

**SUMMARY FOR RESEARCH PORTFOLIO MEETING**

**DATE: November 25, 2013**

**TIME: 10:00 - 11:00 a.m.**

**LOCATION: Eccles Broadcast Center, Dumke Conference Room**

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Abby Adamczyk	Martin Berzins	Thomas Cheatham	Steve Corbató
Carleton DeTar	Cynthia Furse	Korbus Van der Merwe	

**COMMITTEE SUPPORT:** Julia Harrison, Aspen Perry, Josh Wall

**UNABLE TO ATTEND:**

Frank Brown	Brad Cairns	Julio Facelli	George Hepner
Sean Lawson	Valerio Pascucci	Philip Smith	Catherine Soehner
Mike Strong	Eric Denna		

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Christopher Gregg — Assistant Professor, Department of Human Genetics

**AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED:**

- Center for High Performance Computer (CHPC) and Futures Committee Updates

**CHPC and Future Committees Update**

The Futures Committee is currently working on a new vision for the Center for High Performance Computing (CHPC) by continuing to gather data and to assess emerging faculty requirements. The co-chairs (Cheatham and Corbató) are working on a report of their findings. CHPC was one of six campus HPC centers awarded funding by the National Science Foundation through the national [Condo of Condos](#) initiative led by Clemson. Other core participants include Harvard, Wisconsin, USC, and Hawaii. Although this increased external funding speaks favorably for CHPC, additional funding sources are necessary to offset further potential budget cuts. This committee reviewed Cindy Furse's slides about the state of federal research and development funding and the basis for campus research overhead allocation to gain a better understanding of how outside events have affected the Facilities and Administration budget. Additionally, the National Institutes of Health are coming off a period of large growth, and this falloff could result in another round of cuts or, at the minimum, lower proposal success rates. CHPC will need to be prepared to justify its funding and to identify the serious effect of another budget cut.

**Agenda Items Held for December Meeting**

- NSF Cloud Solicitation
- Data Center Allocation
- Genomics Update

Action summary			
Action	Topic	Person/Group	Next step
Discussed	CHPC and Future Committee Updates	Steve Corbató & Committee	The committee reviewed and discussed budget trends for a better understanding of dealing with future budget cuts and the importance of obtaining outside funding.