“Activity-based” brag points for the chancellor (Robin Kaler) – We would like to help the chancellor build confidence in our mission and our leadership by providing them with brief notes (from the chancellor) whenever an administrator or faculty member is on a national or international stage (especially helping shape government policy or playing a leadership role in higher education or economic development). As you learn of such things in your unit, please send them to Robin at rkaler@illinois.edu

Web Services Update (Julie McMahon) – Julie gave an overview of recent upgrades to Web Services tools:

New Holiday Ecards released: http://illinois.edu/blog/view/437/10049

Directory integration with college profiles: http://illinois.edu/blog/view/437/100266

Blocked Function added to Email+ http://illinois.edu/blog/view/437/100060

Final checklist added to Email+ http://illinois.edu/blog/view/437/98923

Facilities and Services emergency notifications (Steve Breitwieser) – F&S will expand its emergency notification system to give you more real-time information on outages and other things that might affect your unit.

Column I logo (Joel Steinfeldt) – Those attending were polled regarding the use of various versions of the campus logos. The general reaction was that most use the horizontal version of the Illinois logo in the bold palette, with a few using the vertical version when there is a need for centered design. Many would like to see a more square version of the vertical Illinois logo. Very few are using the professional palette logos, but some are still using these softer colors in their Web page designs and some print materials. Most are using the Illinois logo without the "University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign" text, but those working at the UA system level, the Foundation and the Alumni Association do still see value in retaining the versions of the logo with the text still intact, in order to differentiate the Urbana campus from Springfield and Chicago.

Memorial blog (Julie McMahon) – "Illinois Remembers" is a blog set up to give the campus community and Illinois family a place to post photos, share stories, add comments, and personal remembrances online. Archives and categories will allow users to upload and search from the list of posts, which will be monitored by Public Affairs.
Concealed Carry (Robin Kaler) – The concealed carry/smoking ban signs will be posted soon. They’ll be on every door of every building. Dee Dee Caneva will alert us when that’s about to happen, so you can let folks in your area know.

LinkedIn (Allison Vance) - With LinkedIn’s addition of “University Pages” in the last few months, one question has been: where are colleges under this system? After talking to LinkedIn, we are suggesting that every college that feels they need their own presence on LinkedIn should create their own “University Page.” Eventually (1-3 years) we will be able to include them in a hierarchical structure under our main page. Joel, Morgan & I are suggesting that any college that decides to create one should use “NAME OF COLLEGE at Illinois” as their title and should use the I Mark as their image. As was discussed at the meeting, this does not necessarily mean that every college/institute/etc. needs to have its own page. In fact, a compelling case can be made not to have one in some cases. But if you would like to do so, it is now available. If you have any questions please email acvance@illinois.edu. The link to create a University Page is: http://help.linkedin.com/app/answers/detail/a_id/40128

Question of the Month (Robin Kaler) – Deferred until next month

Information needs? (Robin Kaler) – Let us know any topics on which you need FAQs, talkpoints, etc.

Office of Advancement (Don Kojich) – Update on campaign: Through Dec 1 the campaign is at $100.1 million cash, which is up 32% over 2012. The Urban campus has cash intake of $79.4 million, a 52% increase over last year.

Illinois Alumni story ideas (Hugh Cook) – If anyone has story ideas around the idea of “What We Love about Illinois” please contact Hugh at hmcook@uillinois.edu. Hugh also said they the Alumni Association typically has a supply of Illinois Alumni magazines each run. If you would like any of the current or upcoming issues, please contact Hugh.

Office of University Relations (Ginny Hudak-David) – Annual report for University Administration is progressing.