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DEANS' FORUM SUMMARY

January 20, 2011

Attending: Ali, Baker, Boocker, Bullock, DeFrank, Edick, Fiene, Gouttierre, Hynes, Pol, Reed, Smith-Howell, Snyder, Wallace

- **Approval of Summary for December 16, 2010 Deans' Forum –Approved**
- **Budget Planning Update**
 - The Governor's message is positive about the state budget. We still have increased costs that will lead to tighter budgets in the next two years. Budget still goes through normal approval process.
 - Discussion about specific elements of the budget and how they affect the university in a more targeted fashion.
 - Need to have clear idea of how the process for dealing with budget shortfalls on the campus will progress.
 - BOR is oriented towards looking at low-enrolled programs and determining if the NU system should develop a process for more strategic offerings.
 - Similar processes have been developed in MO and KS.
 - Work is progressing through EPAC to identify the process for removing programs from UNO's official list of programs.
 - Campus Budget Forum: January 27, 10:00 a.m.
- **Commencement Update**
 - Results of the December 20, 2010 Commencement Meeting indicated consensus regarding the following:
 - May 2011 commencement will be at the Civic Auditorium as previously planned.
 - August graduates will be invited to participate in May or December ceremony, as they choose.
 - December graduation will be held at the Sapp Field House with the colleges split in two sessions.
 - May 2012 is still targeted for having commencement on campus.
- **Enrollment Update**
 - Undergraduate
 - Spring 2011 - 1.2% up for SCH and headcount
 - Fall 2011 - admits up 20%
 - Graduate, including G.A. Study
 - Discussion of the issues surrounding the decrease in graduate applications and admits.
 - Proactive steps are being taken to address the issue.
 - Reflection on G.A. report that identifies the allocation of G.A.'s across various programs.
- **Program Approval: Management Minor - Approved**
- **Crisis Intervention**
 - Discussion of policies and procedures to create a more secure environment on campus. Initial discussion about creating a team that could evaluate potential threats on a more regular basis.