PRESENT:       Xi Zhang, Peter White, Heidi Bunkowske, Denise Whisenhunt, David Fierro.

REPORT FROM XI ZHANG:

• Xi provided an update on the CalPASS Smart Tool presentation she made to Instructional Council. There was a request to train additional individuals on Smart Tool, but since Smart Tool provides the training itself, once someone has registered, Xi will refer individuals who want to be trained to the appropriate web site.

• Apparently a flyer on campus (and at Mesa and Miramar, too) advertised for subjects for an intrusive medical study conducted by someone at UCSD, without going through our IRB or UCSD’s IRB as far as anyone could tell. It was confirmed that we don’t screen for such things when it comes to posting flyers on the campus.

• Xi reminded us that she sent out the 2010-11 Scorecard (http://research.sdccd.edu/Include/Research%20Reports/Scorecards/City_Scorecard_201011.pdf)

• The annual report on the Tutoring Center is being developed, following the format of last year’s (which was the first). Henceforth it will be done as a districtwide research project, and will be published in fall 2012.

• The Factbook will be updated in summer 2012. The college will receive the report in fall 2012.

• The Basic Skills Report will be developed and completed in summer 2012 and ready for the college in fall 2012.

• Xi reviewed the list of research requests, which the committee discussed with her.

• Xi reported that she will be involved in a study of the use of in-class clickers in the fall, linked to a company’s donation of clickers to the college with the proviso that their use be tracked and student outcomes identified.