The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m.

Guests: Cheryl Marshall
        Gary Nellesen
        Barbara McNeice-Stallard

1. **March 16, 2005 Meeting Notes**

Meeting notes were approved as presented.

2. **Budget Committee Report**

Interim Vice President Nellesen reported on the following two issues being discussed by the Budget Committee:

- Zero-based budget. This concept was initially presented to President’s Advisory Council on March 16 as part of the proposed budget development process. The Budget Committee is working on how that can be done. The Committee doesn’t want to just throw out the concept without giving Departments the tools to work with.

- Grant initiative proposal. Mr. Nellesen explained that while some grants have funds for indirect costs, others do not. The Budget Committee is studying a proposal that would take up to $50,000 of the grant indirect costs funds and spread them across all grants.

Interim Vice President Nellesen said the Budget Committee has also had preliminary discussions about the 2005-06 budget, but until the May Revise is published, there’s not a lot to discuss.

3. **College Goals**

Cheryl Marshall continued to facilitate the group’s work on defining the College’s goals. By the end of the meeting, the following goals had been agreed upon:

- Establish and expand partnerships with socially responsible business and industry, the community, and other educational organizations to enhance the reputation and overall success of the college.

- Ensure that all students have the opportunity to be successful by providing exceptional educational programs and services that utilize technology to enhance teaching and learning and are focused on dynamic student learning outcomes.
• Embrace an environment of mutual respect and integrity that encourages the exchange of ideas and acknowledges and values contributions made by members of the College Community.

• Strive to become a nationally recognized institution of higher education that embraces an atmosphere of open, self-reflective dialogue in making policies and plans that ensure life-long learning opportunities that are conducive to the achievement of individual goals.

• Widen the circle of opportunity for teaching and learning by increasing consciousness of diversity and promoting equity.

• Secure funding that supports exemplary programs and services in a fiscally responsible environment.

• Prepare students to appreciate the importance of and effectively utilize the unique insights gained from all areas of learning in the formation of rational public policy choices and to be socially, culturally, and politically responsible citizens.

**Action:** The proposed College goals will be sent to Dr. O’Hearn for his review and Board approval.

4. **Next Meeting**

Because several people had calendar conflicts with the scheduled June 1 meeting, the next meeting will be held June 15, 3:00-4:30 p.m., Administration Building, Room 205.

The meeting adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

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