CIO Forum

April 17, 2019

Welcome and introductions

Council Chair Chris Lamb, Office of Financial Management (OFM), opened the meeting. Chris mentioned David Sorrell would remain in his current positon as CIO for Department of Revenue and on the WaTech Advisory Council.

IT Reclassification

Karen Durant, Class & Compensation Section Chief, State HR, provided an overview of the process, what to expect, and what will be done. A handout on the following was provided and is available online:

- Work group Updates
- Paraprofessional Classification
- Post July 1, ITPS M&O
- IT Professional Structure Implementation Status
    - Evaluation Status
    - Moratorium/HRMS Updates
    - Rules & appeals Status

A question was raised regarding submitting a revised position description (PD) and timing of such. Karen asked that agencies hold off on resubmitting existing PDs that have little to no change. Evaluation teams need to focus time and attention on the evaluation of rewritten position descriptions.

If agencies need a PD returned in the short term, please contact Karen or her staff. They are diligently working on the PDs, but a backlog remains. UPDATE: All PDs submitted for April were evaluated by the teams on April 16 and April 17.

State HR's evaluation tool will allow them to report on agency decentralized allocation decisions post 7/1/2019 implementation. That information will be shared with the IT professional structure governance committee, OFM executive leadership and others to be determined to ensure transparency and accountability.

A question regarding how employees in the new classifications would be effected in the case of a reduction in force or layoff situation. A statewide workgroup (that included unions) developed an IT skills assessment form that employees can complete to document their IT work history and

experience. This form will be used in conjunction with other relevant information to make layoff decisions. The form will be available at the end of April.

More information is available on the OFM Site. If you have additional questions, please contact Karen Durant, Angie Hogensen or Tina Cooley.

Section 950 / Portfolio Management / Cloud Bill
Sue Langen, Deputy State CIO, reviewed some anticipated changes to Section 950 that were mainly around the financial coding agencies will be required to complete. OCIO will schedule information sharing sessions after the final IT Pool language is provided with the final budget.

A handout was provided on portfolio management and is available online. OCIO will host agency sessions to review the model in detail. OCIO is also working on a revised set of Standards for Applications and Projects and a new Standard on Infrastructure. Standards will be sent to the CIO community once complete.

While the Cloud Bill did not make it through this legislative session, the strategy work needs to begin. The House is looking for an agency-by-agency report on who is not currently in the SDC and why not. The SDC Report is currently under development and will provide aspects of the facility moving to a cloud like capability.

Enterprise Authentication / SAW / RFI
Question was asked if SAW, as it exists today, the best solution. Scott West, WaTech Deputy Director, stated an RFI is being developed to discover what solutions are available. The SAW Committee is working with the agencies to finalize the RFI. In response to a question about membership, the Technical and Business Advisory Group member information is available online. For additional information on the Committee, please contact WaTech Assistant Director for Computing Services Scott Barringer or Secure Gateways Services Supervisor Audrey Leckner.

State CIO Update
Jim Weaver, WaTech Director and State CIO, discussed how we can best leverage combined services from the CIO/agencies and use the Forum to be more informed on who is doing what and how can we help each other. He stated he wants look at like opportunities as a state and wants the state strategy to be that business decisions are made first, and then to look at the best solutions to get there. It is important to keep in mind what makes the most sense, what is the common theme, and what is the business need. He wants the CIOs to be part of that decision making process.

Recent WaTech organizational changes to better align some of the services were discussed. The detailed information was sent via email to the agency CIOs on April 4.

Closing
Chris reminded the CIOS to send agenda items to any member of the Advisory Council for consideration.

The May CIO Forum conflicts with IPMA and will either be rescheduled or canceled.