RTAG Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: 1/18/2017 1:00-2:00pm
Meeting Location: Room 334 Bascom

In attendance: Jan Greenberg, Nicholas Tincher, Lee Konrad, Jan Cheetham, Miron Livny, Rafi Lazimy, David Page, Katrina Forest, Sridhara Dasu, Jee-Seon Kim, Rick Konopacki, Andy Arnold, and Marsha Mailick
Absent: Steve Ackerman, Nadine Connor, Scott Nolin, Mark Sweet, Paul Wilson, Jim Walker, Caprice Greenberg

Agenda Topic: Approval of Meeting Minutes for 12/20
- Minutes were approved

Agenda Topic: Research Expenditure Rankings
- Marsha Mailick presented a PowerPoint to the committee regarding Research Expenditure Rankings. UW-Madison has dropped to sixth. Other states are investing in higher education; Wisconsin is moving the opposite direction. We are losing ground and need to do something now.
- We need to identify the most creative solutions to grow our faculty and address resources and practices that are under our control.
- Research computing can be used to go in a different direction. We need to work together to make this happen.

Agenda Topic: Update from RTAG Executive Committee
- The Cybersecurity Policy working group has met. There is a total of 9 people in this group. There has been a lot of discussion on various components. The feedback that has been generated will be worked through with this group, then the conversation and set of recommendations will return to RTAG.
- ACI Discussion - Trying to better understand the different functions of ACI and where certain activities happen throughout. Nick will continue to update the group.
- IT Services / F&A / Direct Charges - RSP will provide guidance on how they operate and put this into documented form to have discussions. There was a suggestion about the creation of IT Bill of Rights and discussion of possibly tweaking existing processes and timelines.

Agenda Topic: Topics and ideas for the RTAG Community
- Nick would like everyone to think about ways technology may be a barrier to research. Send your thoughts to him.
- Rafi has asked Marsha for suggestions regarding IT Governance.