

CTS Advisory Council

April 3, 2013
1500 Jefferson Street
Olympia, Washington

Welcome/Introductions

Christy Ridout, Consolidated Technology Services (CTS), opened the meeting.

Attendees: Steve Young (DNR), Frank Westrum (DOH), Carl Harris (AGR), Rob St. John (CTS), Cathy Munson (LSC), Bob Lanouette (LNI), Debbie Stewart (ECY), Sue Langen (DSHS), Ron Seymour (DFI), and Doug Hoffer (DOC).

Guests: Michael Cockrill (OCIO), Agnes Kirk (CTS), Dan Mercer (CTS), and Bruce Shurtz (CTS).

CTS Security Decision Package

Agnes Kirk reviewed the IT Security Decision Package details. The Governor included 10.5 million in his budget priorities to enhance security services for state IT systems and services. Agnes discussed what the state is currently doing, what service enhancements would be included, and what new tools would be acquired as part of the package.

Rob St. John reiterated enhancing the IT security for the state is a high priority for the Governor. If funding were approved, agencies would receive funds allocated to them for the service.

Michael Cockrill said IT security is the highest priority of his office right now.

Steve Young suggested Michael Cockrill meet with all of the separately elected officials to discuss the funding package.

SDC Update

Rob St. John stated in the last year CTS has been focusing on standing up the State Data Center (SDC) and deciding who would be the first to migrate into the SDC. In addition, he has been coordinating with OFM and OCIO to stand up Data Hall 1 into production and Data Hall 2 is currently being marketed to offset the debt service.

In addition, the legislation that created the OCIO directed the office to create a SDC Business Plan. Recent conversations with the OCIO and CTS have proven there is a clear business case to vacate OB2 in its entirety, including the A La Cart room. The OCIO will start having conversations with OFM and the Legislature within the coming weeks.

Michael Cockrill said his office would be developing criteria for agencies to use in determining their move plan. Move plans will also take into consideration what makes sense and what is economically reasonable. His office will be meeting with each agency to discuss.

SB 5891

There was discussion around Senate Bill 5891 and its impact on agencies. Rob said CTS does not oppose the bill. The bill is

consistent with the Biennial Performance Report; some the highlights include:

- DES exemption from competitive contracting for the State Data Center if approved by TSB and OCIO.
- OCIO requirement to develop statewide purchasing standards for technology networking equipment and services
- OCIO requirement to evaluate proposed IT expenditures and establish a priority ranking.
- Higher education institutions requirement to provide OCIO with IT application expenditures.
- IT Investment pool.
- CTS requirement to review state telecommunications and information networks and report to OFM and the Legislature in September 2013.
- OCIO requirement to inventory state legacy IT systems and develop a plan for modernization with a report due to OFM and the Legislature in September 2014.

WiFi Discussion

Bruce Shurtz gave an overview of the business objective and design approach to develop and implement a secure statewide enterprise WiFi service offering.

Christy Ridout reiterated that CTS has not initiated WiFi as a new service. More work needs to be done to determine if the timing is right; if it makes sense given budget constraints, and how to align with what some agencies have already implemented.

After much discussion, it was determined a follow-up meeting is required and a pilot agency, or agencies need to be selected.

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May 1, 2013
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