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**In attendance:** B.J. Reed, Gail Baker, John Bartle, Brett Blackman, David Boocker, Omar Correa, Deepak Khazanchi (for Hesham Ali), Nancy Edick, Barbara Pickering (Faculty Fellow), Lou Pol, Jane Meza, David Richards, Hank Robinson, Connie Schaffer (Faculty Fellow), Dan Shipp, Deborah Smith-Howell and Sara Woods.

**Jane Meza, Interim Associate Vice Chancellor for Global and Student Support was formally introduced.**

**Guest: Jill Russell, Assistant to the SVC for Accreditation and Special Projects**

- **Faculty Credentials – Updated Policy Document**
  - J. Russell discussed the new proposed academic policy about faculty credentials in alignment with HLC requirements.
  - B. Reed noted that we are developing an inventory on faculty credentials that can be used in a variety of ways.

**The policy was reviewed and approved.**
- **Summary for November Meeting - Approved and Posted on Web Site**
- **Fee Changes for 2017-2018**
  - D. Smith Howell shared the fee requests and noted that there are several more steps before the fee proposals move forward.
- **Budget Planning**
  - B. Reed discussed the ongoing budget planning.
- **OASA Vision/Priorities for Next Two Years**
  - B. Reed discussed the need for a vision around research.
    - Need to have a collective discussion around research vision that is validated and clearly articulated.
    - There are areas where UNO leads and others are support roles.
    - Should have our mission written and concise.
    - Need to revisit academic priorities to evaluate success and/or relevance.
    - Requested a subgroup to discuss and review.
    - International is in good shape with the Internationalization Lab and other activities.
  - N. Edick stated academic priorities review is a key step that must be aligned with any research or other priorities.
  - D. Khazanchi suggested that the units play a role in determining the vision.
  - J. Bartle suggested a bottom up approach to determine the research vision to build on existing strengths.
  - N. Edick suggested additional conversations about the structure and activities around international programming.
  - D. Boocker stated that the priorities should involve and be embraced by all aspects of the campus.
  - J. Meza stated research priorities are embedded into academic priorities.
  - B. Reed will reach out for volunteers to serve on committees to review priorities.
- **International will be agenda discussion item at February meeting.**
- **Report Item: MAcc in Accounting**