1. FY 2012 CSB. Chancellor Kirwan and Mr. Vivona provided information on the development of the USM budget requests for FY 2012, including possible guidelines for the current services budgets and special initiatives and enhancements. They also discussed the potential impact of the federal stimulus dollars on the FY 2012 budget.

2. Capital Budget Strategy Update. Chancellor Kirwan and Mr. Vivona briefed the presidents on the FY 2012 capital budget request being submitted to the Governor. The request totals $1.46 billion; the current 5 year capital budget is approximately $1.06 billion. The request reflects the priorities of enhancing academic programs in critical employment fields, increasing funding for research space and address the growing backlog for facilities renewal.

3. Extension of benefits for same sex spouses. Chancellor Kirwan and Mr. Travieso briefed the presidents on the issue of extending benefits for same sex spouses, summarizing the AG’s Opinion, outlining USM options and describing what the State is doing with this issue.