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UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA FACULTY PRESENTATION
“PUBLIC ART – A MEANS OF CONNECTING THE UNIVERSITY
WITH THE CITIZENS OF IOWA”

Action Requested: Receive the presentation.

Executive Summary:

- ◇ Dr. Thomas Stancliffe, a professor in the UNI Department of Art, will describe how public art adds to the quality of life for Iowans, enhances cultural offerings for visitors to the state and to UNI, and connects student learning with faculty research.
- ◇ Iowa Code directs the University of Northern Iowa to “offer undergraduate and graduate courses of instruction, conduct research, and provide extension and other public services in areas of its competence to facilitate the social, cultural, and economic development of Iowa.”
- ◇ Professor Stancliffe will present a visual survey of art works which he and his students have created. These works are on display throughout the state of Iowa.
- ◇ Professor Stancliffe will discuss the following themes:
 - ☑ Public art as a connecting point between the citizens of Iowa and the University of Northern Iowa.
 - ☑ Public art as a conduit for tourism and cultural heritage.
 - ☑ The procedural components of a public art project.
 - ☑ The changing concept of the artist from producer of objects to the expanded role of design project manager engaging with professionals from various fields and involved citizens to bring about the completion of the proposed work.
 - ☑ The crucial relationship between successful faculty research and student learning in studio arts.