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Attending: Ali, Baker, Boocker, Bullock, Crockett (for Keel), DeFrank, Edick, Fiene, Gouttierre, Harland (for Pol), Hynes, Reed, Smith-Howell, Snyder, Wallace

- **Approval of Summary for January 20, 2011 Deans' Forum - *Approved***
- **NU Foundation Proposals (Scott Snyder)**
 - **Discussion on various potential proposals**
 - **Interdisciplinary collaboration**
 - **Thematic or regional synergies**
 - **Distinction should be made between graduate and undergraduate partnerships.**
 - **Look at these funds as an investment rather than as a consumable.**
 - **General agreement that we should leverage what we have done well in the past and focus on institutional connections. Also, a**
 - **Modify three proposals, possibly develop a fourth that would incorporate elements of the other three.**
- **Proposed Changes in Fees for 2011-2012 - *Approved***
- **Differential Tuition: Graduate Level**
 - **Discussion held on implementing tuition levels for various programs.**
 - **IS&T, PA, CBA and Speech Language Pathology are interested in discussing options and possibly developing proposals.**
- **Commencement Update**
 - **May 2011 graduation will be held at Civic Center**
 - **Subsequent graduations on campus.**
 - **Discussion on the logistics of how the various separate ceremonies/receptions will be coordinated going forward.**
 - **SVC Hynes supporting deans in visiting other institutions with models similar to what we are proposing.**
- **Managing Grant/Contract Funding**
 - **Discussion on in hiring post-docs and other grant-funded positions, particularly as it relates to vacation time accrued.**
 - **Complexities such as grant start dates need to be navigated in the future.**
- **Budget Planning for Biennium**
 - **Discussion on budget cuts over the next two years and the implementation process.**
 - **Questions about how we factor in the potential of the Academic Excellence Fund and the impact of retirements.**

2.7 Enrollment Management Plans (Thomas Wallace)

2.8 Course Evaluation Analysis (Steve Bullock)

2.9 Update on Study re: Allocation of Graduate Assistants (Deb Smith-Howell)