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DEANS' FORUM SUMMARY

April 3, 2014

Attendees: H. Ali, G. Baker, P. Barnes, J. Bartle, D. Boocker, N. Edick, J. Fiene, T. Gouttierre, L. Keel, P. Morrice, L. Pol, H. Robinson, D. Smith-Howell, D. Shipp, S. Shorb, S. Snyder, N. Topp, S. Woods

Guests:

International Studies Staff – T. Gouttierre provided an introduction of ISS staff and an update concerning related activities.

T. Gouttierre introduced international guests to campus, and provided an update regarding activities of the Center for Afghanistan studies.

Nancy R. Meyer, Administrative Technician - introduced by P. Barnes as the new full-time Administrative Technician for the Center for Faculty Development.

John Golka, Director Testing Center and Staff, introduced by P. Morrice. J. Golka provided an update regarding current activities of the center.

Angela Eikenberry, Associate Professor, Public Administration and Chair of UNO Sustainability Committee

- Provided update regarding the Sustainability Master Plan

Craig Moody, Principal, Verdis Group

- Described the plan and led a group discussion

Summary of minutes for March 6, 2014 Deans Forum were approved.

H. Robinson provided results of an examination of administrative expenditures/costs. A handout was distributed. Discussion followed concerning trends and the nature of what is considered administrative/non-human resources.

D. Smith-Howell shared a discussion regarding funding needs for Summer Bridge Programs, and efficient coordination of summer programs. D. Shipp described efforts to analyze current programs, and develop bridge programs to fill in the gaps.

P. Morrice provided an update regarding a committee reviewing summer course scheduling.

P. Barnes provided an update regarding the Center for Faculty Development and introduced a revised mission statement and name change to "Center for Faculty Excellence". **The proposed name change was supported.**

P. Barnes presented information regarding the use of talent scholarships and proposed use of non-restricted funds to support OASA needs.

D. Smith-Howell and J. Bartle described the need for the BS in Gerontology. **The Dean's voted to support the degree proposal.**

D. Smith-Howell and J. Bartle provided a brief update concerning the Nebraska Center for Justice Research.

D. Smith-Howell provided an update regarding the approval of the following concentrations and minor:

- Emergency Management Concentration
- Mathematics Concentration
- Minor in Sustainability