

CoALS Technology Security Committee
April 21st, 2021
1:00 p.m.

Attendance:

Members			
Kerry Pickens - Chair (Manager Policy & Compliance)	Tim Ramsey (Associate Director of IT)	_ name (PI CoALS Research)	Keith Wicker (Information Security Officer)
Gene Curtiss (Manager Systems & Infrastructure)	Barry Stratta (Manager Software & Applications)	Sushant Patil (Security Analyst – Security & Risk)	_ name (Title)
Dale Norwood (Manager IT Project Management)	_ name (Title)	_ name (Title)	_ name (Title)

Also in Attendance:

Minutes

Item 1: Approval of Minutes (Not Applicable to this Meeting)

Description: Review and approval of minutes from previous meeting.

Item 2: Governance Committee Reports (5 mins)

Description: Note relevant information from available reports as applicable

- A. TAMU ITEC
 - a. Tim: No updates on ITEC that are security related
- B. AgriLife Computer Advisory Team
 - a. TLC prioritizes recommendations that come from all committees (including TSC) and send them to the Computer Advisory Team.
 - b. They give Go/No Go approvals for initiatives that need may need funding
 - c. Tim: No updates for TSC
- C. CoALS Council of Department Heads
- D. AgriLife Technology Leadership Council
- E. AIT Enterprise Technology Committee (ETC)
- F. AIT Technology Security Committee (ETC)
- G. AIT Technology Compliance Committee (TCC)

Item 3: Lessons Learned (10 mins)

Description: As applicable from recent activities

- TEAMS – N/A
- Microsoft 365 – N/A
- Communications
 - Meeting with Francesca (TAMU IT) afternoon of April 21st in regard to vulnerability scans. Still having issues with TAMU IT about what are/are not CoALS servers. Will attempt to resolve problem afternoon of April 21st
- First Call – N/A
- Projects / Other
 - Dale: No updates with projects. Will be focusing on training/communication programs
- Google Meetings
 - Kerry: there was a security alert from TAMU about a data transfer that was triggered by amount of data that was being transferred
 - Sushant started investigation, then transferred to Omar because it was in his area
 - Real issue: GA was uploading drone photographs during a google meeting. Wasn't a security issue as much as the GA's needing better supervision/HR issue

Item 4: New Business / Special Topics (15 mins)

Presenter: Kerry Pickens

Description: New proposals / Updates from Committee

- BFURD status – BCBP, HORT, SCSC, AGECE
 - Status – Working on rewriting tickets
 - Sushant and Kerry: working to make them clearer, will be reassigned in the next week
 - Schedule – ENTO is scheduled
 - Plans – will meet with dept heads
 - Kerry: meeting to go over the high points of BFURD compliance issues
- New Awareness and Training Standards – Role-Based Security Training
 - What is being required? Every member of IT Staff has to some security training relevant to their position.
Resources for training listed below
- Status – Training is available from DIR INFOSEC for Security Certifications
- TEEEX website offers free cybersecurity courses
<https://teex.org/program/cybersecurity/>
- LinkedIn training offers cybersecurity courses – LINUX Server hardening for example
- Plans – discuss with Tim/Supervisor if you plan to take one of these courses

Item 5: Action Item Summary

Description: List of action items, assignee, objective, due date.

- A. Kerry to meet with Dr Wand for BCBP – May 5th
- B. Supervisors to discuss training objectives with Tim
- C. Request faculty participation in meeting

Item 6: Close

Description: Adjourn meeting on time noting actions and conclusions of meeting.

Next meeting: 3rd Wednesday of May at 1 p.m. (May 19th, 2021)