

# 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 Shulenburg**, 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**