SCSC Meeting 2/23/2009

Membership

John Arthur, Sebastien Boutet, Tom Devereaux, Richard Dubois, Gregory Dubois-Felsman, Gunther Haller (chair-person), Aaron Jensen, Catherine LeCocq, Steffen Luitz, Stuart Marshall, Richard Mount*, Cho Ng, Sayed Rokni, Mike Soltis*, Clemens Wermelskirchen

*-Not in attendance Italics are action items

Agenda:

- Minutes
- Computer Security Council
- Brief Linac Ops Budget update
- Continuation towards our goal (see last minutes for the action items)
- Others if requested by members

Minute Taker: Teresa Downey

Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting were blessed and will be made public at https://confluence.slac.stanford.edu/display/scscpub/Past+Meetings?SortBy=date.

Computer Security Committee (CSC)

The updated list of CSC membership was shown on the screen. BSD names are still to be nominated. PS has no representative for now. Discussion about "Chair" of CSC occurred. Many people preferred Bob remain as Chair. However, there needs to be a mechanism to express dissatisfaction when needed though. It was proposed that there could be an Administrative Chair and a Technical Chair (Bob). It was finally decided that the CSC should continue in old format, with new membership, until the Chair was chosen.

Gunther, Steffen and Steve will meet to nominate someone as Chair of CSC.

Gunther will send the new CSC membership list to Teresa. She will update the CSC mailing list and invite everyone to the meetings.

LINAC Operations Budget

Steffen reported that this review went well. Sandy gave a presentation at the review. There were no questions.

The expectation is that over the next few years that 5 computing professionals in SCCS will be dedicated to LCLS – to provide scientific computing services. LCLS is paying half of the scientific budget and they

are not getting the benefit. Is there a Linac Ops response from this committee? We want to see what LCLS needs first.

We'll need to respond. We need to discuss the LCLS services coming from SCCS.

Areas

The spreadsheet was shown on the screen and they discussed the question marks on Tom Devereaux's three lines.

Tom said it was ok to move the data from column 1 to column 3.

Services

Steffen posted the SCCS Service Catalog excel sheet before the meeting. Our question to answer is "who needs what". It was agreed Column A should be dropped from the spreadsheet for this exercise. A column should be added so that each directorate could put a checkmark in the new column to denote this is a service wanted – if possible we should also state what level of service we need but this could be done later too.

Gunther will edit the SCCS Service Catalog file to remove Column A and add an extra column. There was no consensus as to how to get this new info into the file. Gunther and Stuart will meet next week to figure out how to get everyone's input. Everyone needs to respond a week before the next meeting so there is at least a draft to work from.

Other

There was a discussion of what other Labs we need to visit/work with to survey/understand their business models. Stuart said that LBL and Google were being approached. He asked for 2 people to help to get contact with 2 more labs. No one volunteered. It was decided that Richard will be asked to set up something with PNNL and Argonne. Since PNNL is already coming let's talk to them about having someone stay on an extra day so we can talk to them.

Stuart will prompt Richard to set up the PNNL meeting.

Richard must know someone at Argonne... Let's invite someone here or have a SLAC person go there.

Next Meeting

Gunther will find a time in late March or early April for the next meeting. 4:00-5:15pm Orange Room