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**IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY FACULTY PRESENTATION**  
**“LEARNING COMMUNITIES”**

**Action Requested:** Receive the presentation.

**Executive Summary:**

Ms. Corly Brooke and Mr. Doug Gruenewald, co-directors of ISU Learning Communities, will provide an overview of learning communities and their impact on students and student success at ISU. They will provide a definition of a learning community, a summary of common features of learning communities, information about the development and growth of learning communities during the past few years, and evidence of the contributions of learning communities to enhanced learning and retention. In addition, they will discuss aspects of the peer mentor program and the scholarly work that has evolved from learning communities.