Spring Assembly – April 19, 2017

The CAS Core Facilities Committee met twice this semester. Additionally, an ad hoc core facility managers committee was formed by the ADR (Randy Larsen) and the CAS Core committee chair to discuss numerous issues identified by the CAS committee. The ad hoc committee met nearly every two weeks with the ADR and also met with Brent Smith of the Dean's office. Most of the discussions revolved around the lack of funding and the scope of research being completed in the various facilities. A number of key issues were addressed and or completed:

- 1) A document from each CAS Core was created that provided a cost analysis identifying current running cost, future enhancement cost and long term replacement cost for all CAS Core instrumentation. This document also address each cores fee structure to determine if current rates are justified.
- 2) Work on a fee waiver form for pilot projects, student projects and underfunded research.
- 3) Work on implementation of