Research Computing Advisory Committee (RCAC)
Minutes May 16, 2011 (taken by Erik Deumens)

Present: Paul Avery, Mike Conlon, Erik Deumens, Rob Ferl, Susan Sinnott

Implementation plan

Version 3 of the plan has added a first draft for a list of research activities as suggested by Sanjay. There was discussion as to the scope of the list, some like Mike and Susan are thinking of a list of high level activities, e.g. clinical research. Susan pointed out that this then immediately leads to the danger of leaving someone off and alienating them. Others, like Erik, think of the list as a lower level of ingredient activities. It was agreed that a set of examples of faculty who use the low-level activities will be required here. Susan suggests organizing the information in a table with the rows listing low-level tasks and columns listing fields of research. The boxes then provide examples. It must be made clear that even the table is an example, not a comprehensive catalog.

Then strategic action items 1 and 2 are discussed in some detail. All changes and additions will be incorporated in the next version of the document.

Committee members will continue to provide feedback by email to Erik or by uploading changes to the SharePoint site.

Next meeting will be May 30 at 9:30 am.