Research Computing Advisory Committee

Minutes Feb 4, 2019 (taken by Erik Deumens)

Present: Paul Avery, Peter Barnes, Ana Conesa, Erik Deumens, Richard Hennig, Bill Hogan, Gail Keenan, Damon Lamb, Jeff Martens, Lauren McIntyre, Rafa Munoz-Carpena, Alberto Riva, Plato Smith, Jack Stenner, Chris Vulpe

Discussion

- UF is applying for NSF 19-534 Advanced Computing Systems & Services:
 Adapting to the Rapid Evolution of Science and Engineering Research. The idea is to propose to NSF that UF will runs a second HiPerGator for the S&E community introducing UF's business model as a novel alternative to XSEDE and commercial cloud allocations being used now.
- On Feb 19, RCAC will meet with Information Security Advisory Committee to discuss the feedback and changes we sent on the various policies under revision. The meeting will be zoom enabled.
- The OneIT plan is being executed. The first phase involves conversations with the faculty and researchers and staff in the affected units.
 - Please spread the word to invite Erik for a discussion.
 - Many technical tasks are being carried out by IT staff in UFIT and in Shands IT.
 - The major task will be determining what data can move to UFIT hosted storage.
- Researchers have suffered unacceptably long delays to get service for their research needs. The change with OneIT will address that by putting prioritization with the unit leadership, not with IT.
- Some IT services need improvement
 - o myIRB is very slow, the user interface is poorly done and needs updates
 - UFIRST is atrocious

Organization

Next meeting will be on Monday March 4, 2019 from 1:30 – 2:30 pm. The meeting will be in NPB 2165 and will be Zoom enabled for virtual attendance.