

Research Computing Advisory Committee

Minutes Oct 20, 2025 (taken by Erik Deumens)

Present: Chris Barnes, Gogce Crynen, Susmita Datta, Erik Deumens, Richard Hennig, Gail Keenan, Damon Lamb, Rafa Munoz-Carpena, Massoud Rouhizadeh

Updates

- HiPerGator 4th Generation refresh update

- The celebration event was a great success, with a lot of visibility to leadership in UF, Florida, and various partners, like NVIDIA, Lenovo, DDN, etc.
- A group of students from the Gator Motor Sport and bridges teams and others were present to talk about what they did and how their work relies on HiPerGator.
- People were able to get a short tour, which was a highlight for many visitors.

- Searches

- We hired three new Regulated Research Computing Facilitators: Danielle Alvarez, David Wassman, and Peter Darveau.
- We are now searching for three RSEs. We were searching since July for one to add to the team, but in October two RSEs resigned, one for family relocation reasons and the other was hired away by Meta, and we now need to replace them.
- We have completed the hiring of three regulated research support engineers: Danielle Alvarez, David Wassman, and Peter Darveau. One started a week ago, another starts this Friday, and the third starts in December.
- We are screening and interviewing applicants for a research support engineer at Scripps.

Discussion

- We are finalizing the details and timeline of the plan to migrate data from old blue to new blue.

Next meeting will be on Dec 1, 2025 from 2:00 – 2:30 pm. The meeting will be Zoom only.