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Attending: Terry Hynes, Wade Robinson, Lou Pol, Steve Shorb, David Conway, B.J. Reed, Gail Baker, Tom Gouttierre, Deb Smith-Howell, Lanyce Keel, David Boocker, Hesham Ali, Harmon Maher, Steve Bullock

**1. Approval of summary for May 21, 2009 Dean's Forum meeting (Attachment\*\*\*)**

**2. Just Good Stuff**

- Smith-Howell: Paul Sather out of hospital
- Keel: New employee started.
- Ali: Atlantis grant approved involving 4 universities (2 U.S. and 2 European)
- Maher: NU Foundation proposals funded almost fully.
- Shorb: Will be on one-year leave to help design academic library for NYU in Abu Dhabi.
- Conway: Update on Norweigan experience. Lewis and Clark summer school.
- Reed: EPSCOR grant funded. Another non-profit, Table Talk, may become part of CPACS. Roger Garcia hired by Jim Suttle.
- Baker: Shakespeare on the Green. CFAM on Facebook.
- Gouttierre: Fulbright students and 1 faculty member. Cultural immersion seminar.
- Hynes: Nebraska Humanities Council dinner.

**3. New Business**

**3.1 Nebraska Incubation Center (NIC) Update - Harmon Maher**

- Update on meeting with consultants. UNO and UNMC being asked to participate in the development of the research park in Lincoln. Discussion about research expertise on our campus and what we could add to the endeavor. Discussion about the evolution of PKI and the overlap with the NIC.

**3.2 CCPE Update: Deb Smith-Howell**

- BS in IT Innovation approved.
- Executive Director of NE Independent Colleges and Universities presented.

**3.3 Review/Approval: Allocation of Technology Fee \$ - Lanyce Keel(Attachment\*\*\*)-Approved**

**3.4 Searle Scholars Program (Attachment\*\*\*) - August 31 deadline for recommendations.**

**3.5 Deans' Forum Retreat: Date/Place –**

- NU Foundation Office Board Room is preferred location/September possibility.

**3.6 School of Interdisciplinary Informatics – Deb Smith-Howell (Attachment\*\*\*)**

- Update on IS&T's proposal. Faculty Senate and EPAC voted to endorse the proposal. Deans' Forum offered support for the proposal after discussion.

3.7 RPT Process: Discussion – Terry Hynes (**Attachment\*\*\***)

- Discussion held about possible changes in allowing college level review for faculty in first and second years of service credited for tenure, especially those that have positive recommendations for reappointment at all levels through the level of the dean. Other aspects of the RPT process were discussed.