The second motion to approve “Litigation and Law Practice Management” to be taught by Professor Ciolino, was also approved. The third motion was reported on by Professor Gruning. This motion is to reorganize the Constitutional Law courses. After some discussion, it was decided by the Dean that this motion will be placed first on the April agenda.

OLD BUSINESS:
1. Unifying rankings – Postponed

NEW BUSINESS:
1. Elect Chair for Rank and Tenure: This item was handled under the committee reports.
2. Elect replacement representative for SCAP. This item was not discussed, due to time restraints.

Adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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