

**Minutes of the Computer Committee meeting held on 14th March 2022 at 13:00pm via Teams**

**Present:** Jason Randall, Ian Elliott, Allison Lewis, Phil Ward, Charlie Weiss, Catherine Reid, Jason Carroll, Larry Paulson, Saul Samuels Moselle (UCS), Bjarne Bergh (MCR)

Apologies: Aylmer Johnson, Qi Guo, David Ball

1. d o ] T J - v o plans to do that anyway but if we had a hardware fault and needed to swap something out we wouldn't be able to reimage it. JR expects the service to still be in place in October.

UIS are looking to replace the MCS with something called the University Managed Desktop (UMD) which is a service that is currently advertised on the UIS website but doesn't actually exist yet. It will be a managed Windows desktop using current tools to keep it up to date but is aimed at staff. This means that it wouldn't come with the full suite of software packages currently deployed by UIS but as a compromise they would look to provide the most popular packages. UIS are currently in discussion with University departments about this.

As our MCS usage is low but the numbers of machines is high we haven't been replacing older

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## **5. MCR Report**

BB also had feedback regarding the MCS but slightly less than the un