IT Governance Program – Research & Innovative Technologies Committee

Meeting Minutes

March 25, 2019
10:00a.m.-11:30a.m.
JK Williams Building Conference Room 212

Attendance:

	RITC Members		RITC Members		Ex-Officio Members
X	Dr. Narasimha Annapareddy		Dr. Hye-Chung Kum	X	Dee Childs
X	Dr. Michael Bishop		Sean Michaelson	X	Dr. Mark Barteau
X	Dr. Susan Bloomfield (Chair)	X	Dr. Honggao Liu		
X	Aaron Brender (Parliamentarian)	X	Dr. Ramalingam Saravanan		
	Dr. Pierce Cantrell	X	Paula Sullenger		
X	Cheryl Cato	X	Chris Seabury		
	Dr. Michael Hall				

	ITG Program Support	RITC Guests
X	Sharon Mainka	
X	Missy Mouton	

Minutes: Scheduled Business

Item 1: **Welcome and Introductions**
Description: *General welcome and an opportunity for announcements or items of interest relevant to the RITC.*

- Dr. Bloomfield welcomes the group and discussed importance of the committee moving forward with the task force.

Item 2: **Long-term Research Storage Task Force**
Description: *Discussion of proposed charter; additionally, consideration of essential expertise needed on task force.*

- Dr. Bloomfield distributed a revised version of the Charter for University-Wide Research Data, Storage Task Force.

- Some minor revisions were made to the charter verbiage.
- Discussion about if the data is restrictive or not and considerations that are related to this type of data
- Considerations for sharing data with other institutions, especially considering projects that are being worked on collaboratively with researchers outside of this University.
    o These revisions will be included in the version that is sent to the proposed members.
- The committee compiled a list of potential task force members that ensured that research areas across the University were represented.
- It is important to include members of this committee on the task force. Recommended members:
    o Chris Seabury
    o Dr. Hye-Chung Kum
- Ideally, the committee will meet for the first time in May and can report out in October.
- Dr. Bloomfield will compose a letter to invite potential members to the task force and will work with Sharon to get the letter distributed.

Item 3:   **Review of Committee Objective 2**
Description: *Discussion on how to move forward on RITC committee objective 2*

- Discussion led by Dr. Chris Seabury
- Objectives 1 & 2 or not exclusive of each other and cannot be separated out
- CPI survey "What do we need to be a premier Research University"
    o feedback was all over the place
    o a couple of recurrent themes about what was needed
        ▪ data storage
        ▪ more support personnel
    o We are very distributed. Every research area has different needs.
    o The business model should be to incentivize people to move Significant IT Equipment to the West Campus Data Center.
    o Data exchange and storage is a good first step
    o Commitment to affordability of long-term storage
    o Enhanced data sharing is a benefit of being in the West Campus Data Center
- A key part of a successful business plan is to enhance the services that incentivize faculty
- As the budget model for IDC changes, the needs will change
- We don't want data to be out of compliance because storage can't be paid for
- A basic economic model should be that the data storage should not be free so that there is some incentive/ownership for the owners to consider what they need
- What the committee is doing will currently address both of these issues.
- In the next meeting, the committee will work to compose a statement about the need to have central resources supported by University funding.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:30 am

Next Meeting: April 15, 2019