SCSC meeting minutes 2011-04-25

Present: Jacek Becla, Amber Boehnlein, Travis Brooks, Rob Cameron, Arno Candel, Ashley Deacon, Richard Dubois, Thomas Eriksson, Tony Johnson, Imre Kabai, Stuart Marshall, Randy Melen, Amedeo Perazzo, Vineet Rawat.

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Minutes:

- Rob provided update on ITSC
    - Milestone: completed list of the IT services supported
        - SC part missing, Randy will provide it
        - ITSC has 1 month to rate items and identify needs and missing items
    - Actions:
        - Norm R. to report on revamped website
        - Don L. to enlist someone at Stanford to report an SLAs
    - New VPN server
        - client won't change
        - goes live next week?
        - Imre
            - clientless option via browser
            - safer (timeout, data wipe)
        - testing underway (Imre to check who's doing the testing)

- Arno provided update on seminar series
    - One Tuesday in each of the next 3 months (4pm in Kavli auditorium)
    - Publicity:
        - SLAC Today article, banner, Richard advertising in PPA, Henry in Stanford?, Randy asked Phil Reese to send to campus mailing lists
    - Conflict with Physics Colloquium @ Stanford
    - Thomas reports SC (majordomo) mailing list is up
        - subscription required (sci-comp@slac.stanford.edu)
    - Richard reports SLAC Today article announcing Amber is forthcoming, more general SC advertising will follow
    - Seminar will be recorder via EVO
        - communications doesn't like Kavli auditorium so we'll have to set it up ourselves
        - conversion to more accessible format should be possible later

- Richard provided update on the Jamboree
    - Richard away May 7-27
    - One rep. per directorate (+Travis, Jacek & Tony)
    - 2-3 focused meetings in the next two weeks to hammer things out
        - decide on sessions
        - select chairs
        - select speakers
        - develop draft agenda
        - choose format (panels, group breakout sessions)
    - need succinct definition of goals

- Imre provided update on FudForum
    - Working sessions have gone through options and achieved a good starting point
        - cleaner look and feel (working with Communications)
    - Starter set of forums
        - request to look around once the test instance is moved to production
        - info in test instance may not survive
    - Accessible from outside (anonymous read)
        - failed for Stuart recently (broken certificate issue?)
    - Login via Crowd
    - Forums have owners with some control
    - Stuart asks if this replaces hypernews
        - conceptually yes, practically, not yet
        - is conversion possible?
    - Topics?
        - SC to beta test
        - if things go smoothly, Communicatinos might take over for SLAC-wide use
        - need interest groups to provide good content
            - Science section
                - CosmoCoffee, KIPAC news section to feed?
                - Send "hot science" to Imre
                - Library tried (and failed?) to provide similar news section
        - syndication (in & out) is built in
    - Forum exists for discussion of improvements

- Amber asked for input on a request from BES
    - They want info about digital data management procedures and issues
        - e.g., longevity, access, storage, working with international collaborators, who sets policies?
    - Write-up due Wednesday (Apr. 27)
    - Request prompted by language in the America Competes Act
    - SSRL doesn't manage data beyond the experiment

- users own it once they leave
- Ashley and Amber to discuss further

Actions:

- Imre to check who's testing the new VPN server
- Richard to convene meetings for Jamboree planning
- All to test FudForum and provide feedback
- Ashley and Amber to discuss BES request