Council of Chairs Meeting Minutes Thursday, April 17, 2008 8:30 AM, 245 POT

- 1) Dean Hoch discussed the FY09 budget. He announced that departments may carry-over up to 5 percent of their FY08 current expense budget into FY09.
- 2) Dean Hoch described the priorities for allocating new faculty lines.
- 3) The Chairs began a discussion about the effects of the budget reductions on College's strategic plan and the institution's Top 20 Business Plan. The Chairs stated that adding additional faculty lines should be the College's top priority when requesting additional resources.
- 4) Assistant Dean Noe described curriculum maps and announced that beginning next fall all departments will need to began mapping their curricula.
- 5) The Dean's Office asked if there was any objection to changing the Teaching Release for Probationary Faculty Policy to allow faculty to take the teaching release during either semester in their fourth year (upon consulting with the department chair). Currently the policy states that the teaching release must be taken in the second semester of the fourth year. There was no objection to making this change.
- 6) The Chairs were shown the new prospective faculty webpage.
- 7) Assistant Dean Turner made a presentation on work-family policies.