I. **Review of 05/19/2014 Minutes**

**Strategic Planning Presentation (2:15PM)**
Dr. Archieval Cubarrubia, Director of Planning and Policy

II. **Standing Item(s)**

A. Research
B. [Placement Criteria document 2015-2016](#)
   - Overview of the Placement Criteria Review Process
C. [Testing Fees](#) effective July 1, 2015
   - Overview of the Testing Fees Review Process

III. **New Business**

A. Research Requests

   --- Follow-up --- Since May 19 meeting via email

2014-04-01_AlvarezSTEM [Approved 6/6/2014 via email]

Proposal title: **Project Evaluation of the STEM-Transition, Retention, Advisement, Completion (TRAC) Grant**
Primary Researcher: Alejandro R. Alvarez / Miami Dade College (2014-04-01)

Alex Alvarez, STEM Director at North, as part of a grant would like to survey around 2000 STEM-TRAC participants and also do event surveys, focus groups, and interviews with key stakeholders. Heather Belmont, Dean of Science, supports this project.

As was decided at the 5/19/2014 CASSC R&T meeting, I inquired whether the research project was going to use "aggregate" or "individual" student information (such as GPA). Alex is out of town but Science Dean Heather Belmont responded that they will only be using aggregate data, not individual student data.

2013-12-05_Johnson [Approved 7/25/2014 via email]

Proposal title: **Concurrent Enrollment of Community College English Language Learners**
Primary Researcher: Stephen Johnson / Florida Atlantic University (2013-12-05)

MDC Professor Stephen Johnson would like to de-identified transcript data and course grade information of 500 students from 2010-2012 academic year to learn about English Language Learner students’ performance in traditional ESL courses, concurrent enrollment ESL courses, and general education courses at MDC. (Videos describing the concepts).

2014-05-23_Serfaty [Approved 8/9/2014 via email]

Proposal title: **Use of Animations to Teach Mathematical Concepts**
Primary Researcher: Alicia Serfaty de Markus / MDC (2014-05-23)

MDC Professor Alicia Serfaty would like to survey student in class on their perceptions of solving math problems before and after seeing animation videos describing the concepts.
Proposal title: **Influencia de la Aculturación en la Salud Física y Mental de un grupo de estudiantes inmigrantes de Miami Dade College en el año 2014.** *(Influence of Acculturation on the physical and mental health of a group of immigrant students from Miami Dade College in 2014).*  

Rosmeri González-Meng would like to survey 150 immigrant students to understand the acculturation process and the effects on the physical and mental health of the students. She has secured the support of four instructors, and the MDC director of Continuing Education at Homestead.

Proposal title: **Sample of Graduating Students’ Views Regarding Liberal Requirements as part of their targeted programs**  
Primary Researcher: **Isabel del Pino-Allen / MDC** *(2014-08-02)*

MDC Professor Isabel del Pino-Allen would like to survey 20 MDC students regarding Learning Outcomes.

Proposal title: **Student Assessment of Learning Gains (SALG)**  
Primary Researcher: **Collen Ahern-Hettich & Mike Matthews / MDC** *(2014-07-30)*

Director Collen Ahern-Hettich and Mike Matthews of the MDC Earth Ethics Institute would like to survey 225 students using the “Student Assessment of Learning Gains” developed at Santa Clara University. They have secured broad faculty participation.

Proposal title: **Understanding the Implementation of Developmental Education Reform in Florida State Colleges**  
Primary Researcher: **Shouping Hu / Florida State University** *(2014-07-10)*

Dr. Shouping Hu from FSU would like to interview and have focus groups with 5-15 students and 9-24 administrators, faculty and advisors regarding understanding institutional implementation of student advising and remediation options in response to developmental education requirements, and understanding student choice of remediation options. Joaquin Martinez the AP of SAI has agreed to provide support with identifying individuals to participate in the study.

--- DISCUSSION ---

**2014-06-30_RTrevino**

Rafael Treviño, professor at North, would like to survey 1000 sign language interpreters.

**2014-07-28_Schlepko**

Dr. Schlepko, from the MDC Wellness Clinic, would like to survey graduates of the drug rehab program, that are currently serving as counselor/case-managers for Miami Rescue Mission.

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Proposal title: **MDC REVEST PROGRAM CASE STUDY**  
Primary Researcher: **Alejandro Angee, Ph.D. / MDC** *(2014-08-13)*

MDC Professor Dr. Alejandro Angee would like to interview five administrators at the college about the REVEST Program.

Proposal title: **Project ALIVE (Active LiVing Everyday) and ALIVE-Mini**  
Primary Researcher: **Noemi Zaharia / MDC** *(2014-06-24)*

Noemi Zaharia, North Campus Fitness center manager, would to check the Body Mass Index, and eating habits of 60+ children participating in healthy foods program as part of a grant they are apply for.
Proposal title: **Survey to assess cheating behavior and reasons in on-line courses**  
Primary Researcher: **Eugene Perez Pons / FIU**  
(2014-09-08)

Professor Pons, a Wolfson Faculty member, would like to survey 200 students in the classroom, about cheating.

Proposal title: **Healthy Minds Study: Community Colleges**  
Primary Researcher: **Daniel Eisenburg, Ph.D. / MDC**  
(2014-07-17)

Single Stop in conjunction with Dr. Eisenburg from the University of Michigan would like to survey 30,000 students from MDC using the Healthy Minds survey instrument.

B. Meeting Schedule for 2014-2015 and Committee Responsibilities  
C. Computer Competency Test Exemption.  
   Alternative Ways of Earning Credit through Examinations

IV. Information Item(s)

A. Chemistry Placement Test  
B. Pert Update  
C. Revision to Rule 6A-10.02412 Foreign Language Competence and Equivalence  
D. NCTA Test Center Certification Recognition for MDC Test Centers (August 22, 2014)  
   (Hialeah, Homestead, InterAmerican, Kendall, Medical, North, West, and Wolfson)  
E. Enrolled Student Survey 2014-1 (Monday, October 13, 2014 – Monday, November 17, 2014)  
F. QEP Readiness Assessments for Employees and Students

V. Reports

A. Testing Directors  
B. Area Report for R&T Representatives:  
   Deans, Developmental Education, EAP, English, Mathematics, Registrars, Advisement and Career Services,  
   Career and Technical Education, Adult Education and CASSC Representative

**Next Meeting:**  
The next meeting is on Monday, September 29, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. in building 5000 (Bonnie McCabe Hall),  
Wolfson Campus Room 5620.

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