AGENDA

1) Provost Update: news of academic import
   a) faculty status -- census
   c) programs, initiatives, etc.

2) FY10 Reversions
   a) Discussion of Regents requested top 8:
      At 9:14 AM -0500 10/15/09, President Geoffroy wrote:
      We were asked to consider each of the following strategies in developing that plan:

      1. Temporary salary reductions.
      2. Temporary lay-offs/furloughs.
      3. Benefit revisions of a temporary or permanent nature.
      5. Postponing non-essential deferred maintenance and repairs.
      6. Refocusing efforts, including potential program eliminations.
      7. Permanent lay-offs.
      8. Selling non-essential assets to generate one-time funds.
   b) Discussion of additional concepts -- from agenda for meeting 9-08; which we continue to believe have merit:
      ~ Carry-forward funds: $19M. It was suggested that some of this is to be used to make up a reversion or FY11 cut. What are these funds? What priorities do they support? What academic programs do they support? Will the evaluation be done centrally or at the unit level? We encourage careful review, possibly with differential reservation, prior to using them to meet reduction targets.
      ~ We propose an aggressive review of centers: What are their various missions? What level of external funds do they bring in? What level of internal funding supports them? What is the net impact on mission?
      ~ Distance Education revenues seem to be off the books. What are the costs associated with distance ed, the revenues and net positive impacts? Is this a place to cut or invest? Need better understanding of how this works.
      ~ Improved energy and operations management of facilities: intensive review
      ~ Intensive review of all business and non-academic operations such as purchasing, police, facilities operations and design, etc.: would it be better and more cost effective to outsource these? What is the level/potential of cooperative service in these areas with UNI and SUI? (While we may be efficient -- are the levels of service what they should be?)

3) Budget Development for FY11:
a) Key issues
~ tuition increase beyond HEPI: Can we be more aggressive on a tuition increase above 2.7%? What are the market/political implications?
~ retirement incentive program
~ strategic priorities and planning: closures, realignments, centers of excellence
~ permanent staff reduction
~ salary & benefits
b) Spring Schedule -- provost suggestion regarding twice-monthly meetings -- realistic appraisal given P&T Schedule during Feb and Mar; feedback time during April

4) Other

5) Remaining Semester Schedule:

All meetings are at 8:00-9:00 AM except as noted.

Oct 29, at LoM 107
Nov 19, at 1550 Beardshear w/ provost
Dec 3, at LoM 107
Dec 17 (exam week), at 1550 Beardshear w/ provost