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Duke's Research Computing Advisory Council

I. Purpose

The purpose of the Duke University Research Computing Advisory Council (RCAC) is to support the research mission of the University by providing faculty governance and oversight of core infrastructure and staff for enhanced support of research computing. Toward that end it will:

- Advise the Vice Provost for Research and the Assistant Vice President, Information Technology (VPIT) on issues related to research computing;
- Advise on policies, procedures, and standards for research computing;
- Provide oversight of the operation of the Research Computing Centers (RCC), a subcommittee of RCAC forms the core of an individual RCC's faculty advisory board;
- Provide a channel to bring into the University's planning and evaluation processes the concerns and suggestions of Duke University faculty regarding research computing and ensure that the Duke Community is kept informed about research computing issues and initiatives;
- Review and report annually to the VPR, senior leadership, ITAC, and the Duke community on the status of research computing at Duke and progress towards goals and objectives.

II. Membership

Individual committee members will be chosen for their knowledge and understanding of contemporary and emerging research computing technology and demands; the strategic planning process; the university's mission for outstanding research; the broad spectrum of research computing needs and interests within the university community; and the need for effective stewardship of scarce resources. RCAC will include faculty members and staff, identified as follows:

- Faculty members and scientists nominated by the Vice Provost for Research;
- Information Technology staff members nominated by the VPIT

Expectations: RCAC is expected to meet at least twice per semester.

Current Members

Alvin R. Lebeck (chair)
Rachael Brady
Jeff Chase
Craig Henriquez
Kieran Healy
Timothy Lenoir
Francois Lutzoni
Uwe Ohler
Jane Richardson
Robert Wolpert
Jim Siedow (ex-officio)
Julian Lombardi (ex-officio)
John Pormann (ex-officio)
Molly Tamarkin (ex-officio)