

July 21, 2009

Access Provisioning Subgroup

Discussion Items

Julie Kamarauskas sat in for Dan McDevitt for this meeting.

1) Discussion of Roles & Responsibilities for Data Stewards and Data Managers (Bruhn)

Mark explained a bit of the background about the old set of roles and responsibilities and why we have tried to expand on that based on the work of the standards working group (with Merri Beth and a set of Data Managers).

Don noted that some people do not seem to understand where the Data Stewards come from, who appoints them, and to whom they report. Also, what is Mark Bruhn's role? The paragraph about who appoints the Data Stewards is in a paragraph before these. Also, should the standing committees be named in this document? Are these the right standing committees? The group feels it would be useful to include these subgroups in this document. Don pointed out that organizations such as FIS, Foundation, SIS, and Research Administration, play a role in the training and orientation to the use and handling of their specific data.

Kevin noted that the DS are appointed by the CIO; who appoints the DMs? The current DSs did review a spreadsheet of the list of DMs and made appropriate changes. Does this constitute appointment by the appropriate Data Steward? For SIS, which is the most complex, Dan McDevitt does approve any changes to his Data Managers. Julie noted that the Data Supervisor role in SIS probably doesn't fit into this document because the people in this role do not have the same authority as a Data Manager and more importantly, is not a recognized entity for all institutions/modules/systems. If included, this would have to be noted.

Kevin asked where senior management fits into this model. We will take another look at the .1 document in the Standards.

2) Update on the Role-Based Access Provisioning (Alan Walsh)

The Data Stewards appointed a subgroup of some of the Data Managers chaired by Dan McDevitt to further define specifications for this project. After a few meetings, the new strategic plan (Empowering People) (a seven year plan) was more clearly defined and there is a project within this plan which relates directly to Role-Based Access Provisioning. There is an up-to date plan in Confluence within OneStart (Action Item 42).
<http://ovpit.iu.edu/strategic2/>

The subgroup chaired by Dan McDevitt discussed this plan and provided Alan with detailed feedback on timelines, elements of the plan, etc. Burton Group will provide consulting to assist in reviewing where IU stands now in relationship to Role-Based Access. This will include a review of current Enterprise Systems to determine how access is granted in these systems.

Don noted that Dan Rives had mentioned that we may already have some elements in place today for Role-Based Access. Alan's response was that it was their hope that having outside consultation by Burton will help us to inventory what we have and help us to make a buy vs. no-buy decision with regard to such a system. There is even the possibility of a hybrid system being implemented. This is probably a 3 to 5-year project at least (early 2012 implementation is the projected date). This will depend greatly upon time and resources applied to such a project. These plans seem to be fairly well developed. Mark asked where the Identity Management Taskforce fits into this. Alan met with Kim Milford today and asked her to map what is going on with the IDM Taskforce with items in the Empowering People plan. Kim is taking this under advisement. Dennis noted that this Taskforce should be identified as a stakeholder in Action No.42.

3) Review of Challenges & Opportunities as it relates to Access Provisioning (Davidson)

- It was noted that periodically each of the subgroups needs to determine (once a quarter) what needs to be communicated to the Data Managers; Scott and Phyllis can create a document, but feedback is needed from the Committee of Data Stewards as to the content of such a communication. The chairs of each of the subgroups will develop a response to the Data Managers based on the feedback in Challenges and Opportunities. Julie noted that SIS is putting together a set of meetings for later in the summer to address many of the concerns which relate to their area. The first meeting will be in August and others will likely be scheduled on a quarterly basis, depending upon the opinion of the Data Managers as to an appropriate frequency.

Action Items

- 1). Phyllis will incorporate the updates from Dan and this subgroup into the Challenges & Opportunities and provide an update to the Data Managers in the next couple of weeks.