

CoALS Technology Leadership Council
June 30th, 2022
10:00 a.m.

Attendance:

Members			
X Alan Kurk X (CIO/Director AIT)	Tim Ramsey Designated Chair (Assoc Dir AIT)	Keith Wicker (CISO)	X Barry Stratta X (Enterprise Technology Committee)
X Josh Wand X (Department Head)	Ryan McAllister (IT Manager II)	Sarah Hoving (IT Governance Coordinator)	Aaron Rodriguez (Manager Service Area 2)
Amy S. Carwile (Senior Administrative Coordinator I- Animal Science)	X Kurt Zhang X (Department of Nutrition, Texas A&M AgriLife)	Patricia Klein (Executive Associate Dean)	X Adrienne L. Brundage X
X Alex Guess X (Business Coordinator III)	Jake Bauman (Senior IT Professional I)	Robert G. Hardin (Assistant Professor)	X Kathrin A. Dunlap X (Assistant Professor & Associate Department Head- Animal Science)
Dusty Menzies (Instructional Assistant Professor)	X Asko Noormets X (Professor)	Timothy H. Murphy (Professor & Associate Department Head -ALEC)	Mitchell Morgan (IT Manager I)
Kelly T. Kyle (Professor)	Tony Miles		

Minutes

Item 1: Approval of Minutes

Description: Review and approval of minutes from April meeting as there was no May meeting.

- Minutes approved

Item 2: Announcements

Description: Note relevant information from available reports as applicable.

A. TAMU IT/ITAC – Aaron Rodriguez

a. N/A

Item 3: Classrooms & Teaching Labs

Description: General updates and discussion for departmental classrooms and teaching labs and classrooms across the college. - Jake Baumann

- CAF (Computer Access Fee) Funding Requests
 - ENTO
 - AGECE
- Motion to Approve or Reject
 - ENTO- approved
- Virtualizing classrooms and applications through OAL – Tim
 - Try to look for opportunities to virtualize application as often as we can
 - Means we don't have to have physical servers and physical devices- Gives back classrooms and space

Item 4: Conference Rooms

Description: Discussion on strategic planning for conference rooms for College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

- Matt Andrews – Conference room administrator
- Going through department by department and is handling it through a priority list
- Challenged by needing to get vendors involved to scope out the space and what they need to do. Challenge with some supply chain issues
- PHD and Grad students are also using these rooms- problem is the technology as aged

Item 5: Texas A&M University Risk Assessment

Description: Explanation of Risk Assessments going forward for College of Agriculture & Life Sciences

- Have completed the inventory for the risk assessment
- If you're teaching labs and classrooms, the reason why we don't assess the workstations is because all those systems are being managed by Agri life research, which is on 06. We only assess the systems that are on 02

(academic teaching mission of the college). No internal process through AgriLife Research

- The point about this here is, is that our university risk assessment should start looking a lot better in years gone by. They were assessing research servers and workstations and everything else and their standards for academic compliance does not integrate well with the standards for research compliance, right. .
- Were only assessing teaching labs and classroom computer systems, so this should do really well for the college.

Item 6: Technology Security & Compliance Committee Meeting Frequency

- Talking with the CISO, there isn't a significant amount of change month to month in security and compliance. The purpose of the committee is to brief the council on upcoming potential policy changes around compliance and security.
- Because it's it happens so infrequently; we've moved it to being **once every three months instead of every single month**. This should then give us better information as well as if we do need to make policy changes to be approved by the Leadership Council, then it'll come more concentrated

Item 7: Recommendations for Approval from CoALS Committees

Description: Governance committee meetings found in minutes posted on governance page <https://firstcallhelp.tamu.edu/knowledge-base/coals-it-governance/>

- Technology Security & Compliance Committee – Keith Wicker
 - N/A- did not meet during June
- Enterprise Technology Committee – Barry Stratta
 - The Enterprise Technology Committee is the incubator for new technology that we want to see in the college. They're the ones that work with vendors to get RPS and RFIS for technology.
 - Working with Barry Stratta to work with vendors to Get them to come in and actually stand-up demonstrations for software and tech (teaching software and teaching technology) and then showcase this right to you as faculty the newest greatest stuff.
 - Then we can say, hey, this may be good for the college and create some initiatives.
 - We would like to get more participation from individual departments for that committee. If you're in a department that has a high bar technology need, this is going to start being the committee that's going to start working with those vendors to start bringing in the proof of concepts and the demonstrations for this technology.
 - Have it be a center of excellence for teaching so that we can put all this technology in there and let vendors come in and market their technology to the college.

Item 8: Additional CoALS IT Council Member Motions

- N/A

Item 9: Action Items for CoALS IT Council Members

- Jake Baumann to follow up about ENTO CAF Funding Request
- Members for Enterprise Technology Committee

Item 10: Closing

Description: Adjourn meeting on time noting actions and conclusions of meeting.
Next meeting will be held on the 4th Thursday of July 2022 at 10 a.m.