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DEANS' FORUM SUMMARY

November 1, 2012

Attendees: Ali , Baker, Barnes, Bartle, Boocker, DeFrank (for Shorb), Edick, Fiene, Gouttierre, Keel, Morrice, Pol, Topp, Shipp, R Smith, Smith-Howell, S Snyder, Reed, Topp

Guests: Mark Goldsberry, Director, Records and Registration
Lori Byrnes, Vice President/UNO Director of Development, University of NE Foundation
Brian Hastings, President and CEO, University of NE Foundation

- Approval of Summary for Dean's Forum October 4, 2012.

- Mark Goldsberry provided an update - Fall 2012 and Spring 2013 commencement plan.
 - Fall 2012 - Presentation - issues of setup, sound, field house, marshals, and program. Initial projections suggest student participation may increase by approx.100 students.
 - Spring 2013 - Presentation - issues of hooding, changes concerning graduate students, elimination of tickets, bad weather scenario, and speaker options.
 - Previous ceremonies were referred to as "graduation". Recommendations were made to identify the ceremony as "University of Nebraska Omaha Commencement".
 - Tentative commencement/college schedule was shared including projected times and attendance.
 - Discussion - usefulness of a tent to handle excessive heat and/or sun.

- Enrollment Management & Marketing – Pelema Morrice
 - EMEC/Noel Levitz recommended updating the UNO website to more accurately reflect the institution.
 - Website taskforce recommended Lipman Hearne as consultant/web developer.
 - Plan to get initial changes in place prior to the upcoming admission cycle.
 - Bret Blackman and Erin Owen -project team leaders for website redesign.
 - Potential organizational structure was distributed regarding future website content and management.
 - Target dates for phases of revision and implementation timelines were shared.
 - Monday January 28, 2013 is the projected launch date for the new homepage.

- Research Reporting & Fees – B.J. Reed
 - Key goals:
 - We must work to assure all external dollars be counted.
 - UNO must have a structure for institutional review that assures we handle all research/grant related funds appropriately.
 - A revenue stream must be in place to fund OASA's work to support grants, research and creative/activity.

- University Affiliated Research Centers (UARC) Information – Scott Snyder
 - UARC is a research initiative associated with the National Strategic Research Institute (NSRI).
 - Nebraska component is affiliated with US-STRATCOM.
 - UNO will have increased opportunity for involvement as the program develops.

- Introduction of Brian Hastings. new CEO of the University of NE Foundation
 - Update regarding current areas of focus for the University of NE Foundation.