Information Technology Committee

Minutes of meeting of Tuesday, November 1, 2022, 2:00 p.m.
Location: Zoom

Present: Joseph Harrington (vice chair), Mehmet Altin, Taj Azarian, Lee Dotson, Hank Glaspie, Dexter Hadley, Matthew Hall, Pieter Kik, Matt Nobles (minutes), Avery Lane, Harry Paarsch, Bert Scott, Amy Sugar, Viatcheslav Kokoouline, Francisca Yonekura. Shengli Zou, Richard Zraick.

- Call to order at 2:10 pm after addressing Zoom difficulties

- Approval of the Minutes for October 18, 2022
    - Minutes approved

- Old Business
    - Process for approving software for common good:
        - Ongoing discussion on common good software consideration process. Defining "inclusive" definition of eligibility perhaps more difficult than identifying exceptions.
        - Suggestions:
            - Mailing list and/or website listing products under consideration.
            - Departmental security contact; also designated for IT contact?
            - Colleges also have IT contacts that could be leveraged

    - Workday:
        - Gerald Hector will be available for presentation on Workday in two weeks. URL for presentation in development:
            - https://knightvision.it.ucf.edu/workday-operations-current-work/
        - Huron, Accenture, and other identified features/fixes being aggregated and addressed by Workday team via ticket system.
        - Workday Dashboard for all UCF required training courses was suggested:
            - Could the dashboard list all courses and due dates, and control targeted e-mail reminders to users yet to complete them?

- Transcripts available in Workday learning module. Many courses are based in Canvas or elsewhere, however.
  - Workday resources:
    - https://knext.ucf.edu/faculty-workday-resources/#how-to

- System for public comment:
  - Similar to UCF Compliance portal. Need to offer sub-UCF level policy proposals for public comment.
  - Example offered involving graduate student transfers having course credits expire; programs change policy that affects other programs without the forum to share and consider impacts.
  - UCF IT (Scott Baron's team) could investigate back-end functionality and prototype new solutions.

- Strategic Plan:
  - Strategic Plan document:
    - https://www.ucf.edu/unleashing-potential/document/2022-2027-strategic-plan/
  - Strategic plan topics 5 and 7 (discovery/exploration and innovation/sustainability) highlighted as IT-centric.
  - How to find PIs needs for specialized support? For example, Linux distributions for specialized computing needs.

- Innovative Solutions to Current and Future Campus Problems
  - October IT transformation e-mail forwarded to committee.
  - Question from faculty about different tenants, prevents collaboration between faculty and students. Hearing about IT working on things. Status?
    - Email for life plans coming in December. Will take 6-7 months to implement. Accenture and Avenod (MS and Accenture partnership) provide the labor to do these. They are moving Data Center Orlando to Azure and CSB.

- New Business
  - Future reporting from any specific staff/working groups?
  - Linux working group/support team; IT staff for status of transformation (every other meeting for quick updates?).

- Meeting adjourned 2:57 pm