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DEANS' FORUM SUMMARY

April 21, 2011

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

- **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.**