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
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<td>Discussed</td>
<td>CHPC and Future Committee Updates</td>
<td>Steve Corbató &amp; Committee</td>
<td>The committee reviewed and discussed budget trends for a better understanding of dealing with future budget cuts and the importance of obtaining outside funding.</td>
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