SAC:

Following up on the discussion from last weeks audio conference I suggest we forward to President Gamble the following recommendation:

The topic of using a single placement test at UA has been considered for several years. More recently the Community Campus Directors sent a memo to President Gamble asking him to consider such a move in order to better serve students. In addition the Statewide Academic Council and the President's Cabinet discussed this concept in April. Subsequent follow-up has revealed that all UA campuses now use Accuplacer as their primary placement test.

To provide a more uniform process for placement testing for UA students and to provide a reduction in costs to our testing services offices, we support a system wide agreement with the CollegeBoard to use the Accuplacer test as the UA system placement test. We further recommend any contract with the CollegeBoard be up to to three years - at which time the university would review and determine if Accuplacer should remain the system placement test.

If there are no objections I will forward the recommendation and contract to the President at the close of business Friday, May 20, 2011.

Thank you,

Saichi