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Legislative Lunch Topics (11/9/09)

The format is generally a conversation with the president, with President Dunn updating legislators with status of issues on campus and concerns we have with the legislative items.

Items would include:

- Status of the medical school and next steps
- Michigan Promise and the course of action taken by WMU with our students and Governor Granholm's request that we provide a venue for her
- Concerns with the FY '11 state budget when the federal stimulus funding is gone
- Orchard property legislation - thanking Bob Jones and the house members who supported and prodded the Senate to move the bill
- Community College legislation pending in the house expressing our concerns - this is a delicate one and I will provide John with some specific points
- Our \$1 million earmark from Fred Upton and how this will help businesses in SW Michigan
- Private donations for the Seita Scholars program that has been raised
- Transfer of Geological Survey from state to WMU