

Ad Hoc Faculty Senate IT Committee Meeting

24 January 2024 9:00 AM, 1008B Center for Computation and Technology

Approved Minutes of the Meeting

Attendance:

Present: Param Singh (Chair), Gerry Knapp (Secretary), Kenneth Lopata, Juana Moreno, Samuel Robison, Larry Smolinsky, Craig Woolley (Ex-officio), Sumit Jain (Ex-officio). Absent: Thomas Douthat.

A regular meeting of the ad hoc FS IT committee convened at 9:02 am on Jan 24, 2024 in room 1008B of the Digital Media Center (Center for Computation and Technology) at the LSU campus, with the Chair and Secretary being present. There were no public comments. The minutes of the last meeting were adopted as revised by majority vote following a motion by Moreno.

The committee continued review of PS-127 (Compliance) and its standards. Robison moved to "approve PS-127 (Compliance) and all its standards", passed unanimously.

Lopata moved to "suspend the rules and move Grammarly above PS-129 in the agenda", passed unanimously.

Singh and Woolley provided background on ITS' request to FSEC for input on a planned purchase of enterprise licenses of Grammarly, and FSEC's response on the request. Woolley noted that they were receiving many individual and department requests to purchase Grammarly, which they are currently denying as the individual license for Grammarly does not provide intellectual property protections (which are provided in enterprise licenses). After discussion by the committee, Knapp moved to "recommend to FSEC to reconsider ITS' request to purchase enterprise licenses of Grammarly for faculty and staff, as it follows existing precedents for software acquisition", passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:34am, following a motion by Knapp, passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted, Gerry Knapp, Secretary