## **Research Computing Advisory Committee**

Minutes January 23, 2023 (taken by Erik Deumens)

**Present:** Chris Barnes, Jiang Bian, Nikolay Bliznyuk, Tajuana Chisholm, Gogce Crynen, Susmita Datta, Erik Deumens, Richard Hennig, Bill Hogan, Gail Keenan, Guillaume Labilloy, Damon Lamb, Rafa Munoz-Carpena, Alberto Riva, Massoud Rouhizadeh, Plato Smith, Bruce Vogel

## **Updates**

- HITRUST certification of HiPerGator
  - Frazier & Deeter started the validated assessment this week, collecting evidence of all controls.
  - For projects that use PHI, a process will be published on the website during February that spells out what needs to be done to use PHI on HiPerGator.
    - The draft is shared with the group for feedback.
- UFIT Research Computing staff changes
  - RC has hired two support engineers, total 0.8 FTE + 0.5 FTE; a search for a third open position has been reposted.
  - Interview of a candidate for the IT manager position of the DevOps team takes place this week, Feb 23-24.
  - Six positions for faculty support staff are posted now. They will be located across campus, close to faculty. One will likely be in Wertheim-UF-Scripps in Jupiter.

## **Discussion**

- The document describing the process for using HiPerGator for PHI projects was sent to the committee in advance and reviewed during the meeting. Several additions were made to improve the document and the process.
  - It was pointed out that the submission of the IRB was not explicit in the text.
     That was added.
  - The participants and their training requirements are already recorded in the IRB; including it and referencing it will avoid duplication of information.
  - A core can submit a request for approval based on their authorization to process data from other projects with IRB approval. This option was added to the process.
- Dr. Rouhizadeh commented that in visiting another institution as guest speaker, he
  found out that his hosts were very impressed with UF taking on the task of approving
  a large resource like HiPerGator for research work with PHI and they expressed that
  they considered this very valuable.

Next meeting will be on March 20, 2023 from 2:00 – 2:30 pm. The meeting will be Zoom only.