UCF Faculty Senate

Information Technology Committee

Minutes of **March 2, 2020** Business Administration I, room 230A

Melanie Guldi, chair, called the meeting to order at 2:05 pm. The roll was called orally.

In Attendance: Anya Andrews, Lee Dotson, Steffen Guenzel, Melanie Guldi (Senate Liaison), Joseph Harrington (Steering Liason), Athena Hoeppner, Viatchelslav Kokoouline, Matthew Nobles, JP Peters (ex officio).

Minutes: We did not reach quorum, so we did not vote to approve the minutes from our February 17, 2020 meeting.

Chair Announcements:

• The chair introduced invited guest Chris Vakhordjian from Information Security Office. He provided additional clarification regarding the planned phase-out of IMAP/POP due to Multi-factor authentication (MFA). He indicated that OAoth.net is a possible alternative.

Old Business

- Joseph Harrington indicated that he is drafting a resolution regarding Linux and should have this ready to circulate for our next meeting.
- The committee engaged in a further discussion of IMAP/POP deprecation and Chris indicated he would email additional information after our meeting. He indicated that the key issue is how these protocols (IMAP/POP) interact with third party apps, which makes them difficult to manage.
- The committee asked about open source email clients/apps for Linux users. The issue was raised that Microsoft is a proprietary system and if they change the protocols that there is no guarantee that the open source clients/apps will continue to work.
 - Chris provided his opinion that Microsoft wouldn't change their interface drastically, because it would affect end user experience (such as checking email via smart phone).
 - Chris indicated he would do some research to see what the best plug-in (e.g for Thunderbird)
 - JP suggested it would be good to publish a knowledge base if a plug-in that works (for Linux) is identified.
 - One committee member indicated the OWL plug-in for Thunderbird works
- Our discussion then turned to retiree email.
 - o The committee asked if one can forward @ucf email to @Knights
 - The committee noted that there is an information gap for retirees. The policies posted appear to be targeted for current students, not retirees. JP indicated that this could be addressed.
- We did not have time to discuss the mission of the committee.

New Business

• None

Other Business

• None

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 3:00 pm.