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- 1) Dean Hoch presented the FY08 and FY09 budgets. He discussed the potential implications of the Governor's mandated 3 percent budget cut for FY08 and of the proposed 12 percent budget cut for FY09. Until departments are notified differently, all current faculty searches should proceed as planned.
- Dean Hoch announced that the College will suspend its matching-funds program with regard TA stipends and summer school revenues. However, departments still will receive 50 percent of their summer school revenues minus instructional costs.
- 3) Dean Hoch solicited feedback from the Chairs regarding the College's priorities as the University moves into a budget reduction environment.
- 4) Assistant Dean Pica announced that staff evaluations are due to his office on February 15. Effective immediately supervisors and Chairs are able to give performance ratings with 0.5 increments. He also announced that he and JoLynn Noe, Assistant Dean for Enrollment Management, would be providing additional feedback to the Chairs on departmental staff that interact with their respective offices. Supporting documentation will need to be included for any staff member that receives an overall perfect evaluation score of 5.0.
- 5) Dean Hoch discussed the usage level of the SSTARS Center Lab. There appears to be a highlevel of usage, particularly among the social sciences.