Present: Ian Cobham, Christine Dundas, David Heredia, Rulx Jean-Bart, David Kaiser (Co-Chairperson), Susan Manaskie, Tom Meyer, Mayte Pino (for North Campus Testing Department), Leighton Spence, Sofia Villalobos Tavarez

Not Present: Sahyli Galera, Rene García, Ivonne Lamazares, Dora Mejia-Montoya, Juan Carlos Meza, Adam Porro, Ivo Rokovich, Wendy Stinger, Silvio Rodriguez (Co-Chairperson), Cynthia Schuemann

I. Review of Minutes

Minutes of the meeting of May 27, 2009 were approved.

II. Standing Item(s)

A. Research

none

B. Placement Criteria Document 2009-2010

David Kaiser reported that the 2009-2010 Placement Criteria Document was distributed on June 12, 2009 and it is available along with the Memorandum dated 6/12/2009 - Changes to the Placement Criteria Document for 2009-2010 via the Placement Criteria website at https://www.mdc.edu/ir/CPT_CLAST/placement.asp.

III. New Business

A. Research Proposal 2:30pm – Elizabeth Nicoli-Suco

Program for Exception to the Doctorate

The proposal was approved (8 in favor, 1 against, 1 abstention).

B. Research Proposal 3:00pm – Yinka Tella

International Education and the 'Post-9/11 Syndrome: A Study of International Educators in Selected Miami-Area Colleges

The proposal was disapproved (0 in favor, 9 against, 1 abstention; including votes received via email prior to the meeting).

IV. Follow-up Items

A. I.R.B. (Internal Review Board)

David Kaiser reported that the amended Procedure 1321 was reviewed and adjusted by ALC.

V. Information Items

A. SB1908 (CPT pre-12th grade testing and high school college preparatory courses)

David Kaiser informed the Committee that MDC’s third formal meeting with the school district was Tuesday, June 9th and that the MDC and M-DCPS working groups are moving along well with their discipline based assignments. He also reminded the Committee that the following site is an excellent resource http://www.fldoe.org/Schools/CommonPlacementTesting.asp then informed the Committee that the next formal meeting is Tuesday, July 21st.

B. CPT and no more PASS? (CPT retest procedure)

David Kaiser informed the Committee that this item was scheduled for College-wide CASSC on 7/14/2009.
C. No More CLAST
David Kaiser informed the Committee of the following: the State distributed a June 19, 2009 memorandum on CLAST alternatives, which expanded the list of eligible courses that could be used; and that the options noted in the memo were approved by the Chancellor for immediate implementation to help move students through the pipeline.

D. FCAT/CPT Pilot Project Extension
David Kaiser informed the Committee that the State extended this program through the 2009-2010 academic year and it will now be available to all 28 Florida Colleges.

VI. Reports

A. Testing Directors

Sofia Villalobos Tavarez reported on the following:

New CLAS requirements:
The MDC CAT-CLAST sites are scheduling the CAT-CLAST through 6/30/2009 and helping students review their transcripts for CLAST alternatives earned through the recently expanded course list.

CPT 3 retakes and NO more PASS:
Students will be able to take the CPT a total of 4 times when the PASS will no longer be available.

New i3 ACCUPLACER Migration:
The Testing Departments plan on completing our migration on Monday, June 29th. There are a few issues with the new system and we are addressing them with the ACCUPLACER's technical support group folks.

B. IR Activities

David Kaiser reported on the following (submitted by Margaret Mannchen):

Institutional Research Activity for May-June 2009

Required State and Federal reporting completed:
- FTE Enrollment Plan (6 year)/COFTE
- Initiated programming of new SDB reporting requirements related to adult education, program length hours, EPI
- Data for Financial Aid Renewal Eligibility Application for Participation in State Programs

Other projects:
- Data support for Wolfson/North Campus Title V grant application
- Data support for media request - Sun Sentinel
- Tracking of ABE/GED and ESOL cohorts into postsecondary courses
- ACCESS Disabled Students retention report
- Vocational placement data for League for Innovation/Walmart Brighter Futures Grant
- QEP analyses (in progress)
C. Enrollment Management
none

D. Area Report for CASSC Research and Testing Representatives
none

Next Meeting:
There will be no R&T meeting July 29, 2009, unless Research Proposals need to be reviewed by the committee. There will be no R&T meeting in August. The next meeting of the Research & Testing Committee will be September 30, 2009. July 29, 2009 at 2:00pm in Bonnie McCabe Hall, Wolfson Campus Room 5620.

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