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- Approval of Summary for February 17, 2011 Deans’ Forum -Approved

- Conversation with Chancellor John Christensen: UNO Administrative Transition

- Guidelines for rehiring faculty who elect to take the VRSIO
  - Hired for “time certain” with beginning and ending dates specified in letter of offer
  - Funded with non-state dollars
  - Hired for part-time
  - Hired to meet specific transition need
  - J.B. Milliken must approve all who are re-hired, so route draft contracts through OASA for Chancellor

- Review of OASA Budget Reduction and Use of Academic Excellence Funds.
  - Impact of the projected cuts across colleges.
  - Request for updated potential budget cuts by April 25 from Deans.

- 120-credit hour Undergraduate Degree Threshold Endorsement
  - Unanimous approval to move forward with the colleges determining timelines per internal and external factors.

- Using the New Course Evaluation Forms/Results for Assessment of Teaching Effectiveness: Conversation
  - What reports will be most beneficial to deans
  - College averages and how we might use the data going forward

- UNO Learning Resource Centers Website
  - Discussion of creating a more effective portal site for our various learning centers.
  - General support and a request to have Dan O’Dell work with Jolene Adams to help develop this tool

- Action Item: Approval of M.S.—Information Assurance -Approved unanimously

- Updates on Enrollments and Commencement
  - Graduate numbers are inconsistent but comparable to 2009.
  - Coordination improving for graduate recruitment and enrollment.
  - Commencement planning continuing

- Deans’ Forum meetings moved to 1st Thursday of each month, Academic Deans to 3rd Thursday of each month.