Agenda
Merrill Research Retreat
Lied Lodge, Nebraska City, NE
July 18-20, 2012
“Information systems as infrastructure for University research now and in the future”

Wednesday, July 18
6:00 pm Opening Reception, **Marcotte Room (downstairs)**
7:00 Dinner, Marcotte Room
Welcome by **Mabel Rice**, Director of the Merrill Advanced Studies Center at KU
Introduction of Participants

Thursday, July 19
7:30 am Breakfast, Timber Dining Room, followed by brief group photo shoot
8:30-8:45 Welcome and introduction of the keynote speaker (meeting in Stein C room, downstairs)
**Mabel Rice**
8:45-9:45 Keynote Address by **David Shulenburger**, Emeritus Vice President for Academic Affairs,
Association of Public and Land Grant Universities: “Information systems as infrastructure for
University research now and in the future”
9:45-10:15 Open Discussion – Moderator, **Mabel Rice**
10:15-10:30 Break
10:30-11:30 Panel: Research Administrators
**Rob Duncan**, Vice Chancellor for Research, University of Missouri: “Cloud Computing and
Gainful New Regional Collaborations”
**Prem Paul**, Vice Chancellor for Research and Economic Development, University of Nebraska:
“Developing Infrastructure for Informatics Research: Experiences and Challenges”
**Steve Warren**, Vice Chancellor for Research and Graduate Studies, University of Kansas:
“Skating to Where the Puck is Going to Be”
11:30-12:00 Open Discussion – Moderator, **Mary Lee Hummert**, Vice Provost for Faculty Development,
University of Kansas
12:00-1:00 Lunch, Timber Dining Room
1:00-1:45 Panel: Research Administrators
**Jeff Vitter**, Provost, University of Kansas: “Information as a Paradigm”
**Brian Foster**, Provost, University of Missouri: “Scholarly Communication in the Age of New
Media”
1:45-2:15 Open Discussion – Moderator, **Danny Anderson**, Dean, College of Liberal Arts & Sciences,
University of Kansas
2:15-3:15 Panel: Research Faculty
**Chi-Ren Shyu**, Director, Informatics Institute, University of Missouri: “Smart Infoware:
Providing University Research Stakeholders Soft Power to Connect Dots in the Information
Haystacks”
**David Swanson**, Director, Holland Computing Center, University of Nebraska: “Finding
Subatomic Particles and Nanoscopic Gold in Big Data”
Perry Alexander, Director, Information and Telecommunication Technology Center (ITTC), University of Kansas: “On the End of Paper-Based Communication”

3:15-3:30 Open Discussion – Moderator, John Colombo, Director, Life Span Institute, University of Kansas

3:30-3:45 Break

3:45-4:25 Panel: Research Administrators
   Paul Terranova, Vice Chancellor for Research, University of Kansas Medical Center: “Importance of information systems in clinical and translational research”
   Jim Guikema, Associate Vice President for Research, Associate Dean of the Graduate School, Kansas State University: “Research, data, and administration management in the animal health/one health era”

4:25-5:00 Open Discussion – Moderator, Mabel Rice

Friday, July 20

7:30 am Breakfast, Timber Dining Room

8:25 Opening Remarks—Mabel Rice (Stein C downstairs)

8:30-9:10 Panel: Research Administrators
   Jim Davis, Vice Provost for Information Technology, Iowa State University: “Trends in technology-enabled research and discovery – Part 1”
   Gary Allen, Vice President for Information Technology, University of Missouri: “Trends in technology-enabled research and discovery – Part 2”

9:10-9:40 Open Discussion – Moderator, John Colombo

9:40-10:00 Break

10:00-11:00 Panel: Research Faculty
   Sue Brown, University Distinguished Professor of Biology, Kansas State University: “Communicating Science in an International Arena”
   Russ Waitman, Director of Medical Informatics and Assistant Vice Chancellor, Enterprise Analytics, University of Kansas Medical Center: “Advancing Clinical and Transformational Research with Informatics at the University of Kansas Medical Center”
   Arun Somani, Anson Marston Distinguished Professor, Iowa State University: “Creating Infrastructure for Research Collaboration”

11:00-11:45 Final Discussion with Moderator Mabel Rice