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Present: Philip Tarrant (chair), Jonathan Walsh, Kristin Vanderbilt, Yang Xia, Jason Downing, Margaret O'Brien

Absent: James Conners, James Brunt

Note taker: Margaret

## Today's Agenda:

1. report from EB
2. vote on data center
3. agenda for annual IMC meeting: Sunday, Aug 30. at Estes Park.
4. Action items

### 1. report from EB

No meeting since this group last met. see other notes for independent communications regarding data center plans.

### 2. vote on data center

Vote was unanimous, positive.

Philip shared comments added with votes with the IM-rep list. See your email. Generally, these were along the lines of verbal comments during water cooler-style VTCs.

One site did not vote, but it is not clear why.

### 3. agenda for annual IMC meeting: Sunday, Aug 30. at Estes Park.

Draft added to [2015 meeting page](#) <sup>[2]</sup>

Morning must include:

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- one nisac position (Gastil's)
- 2 imexec positions (Jason, Kristin rotating off)
- chair? (Philip is appointing a new im-rep, Stevan Earl, and wonders if he should stop down as chair)
- imexec vacancy left by Chamblee

Morning should include:

- pitches from those who have proposed IM-related working groups during the rest of the week
- conference with Saran
- conference with Peter Groffman

Remaining time: Breakouts, with topics related to data center design.

#### - Topics:

- define services, core and add-on
- define process for science input
- committee interactions (imc, imexec, nisac, nimo-ops)
- management of technical infrastructure
- budget

#### - Parameters:

- One hour/session, report back in scrum format. don't even sit down.
- a product is assigned to each group
- time keeper assigned to each group
- people must commit to one working group. moving around would require rehashing, and slow us down

#### Other:

Jason brought a suggestion from Gastil: can we have a breakout focused on the guidelines for site IM systems? we have two documents which are out of date.

Discussion: aspects of adding this to the one-day meeting.

1. important because website constraints are changing and affecting sites' work (e.g., responding to new mobile platforms, enforced by the institution, or de facto because website is contracted out)
2. have tried to hold VTCs on this topic, keep getting postponed. in-person would be more effective.
3. NSF doesn't use these guidelines during review. They are for us, to maintain consistent look and feel.
3. may not have time, given the data center work to be accomplished.

#### 4. Action items

1. start a list of specific questions for Saran (Philip)
2. Add a page to the IM website with ASM IM-related working groups (Margaret)
3. contact Peter G about his availability to discuss his ideas for what could this org do that we have not done successfully in the past (Margaret)
4. website guidelines - reactivate this working group independent of the annual mgt (Jason)

#### Meeting Notes <sup>[3]</sup>

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