

**MEETING NOTES**  
**I2SL University Alliance Group (UAG) Conference Call**  
**February 20, 2015, 3PM EDT**

**Participants:**

- Kathy Ramirez-Aguilar, University of Colorado-Boulder
- Quentin Gilly, Harvard
- Caleigh Shoot, Univ. of Washington-Seattle
- John Ullman, John Hopkins
- Shane Stennes, Univ. of Minnesota
- Susan Vargas, Stanford
- Chuck Frost, UC-Berkeley
- Brenda Petrella, Dartmouth
- Sudhakar Reddy, Univ. of Michigan

**1. Monthly UAG calls**

- 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of each month at 4PM.
- This will make it simpler to keep UAG meetings and conversations going
- If there is a month where there is nothing new to discuss or a meeting falls on a holiday, then the meeting can be cancelled.
- Please let Kathy know if you would like a calendar invite

**2. Greening of Grants Meeting at DOE Better Buildings Summit**

- If any UAG members or participants would like to attend, please let Kathy know
- Here is short description of the meeting:
  - Title:** Greening Grants: minimizing energy and environmental impacts of federally-funded research (by invitation only)
  - Time:** Friday, May 29, 8:30am-12:30pm at DOE in Washington, D.C.
  - Meeting Description:** As follow-up to the 2014 DOE BB case competition on “Greening the Grant Process for Research Institutions”, this meeting will focus on ways to connect sustainability to federally supported research. This has the dual benefit of reducing the environmental footprint of research, and maximizing the effective use of federal dollars in research budgets. Organized by I2SL, with DOE BBA Labs Project Team support.
- Attendance so far will include:
  - NIH (several)
  - HHS (couple)
  - DOE
  - GSA
  - I2SL, Phil Wirdzek
  - S-Labs, Peter James
  - Likely OMB
  - UC Berkeley, Chuck Frost
  - CU-Boulder, Kathy Ramirez-Aguilar
  - Likely Dartmouth, Brenda Petrella
- Susan Vargas offered help through contacts at Stanford to see if NSF and OMB could attend.
- Susan also suggested that the event include breakout sessions

- An draft agenda has been created and will be sent to the group once ready

### 3. Discussion about upcoming September 2015 I2SL conference in San Diego

- Abstracts are due March 20<sup>th</sup>
- Suggestions of items to ask to include in conference:
  - UAG meeting
  - Cold Storage Track (suggestion by Susan Vargas) at more of a structural, institutional level such as
    - Centralizing Cold Storage like Univ. of Minnesota has been doing
    - Plans in place for disasters such as NY Univ is working on now after experiencing Hurricane Sandy
  - Space Management (suggestion by Kathy Ramirez-Aguilar)

### 4. University representation on the I2SL board

- The group did not have much time to discuss this topic
- Kathy will send out information which can be discussed at next UAG meeting

### 5. Next meeting- March 16 at 4PM Eastern time.