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Technology Advisory Group

Meeting of: Thursday, March 03, 2015 – 2:30 p.m.

District Office 107, Board Room

Meeting Minutes for March 03, 2015

Members Present: Archana Bhandari, Tammy Cottrell, Mike DeCarbo, Jesse Gonzalez, Kari Irwin, Jim Kennedy, Lee Krichmar, Alfonso Oropeza, Sergio Rodriguez, Jolene Shields, George Sweeney, Pat Weekes

Members Absent: Oscar Cortes, Ancie Dulalas, Dean Hopkins, Cherylee Kushida, Tamara Nabulsi, Narges Rabii-Rakin,

Guests: Stuart Davis

Discussion

- Call to Order
 - Meeting called to order at 2:35 p.m.
- Approval of Minutes
 - The minutes from the December 05, 2015 meeting were approved.
- Ellucian to the Cloud Presentation
 - Lee presented a PowerPoint to TAG regarding the process of moving our Ellucian (Colleague), WebAdvisor, and ImageNow servers to the cloud. This presentation was also shared with the Chancellor's Cabinet in December and to the SAC and SCC Management Teams in January.
 - Lee plans to bring this recommendation as a docket item to the Board sometime in the April timeframe for a July 1st contract start date.
 - We already have brought the Ellucian Portal up within the Ellucian cloud environment, and this project is going very well. We currently have an agreement for Application Managed Services (AMS) through Ellucian which includes: Colleague, Webadvisor, and Image Now. Lee would like to escalate these services to the cloud with an agreement for upgrading to Application Hosted Services (AHS).
 - This will be a private cloud for RSCCD. The hosting would be handled through Ellucian Services in a partnership with Amazon Web Services.
 - Lee described the pro's and con's and there was a robust conversation regarding the details of this project. Many questions were asked and there were no concerns voiced at TAG.
- Ellucian Portal Update
 - Lee distributed handouts that show the branding for all three Portal home pages.
 - The next step will be for the Taxonomy team to continue working on wording and content within these pages. There will also be discussion of how much to expand the portal pages.
 - Expected "Go Live" (soft launch) is mid-July.
- Minor Standard HP PC and Monitor Changes
 - Lee brought in and showed the group the new HP Elitedesk 800 G2 small form factor PC. Our former standard was the G1. We ordered one unit to test the base image and they have resolved all issues associated with the newer machine.

- Although the G1 is still available, Lee recommended that we move forward with the G2 since the price is the same and the processor on the new machine is faster and there is no cost difference.
- The new machines will be imaged with Windows 10 and the following primary browsers (IE, Firefox, and Chrome).
- The All-In-One machines are still the same, but will eventually follow suite.
- Lee will bring the information for the newer recommended replacement monitors to the April meeting.
- Microsoft Surface PC
 - Lee brought in a Surface Pro 4 to show to TAG members. This machine has all the features of a tablet in a full-blown PC.
 - Some TAG members already have the Surface Pro and they also agree that this is a valuable and flexible device to consider.
 - Cost is approximately \$1200 for a decent amount of memory and processor speed.

Information Distributed

- Ellucian to the Cloud PowerPoint slides
- Portal Home page branding samples

Next Meeting: April 14, 2016

2:30 to 4:00 p.m. in the Board Room (DIST-107)

Adjournment

Lee adjourned the meeting at 4:05 p.m.