

DEPAUL UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW FACULTY MEETING MINUTES

The faculty met in room 804 beginning at 3:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 22, 2010.

Present were Professors Bressler, Cavise, Cho, Coll, Dutenhaver, Farrow, Franklin, Friedland, Gerstenblith, Gold, Kiely, Kwall, Lewis, Livingston, Moller, Moye, Ottley, Resnicoff, Richardson, Sag, Shaman, Smith, Stuart, Thrower, Tirres, Tuerkheimer, Weber and Weissenberger.

Also present were Deans Burns, Ellis, Greenberger, Havel, Howard, Lyon, Rubin, Taylor, and Wolfson; Valerie Phillips and the student representative Moriarty.

The meeting was called to order.

Professor Sag announced that he is on the University Research policy committee and that the University will add a faculty research page on the website. He indicated that we need to create our own page (on the College of Law website) to be referenced on the University page. He asked all faculty to post and update their research on SSRN for this purpose.

Professor Livingston presented a packet of materials related to the Strategic Plan for faculty discussion and vote, including the March 2009 strategic plan, which was approved by the faculty; the May 2009 strategic plan that was sent to the ABA; the current April 15, 2010 Strategic Plan; and the January 21, 2010 Strategic Planning and Assessment Process memo that outlines the process. The packet also included a chart of all of the suggestions for amendments (received via email in no particular order).

Professor Livingston gave the faculty information on the background of this entire process. She stated that last year the Provost wanted the College of Law to re-submit their Strategic Plan to update our priorities. Dean Wolfson appointed a committee of twenty faculty and staff members who met over several months to produce the April 15, 2010 Strategic Plan. Professor Livingston stated that she met with President Holtschneider who stated that the College of Law is doing well with the Vincentian Mission and needs to make improvements on focusing on our Catholic Identity. Fr. Holtschneider indicated that he would allow the College of develop a strategy and plan to do this (and if not, then he would give us specific direction on what to do).

Professor Livingston then gave the faculty some additional background information on the current status of relations between the University and the College of Law under which she had to work with this twenty member committee to prepare the April 15, 2010 Strategic Plan.

Professor Livingston then announced that although the original plan was due by the end of June, Fr. Holtschneider has given the College of Law until the end of November to complete the process of revising our Strategic Plan.

The faculty voted that the process be adjourned for this academic year, that it resume in August under the direction of a large representative faculty committee, that it consider the amendments offered by faculty, and that it present various parts of the plan to the faculty at the September, October, and November faculty meetings; that the only Strategic Plan to be circulated internally or externally be the May 2009 Plan that was forwarded to and accepted by the ABA.

The faculty voted that the task force on Catholic Identity remain in effect to work with the committee on the Strategic Plan to determine how we want to express our Catholic Identity and that the voting members of the task force be faculty only. The student representative also asked there be at least one student on the task force and the committee since this plan will affect students.

Professor Lewis made an announcement about the LRAP award from faculty and asked for their continued support to award a scholarship to a recent alumnus working in public interest in the name of Jim Colliton.

The meeting adjourned at 3:40 p.m.