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TO: President Cabinet

SUBJECT: Integrated Planning and Its Relationship to Research

At their meeting of May 13, 2011, the Research Committee revisited the discussion of integrated planning and its relationship to research. The topic of the changing role of the Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) and its relationship to research was originally discussed at the April 29 Research Committee meeting. The membership was asked to provide its inputs as to the next steps for the Research Committee. The following items were included in this discussion:

1. A review of the proposed Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee (PIE) membership and role
2. The campus-wide role of research in decision-making
3. The Research Committee's many contributions to the development of Mesa's culture of evidence
4. The role of the Office of Instructional Services, Resource Development and Research
5. The continuation of the Research Committee as a participatory governance entity
6. A suggestion was made to take this discussion to the Academic Senate

At the May 13, 2011 meeting, after review and additional discussion, the Research Committee voted to dissolve itself with its functions to be folded into the new Planning and Institutional Effectiveness Committee (PIE). The following recommendations are forwarded to the President's Cabinet for action:

1. The current Research Committee membership be considered for other committees including but not limited to the Program Review Committee, the PIE as well as any of its subcommittees; the Basic Skills Committee, etc.
2. The Research Planning Agenda continue to be updated and reviewed on an annual basis
3. There be continued oversight of the research function
4. There be continued training offered on the use of research
5. The Research Ethics Review Board (RERB) continue to function and report directly to the President's Cabinet
6. There be a continued membership from Mesa on the district-wide Research Committee
7. The Mesa College Institutional Research website continue to be updated and maintained

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