

**STATE UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OF FLORIDA
BOARD OF GOVERNORS
Innovation and Online Committee
March 19, 2015**

SUBJECT: The Unizin Consortium

PROPOSED COMMITTEE ACTION

For Discussion

AUTHORITY FOR BOARD OF GOVERNORS ACTION

Article IX, Section 7, Florida Constitution

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The University of Florida is one of the founding members of the Unizin Consortium. According to its web site:

The Unizin Consortium is universities coming together in a strategic way to exert greater control and influence over the digital learning landscape. It enables each institution, its faculty, and students to draw on an evolving set of tools to support digital learning for residential, flipped classroom, online courses/degrees, badged experiences for Alumni, or even MOOCs if desired. Unizin supports the differing missions and strategies of universities...

Unizin Services are cloud-based infrastructure based on open technology standards. It will evolve to support content systems that empower faculty with full control over their owned content – store it or share it – and an analytics service to enable research to improve learning. As a university-owned service for universities, all of this will evolve within the longstanding values of the Academy.

Provost Joe Glover, University of Florida, will explain the value of institutional membership in Unizin and present the opportunity for system membership.

Supporting Documentation Included: None

Facilitators/Presenters: Dr. Joe Glover, University of Florida