College of Sciences and Arts  
College Council, January 20, 2010 (revised)  
9:00 – 10:50

I. Information Items
   A. Charges for research credits for on-line graduate programs  
      (email from J. Huntoon 12/23):  
      Feedback?

   B. REF proposals: Tech Today 1/19/10  
      Proposal deadline 2/25; allows 1 week for dean’s letter.  
      If requesting cost share, notify dean’s office of amount by 2/15

   C. NASA Summer of Innovation Pilot (attached)  
   D. Binder changes review (attached)  
   E. Graduate Research Colloquium Poster and Presentation session: 2/25-26  
   E. CSA Computing update

II. Discussion
   A. On-line funding questions  
   B. Campaign fund-raising targets  
   C. Strategic planning statements

III. On-going Departmental Activities
   A. Unit-level Strategic Plan Updates, including Courses and programs review;  
      Diversity plans;  
      Also Campaign Fund-raising Target/Needs Updates

   B. Department Mentoring Programs

   C. Deferred: Safety for Field Experiences: College or university process?  
      Summer school incentive return

IV. Discussion topic: 1/27
   A. SFHI: balancing research and programmatic priorities (SFHI steering committee chairs)  
      Charge from Max:
      “had good meeting today with the health steering committee. the key discussion point  
      was the same as we discussed at our deans meeting: how to make the best possible hires,  
      how to advance the strategic plan, how to balance the programmatic needs of units with  
      the possibility to attract “star” researchers, and how to get the best possible input/decision  
      making process (beyond having chairs/deans part of the cogen review).  
      “to cut a long discussion short: deans of the 2 colleges: pls invite the chairs of the  
      steering committees to your next college council meeting to have exactly this discussion.  
      after the college council discussions, i will invite the steering committee chairs to the  
      deans council to finalize the selection approach which makes most sense and is most  
      strategically.”