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MEMORANDUM

TO: Full-Time Faculty, Levin College of Law

FROM: Merritt McAlister, Interim Dean

RE: Faculty Meeting Agenda,

Our fifth Faculty Meeting of the 2025-2026 academic year will take place in the Faculty Lounge on Tuesday, November 12, 2025. The meeting will begin at 12:00 noon and will end no later than 1:00 pm.

The agenda is as follows:

- 1. Action Item: Approve faculty meeting minutes for October 14, 2025 attached (Dean McAlister)
- 2. Information Item: Campaign for Charities update (Matthew D'Auria, Lindsay Hanson, Layne Prebor)
- 3. Action Item: TT Appointments (Prof. Marshfield)

If you are unable to attend, please contact Peter Molk, who will discuss available options. Otherwise, I look forward to seeing you.

UF Levin College of Law Faculty Meeting Minutes October 14, 2025 - 12:00 noon

PRESENT:. Derek Bambauer, Stacy Biggart, Yariv Brauner, Annie Brett, Juan Caballero, Dennis Calfee, Nicholas Christopolis, Judy Clausen, Lisa De Sanctis, Donna Eng, Donna Erez-Navot, Alex Erwin, Barbara Evans, Cory Evans, Mark Fenster, Ben Fernandez, Christopher Hampson, Kristen Hardy, Thomas Hawkins, Berta Hernandez-Truyol, Benjamin Johnson, Lea Johnston, Matthew Kim, Heather Kolinsky, Gary Lawson, Lyrissa Lidsky, Sabrina Lopez, Lynn LoPucki, Charlene Luke, Jonathan Marshfield, Merritt McAlister, Timothy McLendon, Silvia Menendez, Peter Molk, Thinh Nguyen, Lars Noah, Jane O'Connell, Amy Stein, Stacey Steinberg, John Stinneford, Lee-ford Tritt, Steven Willis, Sarah Wolking, Andy Yuan

PRESENT ON ZOOM: Rachel Arnow-Richman, Julian Cook, Jiaying Jiang, Elizabeth-Ann Katz, Zachary Kaufman, Robert Rhee

NOT PRESENT: Karen Burke, Charles Collier, Thomas Haley, William Hamilton, David Hasen, Mindy Herzfeld, Tracey Maclin, Grayson McCouch, Paige Snelgro, Joan Stearns Johnsen, Derek Wheeler, Michael Wolf, Danaya Wright, Wentong Zheng

Meeting called to order at 12:02 pm

1. Action Item: Approve faculty meeting minutes for September 16, 2025, attached (Dean McAlister)

Dean McAlister presented minutes for September 16, 2025

Outcome: Minutes approved

2. Information Item: Bar Passage Rates (Dean Lopez)

Dean McAlister thanked the Academic Success team for their work with bar takers. UF Law has highest passage rate since new bar exam format was adopted. Dean Lopez discussed upcoming bar takers in February and other state bar exam pass rates.

Outcome: Information Only

3. Information Item: Viva Engage roll-out (Dean McAlister, IT staff, and Suzy Heinbockel)

Dean McAlister, Jessica Yang, and Suzy Heinbockel presented MS Engage as a new communication tool for the college.

Outcome: Information only

4. Information Item: Poucher Lecture information (Florida Law Review Executive Board)

The Florida Law Review Executive Board presented information on speakers at the upcoming Poucher Lecture event that will take place later this month.

Outcome: Information only

5. Information Item: Curriculum Committee update (Prof. Fenster)

Professor Fenster updated faculty on the work of the Curriculum Committee and will seek input and comment on proposed curriculum maps via email after the meeting.

Outcome: Information only

6. Information Item: Academic Standards Committee update on Book Award, Professionalism, and AI policies (Prof. Wolking)

Professor Wolking discussed the work of the Academic Standards Committee related to book awards and student accommodations. Faculty discussed each issue. A brown bag will be scheduled to develop policy related to student accommodations. Professor Wolking will be asking for input from faculty and students for drafting an AI policy via Qualitrics survey.

Outcome: Information only

Information Item: Judicial Committee update (Prof. Kolinsky)

Professor Kolinsky discussed the work of the Judicial Committee, early applications, and the fall bundling process.

Outcome: Information only

Meeting adjourned at 12:53 pm.