



Information Technology Committee (ITC) Minutes

Meeting Date: December 16, 10 am-noon (regular meeting)

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Present: Heather O'Malley (Chair), Ravi Pendse (VP for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer), Vashni Santee (Executive Assistant to VP Pendse), Michael Atzmon (SACUA liaison), Magda Ivanova, Yun Jiang, Zhixin Jason Liu, Ann Marshall (FSO, Secretary), Maura Seale, Amir Mortazawi

1. Meeting called to order at 10:03 and minutes from November meeting were approved

2. CrowdStrike Falcon Discussion:

- ITC members expressed interest in hearing from experts and from various perspectives on CrowdStrike:
 - Internal UM experts from Info. Security and Assurance (Ravi Pendse will help identify)
 - Perhaps external expert/s (maybe from another institution, e.g. Brown or Stanford, or?)
 - Units across campus may deploy CrowdStrike differently in their unit
- Issues ITC members expressed interest in hearing about related to CrowdStrike:
 - How often does UM software work on the kernel level? What is the impacts of CrowdStrike as a kernel-based program?
 - How is CrowdStrike employed differently across campus, in various units and at the medical school [HITS](#) computers? How many faculty computers is it installed on? Have any units moved away from CrowdStrike? How much deployment of CrowdStrike (70%, 80%, etc.) is needed for it to be effective?
- If there is interest, VP Pendse offered to do a small group demo on his or a volunteer's computer of CrowdStrike
- VP Pendse's office will provide Heather with links about CrowdStrike Falcon
- Related discussion included these topics: In general, most IT vendors (e.g. Google, Microsoft, Adobe) have access to your data and it is the strict policies of the vendors and of UM that prevent access to faculty data; the controversy over Schlissel's emails being made available online; Patriot Act and subpoenas as actions that can cause release of data; UM library's opt-in policy for storing library checkout records; VP Pendse's office initiative of a boot camp to help area schools prevent data breaches; Example of Hewlett Packard's loss of several years of a firm's data; Dropbox's feature of offering version control as a type of backup.

3. Discussion on Zoom meeting and vote security

- Have voting security, etc. issues at University Senate, Senate Assembly, and other meetings been resolved? Has use of Simply Voting addressed these issues?
- Action Item: Invite Bob Jones to an ITC meeting to discuss accessibility in general and also accessibility for large zoom meetings in particular.



4. IT equity across campuses: VP Pendse's office does not have jurisdiction over Dearborn or Flint. What can ITC and/or SACUA do or recommend to promote and ensure IT equity and access?

5. What will ITC's deliverable be to SACUA at the end of the academic year?

Respectfully submitted by Ann Marshall, FSO, Secretary