

SURA[®] INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE
HAMILTON CROWNE PLAZA
MEETING ROOM: FARRAGUT SQUARE
TUESDAY, APRIL 7, 2009; 1:00PM – 5:10PM

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8:30am Registration opens
10:30 Board Plenary Session I
Noon Luncheon

1:00pm SURA IT Committee Meeting Convenes – Agenda Review and Focus – Richard Newman
1:10 SURA IT Program Directions – IT Steering Group Overview – Richard Newman
Richard Newman is the Associate Vice President for Information Technology and Professor of Computer Science at Florida Institute of Technology. Dr. Newman will be filling in for David Lambert, Chair of SURA IT Committee and will lead an open discussion on the efforts of the SURA IT Steering Group to develop a strategy for creating sustainable SURA IT programs that leverage evolving distributed and cloud computing concepts.

Disaster Recovery / Business Continuity Case Studies

1:30 FSU's Remote Disaster Recovery Services – Carl Baker (remote presentation)
Carl Baker is the Director of IT Emergency Preparedness at Florida State University. Carl will describe the remote disaster recovery and business continuity services that FSU has implemented utilizing NLR and FLR transport services.

2:00 The NYSERNet Data Center, Remote DR Services – Tim Lance (remote presentation)
Tim Lance is the President and Chairman of NYSERNet, the New York State Education and Research Network. NYSERNet has implemented a shared collocation model in their Syracuse, NY POP that is being used by several New York universities to house remote DR/BC equipment. NYSERNet is exploring models for shared DR/BC services among its members.

2:30 Disaster Recovery / Business Continuity Q&A with Carl Baker and Tim Lance

3:00 Break

3:10 Case Study – NC State Virtual Computing Lab Project – Sam Averitt
Sam Averitt is Vice Provost for Information technology at NC State University. He heads the Information Technology Division (ITD) and is leading the NC State Virtual Computing Lab (VCL) initiative. The VCL project has been developed to efficiently use hardware investments and remote access to satisfy advanced compute needs students, faculty, and researchers.

4:00 SURAgrid Update and Overview – Gary Crane
Gary Crane is SURA's Director of IT Initiatives. Gary will provide an update on the SURAgrid Program and its focus on developing a community of individuals supporting the use of distributed computing services in support of research.

4:20 SERON update and direction – Phil Halstead
Dr. J. Phil Halstead is Chief Executive Officer of Florida LambdaRail and Chair of SURA's SouthEast Regional Optical Network committee. Phil will provide an update on the recent activities of the SERON committee.

4:40 Economic Stimulus and Federal Funding Update – Sue Fratkin
Susan Fratkin is a public policy analyst concentrating on technology and telecommunications issues. She regularly interacts with Congressional and Federal Agency personnel and reports on governmental hearings, programs and publications, analyzing relevant legislation and regulations. Sue will provide her perspective on the impact of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act on academic high performance computing and networking.

5:10 Adjournment

5:30 Board Reception and Presentation of the SURA Distinguished Scientist Award
6:30 Meeting of the Standing Committee Chairs and Board Officers
