I. Miscellaneous Items-Glen Nelson
Nelson discussed the current budget system and his plan moving forward to change the university budget process. Nelson talked about resetting the base budget for next year. The finance office is currently looking at spending over the last few years to come up with a base budget. Nelson talked about all funds budget instead of looking at budgets as local and appropriated funds. Nelson will be meeting with each Dean individually to discuss their base budget. The ultimate goal is that Deans’ will have responsibility, flexibility, and accountability for their budgets.

II. Project Charter Document-Kevin Satterlee
Satterlee went through the Academic Affairs Project Charters. The charter areas are Momentum Pathways, Graduate Program Funding, ISU Outreach, Develop an Idaho Falls Comprehensive Plan, Research Overhaul, INL Collaboration, Clinical Facilities Improvement Plan, New Program Financial Model, Comprehensive Enrollment Management Plan, Dual-Enrollment, Top 10 Employers, Timeline, and Reporting Criteria. Satterlee asked Deans’ to send feedback to Grace by April 5, 2019. Satterlee discussed the Bengal Visit Day recruiting event and ways to increase faculty participation. The Bengal Visit Day is April 20, 2019.

III. Building an Academic Program in Intelligence Analysis
Tabled due to time.
IV. **Gem Awards**
Tolke discussed the Idaho GEM Courses Teaching Awards. One instructor in each of the following categories (Written Communication, Oral Communication, Mathematical Ways of Knowing, Scientific Ways of Knowing, Humanistic and Artistic Ways of knowing, and Social and Behavioral Ways of knowing). Nominations are due to the State Board of Education by May 1, 2019.

V. **Notification of Change in Course Delivery**
Tolke discussed online course offering and issues that arise when online courses are cancelled. Programs require courses that are offered online and when they are cancelled, their students have no way to earn that credit. Ways to avoid this in the future where discussed.

VI. **Information Items**
Woodworth-Ney announced that Rick Wagoner was unanimously voted in as the Chair of Faculty Senate for the 2019-2020 academic school year.

Wilson-Scott discussed Graduate School GPA calculation changes.

- The Graduate School proposes to admit with a GPA of 2.5, accepting the Cumulative GPA, rather than calculating the last 60 credits.
- Students will remain subject to GRE requirements, waiver for 3.5 or better unless programs have additional requirements.
- Programs may calculate the last 60 credits themselves and submit it to the Graduate School in place of the Cumulative GPA. The Graduate School will accept the program prefers.

Wilson-Scott will take these changes to Graduate Faculty Council and then bring their recommendation back to Deans’ Council.

VII. **Action Items from last Meeting**
None

VIII. **Important Dates & Deadlines**
Distinguished Faculty Event-April 9, 6-9 pm, Juniper Hills Country Club

Adjournment 11:37 am