



Faculty Senate

Information Technology Committee

Minutes of meeting of Tuesday, October 10, 2023, 3:00 p.m.

Location: Zoom

- Call to order at 3:05 pm

- Approval of the Minutes for September 26, 2023 Meeting
 - Accepted

- Old Business
 - Artificial Intelligence Usage in Research
 - Review of ideas

- New Business
 - UCF's use of third party services and how it can cause official emails from non-UCF email addresses
 - Faculty get confused on what is real or what might be phishing
 - Matt Hall reported UCF uses around 1,200 different applications
 - Each with own configuration and limitations
 - Also allowing others to use ucf.edu addresses can cause other issues
 - UCF's use of Cisco Umbrella
 - It is a DNS filtering application that prevents users from going to known bad sites (from a security perspective)
 - Some sites blocked permanently
 - Some sites get blocked temporarily
 - Faculty expressed concerns about censorship
 - Library could not access urbandictionary.com when needed, for example
 - Also temporary blocks can prevent access to sites when very time-sensitive
 - Some users have found out they are blocked 15 minutes before a major online event

- Meeting adjourned 4:00 pm