Actions taken with regard to the Law School.

April 15th 1902. President Harper invited the following gentlemen to meet him at the Chicago Club at seven o'clock in the evening, to consider and discuss plans for the proposed law school: Joseph H. Seale Jr., Floyd H. Nechem, Cleveland Lee, Julian H. Mack, Ernst Freund.

The meeting was held accordingly, and the following votes were passed:

1. To join the Association of American Law Schools.

2. To be represented at the meeting of said Association in the summer of 1902 in Saratoga by Mr. Seale.

3. To appoint the following committees:
   - Library: Seale, Mack, Freund
   - Temporary and Permanent Quarters: Seale, Nechem
   - Correspondence and Publicity: Seale, Freund
   - Admission of Students: Freund, Lee
   - Securing lawyers for lectures: Seale, Mack, Nechem

4. To establish a Faculty of Law and Politics to have charge of pre-legal and post-gradus studies; to consist of the Faculty of Law and of members of the Historical Group of Departments to be designated.

5. To admit non-legal students to the courses in Constitutional law, public law, Roman law, and Jurisprudence.

6. To give power to the Library Committee to act with regard to the following groups of books: American and English Reports; Canadian, Scotch, and Irish Reports; Cyclopaedia, Digests, Annotations, Collections of Cases; Revised Statutes and Session Laws to date; Standard legal periodicals; Text Books.

7. To give the degree of J.D. to persons holding the Bachelor's degree, who successfully complete the law course.
8. to ask the Board of Trustees to establish six scholarships of the value of the tuition fee for one year.

9. to recommend that the tuition fee be fixed at $150 per year, or $50 per quarter.

10. to make the work of the second and third year elective and interchangeable (with the possible exception of certain courses to be designated which are not to be taken before the third year.

11. to recommend that the school be named The School of Law of the University of Chicago.

12. to establish the following courses:

First Year Subjects: Contracts
Torts
Property
Pleading
Persons
Criminal Law
Agency

Second and Third Year Subjects:

Conveyancing
Wills and Future Interests
Evidence
Wills and Notes
Carriers
Partnership
Bankruptcy
Corporations
Sales
Equity Pleading
Trusts
Equity Jurisdiction
Suretyship and Mortgages
Constitutional Law

Conflict of Laws
Taxation and Public Officers
Damages
Admiralty
Insurance
Administrative Law
Municipal Corporations
Federal Jurisdiction and Practice
International Law
Roman Law
Legal Ethics

Meeting adjourned  
Ernest Perns, Secretary
A meeting was held at the President's house on Wednesday, April 16th 1902 at 8.30 p.m.


The following matters were voted upon and recommended:

1. That there be established a Faculty of Law and Politics to have charge of the pre-legal work and the work of the post-graduate course, such faculty to consist of the members of the Law Faculty and one representative of each of the Departments of Philosophy, Political Economy, Political Science, History, and Sociology.

2. That the curriculum of the pre-legal year consist of two Majors each of English Constitutional History, American Constitutional History, and Political Economy, and three Majors to be selected from a list of courses to be selected by a Committee to consist of Messrs. Freund, Laughlin, and Jacson.

3. That the Law Circular contain a recommendation to students entering the Law School from other colleges to take as preparation for law work, studies similar to those of the pre-legal curriculum.

4. That the Circular mention that a post-graduate course leading to a higher degree is contemplated to encourage work in legal history, comparative jurisprudence, etc.

5. That the Circular refer to the creation of a Faculty of Law and Politics.

6. That Messrs. Beale and Mack be appointed a Committee for the post-graduate course.

Ernst Freund, Secretary

A meeting was held at No. 5700 Woodlawn Avenue on Thursday, April 17th at 8 p.m. Messrs. Beale, Freund, Lee, and Hall.

It was voted to recommend the establishment of the degree of LL.D., to be granted upon the completion of the curriculum. To accept students accepted by the Faculty as candidates for said degree, provided such students shall be qualified to enter the Senior college of the University, and provided they have heard a six-months' thorough law work.

Ernst Freund-Lindley