Rosson called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Programs of Excellence (PoE) pre-proposals for funding
Fourteen pre-proposals were received in the Institutional Research and Planning office by 2:45 p.m. on October 1. They were distributed to the APC members present. Kramer said she would check for additional pre-proposals when she returned to the office. [Copies of 19 pre-proposals are attached to the permanent record, including pre-proposals received after the meeting and updates to pre-proposals presented at the meeting.]

Rosson submitted a tentative list of issues that APC should consider in evaluating the pre-proposals. APC discussed and expanded the list as follows.

1. Does the proposal make sense for UNL as a whole?
   - Is it achievable?
   - Is there a critical mass of scholars?
   - Is there evidence of collaborative efforts?
   - Is there evidence that the program is a priority for the college/unit?
   - Has the college/unit committed resources to the program?
   - How would the grant raise the quality of the program?
   - Is the program sustainable?
   - Is the budget reasonable?

2. Should a full proposal be developed? (Please rank it on a scale of 1 to 3, with 3 as the highest indicating it is definitely worthy of further development; 2 indicating it is of average importance, and 1 indicating it does not merit further development at this time.)

3. Assuming a full proposal will be written, what items need to be more fully addressed (list)?

Proposal for a School of Architectural Engineering and Construction
Four documents that were not pre-proposals for priority funding were included in the pre-proposal packet. They proposed a School of Architectural Engineering and Construction and academic programs in Construction Engineering at the Bachelors, Masters and Doctoral levels. APC members commented
that endorsements by the Graduate Council, Dean and Vice Chancellor should have been included with the proposals. Nunez said he would inform the appropriate people that the proposals for the degree programs were premature.

**Formation of Ad Hoc Subcommittee**
Rosson asked for volunteers to review the School of Architectural Engineering and Construction proposal. A subcommittee was formed (Kettler, Campbell and Kostelnik). Since the proposal involves a departmental merger, APC requires a faculty survey. APC has several questions that a survey should address. Kostelnik suggested the departments be allowed to add their own questions to the survey. There was agreement that responses to the survey should go directly to IRP to insure confidentiality. Kramer was asked to send the most recent *Guidelines for Submission of Proposals for New or Modified Academic Programs* to the APC members. [Milligan arrived.]

Members were asked to evaluate each pre-proposal according to the list of issues APC had developed. Responses were to be sent to Nunez by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 6. Nunez and Kramer would collect the responses and organize them for discussion at the October 8 APC meeting.

**Budget Reduction Recommendations**
Van Etten asked for information on the impact of the proposed Health and Human Performance reductions. Kostelnik responded to questions from the other APC members, then left the meeting. Discussion of the HHP reduction and other budget reductions continued.

**Motion**
Keown moved and Van Etten seconded endorsement of the proposal to eliminate the Industrial Systems Technology program in accordance with the figures provided by the Chancellor. The motion passed.

**Motion**
Van Etten made a motion against endorsement of the proposed reduction to Education and Human Sciences programs in Omaha. Ambrosius seconded. The motion passed.

**Motion**
Keown moved to endorse the proposal to eliminate the Department of Health and Human Performance. Hansen seconded. The motion passed.

There was discussion of APC’s request for copies of the complete UNL budget on compact disk. Nunez said he would bring the budget CDs to the next APC meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lona Kramer, APC Coordinator