

**Senior Staff Meeting
February 23, 2009
Meeting Notes**

Attending: Theresa Aragon, Don Bantz, John Carmichael, Art Costantino, Lee Hoemann, Steve Hunter, John Hurley, Les Purce, Todd Sprague, Allen Toothaker, Steve Trotter
Absent: Julie Suchanek

Legislative Update

Les Purce described his testimony before the Senate Education Committee, Senate Ways and Means Committee and House Appropriations Committee. He also described meetings about Evergreen's capital budget request. He said that information about the federal stimulus money is beginning to emerge. The group discussed bills affecting financial aid programs, workplace bullying, benefits eligibility and regulatory relief.

Draft Layoff Procedures

Allen Toothaker described the layoff procedures drafted, emphasizing the procedures for exempt staff. Allen also described the bumping procedures that follow from the classified union contract. The procedures will be finalized through policy process.

Spending freeze

Steve Trotter described the provisions of SB5460, which put into law several spending freezes. The group discussed the exemptions allowed by the law. The divisions will work through their Budget Coordinators to understand how the freeze affects Evergreen and identify exemptions that may be needed.

Management Group Agenda

John Carmichael discussed the agenda for Wednesday's Management Group meeting. The group will hear reports on the legislative session, the spending freeze, federal stimulus money, and the college budget process.

VP/BC Meeting Agenda

Art Costantino asked the group to clarify the agenda for Tuesday's VP/Budget Coordinator meeting. The group will discuss the spending freeze, look at reduction plans in each division, look at the Faculty Advisory Panel's recommendations for the Academic Division, and get an update on enrollment planning.