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Attendees : H. Ali, G. Baker, P. Barnes, M. Berke, D. Boocker, N. Edick, M. Farnam (for S. Snyder), J. Fiene, D. Gilbert, T. Gouttierre, R. Henry, P. Morrice, L. Pol, B.J. Reed, S. Shorb, R. Smith, D. Smith-Howell, G. Toman (for J. Bartle), N. Topp, S.Woods

Guests: Mark Goldsberry, Director, Records and Registration
Jenna Olson, Assistant Director, Records and Registration
Malisa Lee, Assistant Vice Chancellor, Enrollment Management

Facilities Master Plan Presentation – MBSC – Council Room

Attended by approximately 38 members of the campus and community.

Bill Conley (Vice Chancellor for Business and Finance) and John Amend (Director of Facilities Management and Planning) provided an update concerning UNO's current Facilities Master Plan. Conley provided a brief history of the master plan process. The UNO master plan was last completed in 2006. Each plan is written to address a 10-year time period.

The current plan was development with consideration given to concepts such energy needs, transportation, classroom utilization, housing, and educational needs (i.e. Online Education, STEM, Early Childhood). The plan includes new construction, as well as, some possible buildings slated for retirement, replacement or repurposing.

Deans' Forum Meeting

- Goldsberry and Olson provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the updated Transfer Evaluation System.
- Articulation agreements are updated and the new system includes an automated transcript equivalence process that expedites student registration
- G. Toman shared information about new partnerships between BGS degree programs and the Community Colleges.
- Malisa Lee provided a virtual tour of the new admissions website and UNO's financial aid page.
- **Summary of Deans' Forum meeting for June 6, 2013 were approved.**
- D. Smith-Howell moderated a discussion regarding UNO's team experience at an AAC&U Conference regarding High Impact Practices (HIP). The team included (Smith-Howell, Shipp, Berke, Wolf and Boocker). M. Berke identified campus plans for implementing Academic Learning Communities (ALC). The Dean's Forum group endorsed moving forward with initial steps in implementing ALC groups on campus. Some concern regarding initiative fatigue and resource limitations were expressed.
- The potential advantages for Differential Tuition Proposals were described by T. Gouttierre. Two specific programs discussed involved partnerships with Midwest China Council (MCC) and Japan's National Collegiate Network. **The Dean's Forum supported the advancement of the proposals.**

- N. Topp shared the strategic plan for STEM initiatives, developed by the STEM committee. Copies of the plan were distributed. He also provided a list of potential funding sources for STEM initiatives.
- An update regarding Enrollment Management was provided by P. Morrice. Discussion on further development of the strategic plan and UNO's possible involvement in the American College Application Campaign (ACAC), which focuses on encouraging first generation students to apply for college.
- G. Toman (for Bartle) shared information from a new Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between UNO and Offutt that may allow for additional marketing and promotion of UNO programs on the base.
- J. Fiene shared information regarding a new Systems Access Policy. A copy of the policy was provided. The policy helps define processes related to hiring and separating employees with regard to appropriate access to information systems.