Ideas Drawn from 2014 Planning and Budget Cluster Conversations

Increased Communication

- Law Dean is personally visiting the other academic deans to discuss collaborations, other Deans could engage in these one-on-one idea sessions. This could include the creation of more joint certificate programs.

- Units and Centers can schedule visits to each school for instruction and guidance. Often individual school faculties have committees dealing with the areas served by units or sub-components of units. Deans could send their committee chair names to the related units.

- Creating a faculty hosted “Best Practices” and practical advice as web page with contributions by Units and Schools. Examples include Philanthropy on fund raising and Education on teaching. Medicine on guidance for writing grants.

- Recruit for school certificate/degree programs from our own faculty & staff.

- Increased communication between schools about programs with more cluster conversation type events.

Potential collaborations:

- Creation of a “health focused” curriculum committee/task force to bring together schools with health related degrees or research. Or, there could be expansion of the role of the Health & Life Sciences Advising Center.

- President McRobbie supports the signature community health project – implement new components for faculty & staff.

- Shared or coordinated campus international student recruitment for schools with similar needs/criteria.
Curriculum model ideas

- First year career exploration program
- Service Learning (Philanthropy)
- Entrepreneurial Opportunities (Informatics)
- Sophomore Retention program using mentors with assessment mid-term in course (Herron)
- Intrusive advising (Liberal Arts)
- Convert existing certificate programs areas into PhD programs. However this would need substantial funding.
- Non-traditional class schedules for certificates (one day a week intensives, evenings, weekends, mini-courses during breaks)

Faculty awareness ideas other schools/units could adopt

- Philanthropy and Education faculty both offered to have training sessions for IUPUI faculty and deans on their areas of expertise.
- Reward or recognition for professional development at department, school, perhaps even campus level.
- IUPUC monitors volunteerism of the faculty and generates reports (outside of the FAR) includes advising celebrate the participation.
- Finance is doing increased “onboarding” of new personnel to increase awareness of campus services. This concept could transfer to faculty. Perhaps it could be offered as online training/awareness similar to the FERPA program for faculty.

Community awareness ideas other schools could adopt

- A scholarship focus in fundraising is a double win as the money raised comes back to the schools – locate and maximize matching funds sponsors.
- Law has scheduled media training for the faculty to increase profile of school in the community.
- External Affairs aggregate information from faculty FAR reports to promote campus profile in community.