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In Attendance:  B. J. Reed, Hesham Ali, Gail Baker, Paul Barnes (for Nancy Edick), Bret Blackman, Jonathon Benjamin-Alvarado, David Boocker, Bruce Grogan, Lynn Harland (for Lou Pol), Jane Meza, Barbara Pickering (Administrative Fellow), David Richards, Hank Robinson, Deborah Smith-Howell, Scott Snyder, Dan Shipp and Sara Woods

Guest:  Jody Neathery – Castro, Chair, Political Science

- Internationalization Lab
  - J. Neathery-Castro provided Power Point presentation that will be used in the International/Global panel at the upcoming Strategic Planning meeting on February 3, 2017. She discussed membership on action groups and asked for input on members.
  - S. Snyder discussed international research opportunities with institutions around the world and how to determine if and how we can build broader partnerships.
  - B. Grogan discussed the integration of International Studies and Programs into the University.
  - Liz Reyes-Nunez (graduate student) talked about gaining and sharing information from the perspective of graduate students.
  - J. Bartle suggested that the many programs be organized institutionally for better leveraging of the myriad activities associated with international.
  - Several models of international engagement were discussed.

Summary for January 9, 2017 Meeting - Approved and Posted on Web Site

New/Old Business

- Internationalization Planning –
  - J. Meza discussed the collaboration with UNO, UNMC and Nebraska Medicine

- Budget Planning
  - B. Reed stated that budget is a moving target; reminded everyone of the schedule around the budget.
  - May 10 is day of the legislative vote on budget.

- Periodic Seminar Series
  - B. Reed shared that former Secretary Chuck Hagel would like to develop a periodic seminar series around topics of interest and have the campus spend time (perhaps a day) discussing.
  - Students, faculty, staff could participate perhaps for launch in the fall of 2017.
  - The group expressed interest and discussed logistics, staffing, branding and overall resources needed.
  - J. Meza suggested health security as a potential topic.

- Priority Taskforce Groups
  - S. Snyder talked about adding faculty to the Research Vision Committee. He is gathering retrospective information before determining where the research vision is headed.
  - B. Reed said the hope is that at the end of this process there will be a research plan and priorities which articulates who we are as a campus around research.
  - J. Bartle talked about the value of unfunded research that leads to publication.
  - B. Reed stated we need to be able to better capture these activities.

- Report Items
  - Creation of the Biomedical Sciences Graduate Certificate
  - Discontinuation of the Graduate Minor in Music
  - Name Change of the Graduate Certificate *American Government* to *Government*