

**University of Central Florida  
Research Council Meeting Minutes  
[For March 10, 2025]**

**Chair: Dr. Linda Walters; Vice-Chair: Dr. Steve Duranceau**

- 1) Call to Order [4:01 P.M.]
- 2) Attendees [Per Zoom Participation] The following persons were in virtual attendance.

Name [Voting Member]	College
Brisset, Julie	FSI
Coffee, Lane	COM
Delfyett, Peter	CREOL
Duranceau, Steven	CECS
French, Scot	CAH
Ge, Yue (Gurt)	CCIE
Gesquiere, Andre	NTC
Guldi, Melanie	CBA
Gurupur, Varadraj	SGHMI
Huang, Helen*Alternate*	CECS
Johnson, Emily	CAH
Jurca, Titel	COS
Luna, David	CBA
Mansey, Hansen	CECS
Miller, Anne	COS
Neal, 'Darlin	CAH
Norris, Sarah	LIB
Okumus, Fevzi	RCHM
Ram, Daniel	COM
Walters, Linda	COS
Weremchuk, George	CAH
Yalim, Asli	CHPS

Name [Ex officio]	
Harrington, Joe	VPR Designee

Name [Guest]	College
Bhardwaj, Pradeep	CBA
Colwell, Joshua	COS
Gajentan, Kara	CCIE
Kent-Walsh, Jennifer	CHPS
Khondaker, Saiful	NTC
Listengarten, Julia	CGS
Yee, Kevin	FCTL

- 3) Minutes from the February 14, 2025, Council meetings were approved.
- 4) Old Business.
  - a. By-Laws Resolution 2024-2025-5 Adjusting Constituency of UCF Research Council Membership was approved by Faculty Senate on February 13, 2025.
  - b. By-Laws Resolution 2024-2025-9 GRA Stipend Grant Funded Appointments was approved by Faculty Senate on February 13, 2025.
- 5) New Business.
  - a. Chair Walters provided an update on the Provost Search; Dr. Walters recommends for as many of the Research Council that can to watch the interviews that are scheduled via Zoom (the exact times and dates will be posted to faculty).
  - b. A presentation was provided by Kevin Yee, UCF FCTL that presented draft language for an "AI Initiatives for All" website that focused on using available AI tools in teaching and research to remain relevant and current. What are the tools Discussed 'what are tools for UCF?' and 'what is allowed?' topics. Existing UCF policies on data privacy and security continue to apply to artificial intelligence and emerging technology tools. Dr. Yee highlighted the Faculty

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Showcase, and requested for any researcher to send him their AI success story. The group discussed industry-specific AI. For example, one of the items discussed were pros and cons, such as co-Pilot is weakest of many AI tools but is deemed safe for usage. There were many areas about programming related to AI and research that are yet in place:

- i. SWOT analysis with OR
  - ii. Section of AI website giving ideas and best practices on "getting started" in AI research for non-CS faculty
  - iii. Requests (through Chair emails) to (self) report on AI publications by UCF faculty
  - iv. Workshops on "Getting started with Researching AI in YOUR discipline"
- 6) Other Business. None noted.
- 7) Adjournment at 4:52 p.m.
- 8) Next Meeting: Monday, March 31, 2025.