IT Governance Program – Strategic Information Technology Committee

Meeting Minutes

October 5, 2018
12:00 – 2:00 p.m.
JK Williams Building Conference Room 212

Attendance:

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<td>x Jeffrey Burton</td>
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<td>x M. Dee Childs</td>
<td>Dr. Simon Sheather</td>
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<td>x Dr. Tim Davis</td>
<td>x Dr. Jorge Vanegas</td>
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Minutes: Scheduled Business

Item 1: Welcome & Introductions
Description: Welcome and introduction of new members to the SITC.

Item 2: Lunch
Description: SITC members were provided lunch during the meeting

Item 3: Brief Orientation
Description: A brief orientation of new members covering the SITC charge, meeting cadence, and typical topics.
Joshua Kissee gave a brief orientation of this committee for any new members present, including committee logistics, email list (will be sent out), ITG website, ITG Framework, and an overview of the committee charge.

**Item 4: Committee Updates**
Description: An update from each committee Chairperson covering activities in their committees.

- **TTLTC** - Catharina Laporte provided a handout for her update.
  - It was decided that this committee will meet monthly for nine months.
  - This committee has four main charges and has made progress on two of these.
  - The main task for this group was creating a task force for LMS on campus.
    - The current Blackboard learn contract (eCampus) will be replaced by Blackboard Ultra.
    - This is an opportunity to decide what system we will change to.
    - In discussion – storage is an issue when considering which system to choose.

- **IRPSC** – Aaron Breder reporting in the absence of Karen Hrcir
  - A survey was sent out and responses are being grouped colleges and classifying comments.
  - A report including recommendations by priority will be delivered to this committee when complete.

- **AIC** – Cheryl Cato reporting
  - This committee charge is more to help other committees be successful at their objectives.
  - This group is also focused on network funding.

- **IRPSC** – Dr. Paul Wellman reporting in the absence of Karen Hrcir
  - This task force has met several times and has conducted a review of IT equipment documents and has submitted that document to Dee Childs.
  - This committee is also addressing SAP reviews and making recommendations regarding what to do with those SAP’s.
  - Josh showed the group a chart that demonstrates the workflow process of an SAP.

**Item 5: Strategic Action & the SITC**
Description: A group discussion covering:

1. What the SITC desires from the CIO for FY19.
2. The aspirations, pace, and workload sought by SITC members for FY19.
3. Feedback on the rough set of strategic goals.
4. Input toward the IT Strategic Planning process and how to maintain alignment with V2030.

- This committee is also developing a strategic plan for campus and hopes to use it to provide guidance principles across the University.

- In ways to align ourselves for the bigger 2030 strategic plan, this group has started a one page strategy for on division that gives an idea of plans going forward.

- In discussion, Jorge Vanegas explained that he is on the committee for Vision 2030.
Jorge would recommend that someone on this committee connect as a faculty member, as well as an IT Governance member to sit on the Vision 2030 committee as well. This way we can be pro-active and not just re-active.

- The group received a handout that was an outline of potential IT Strategic plan themes and objectives.

**Discussion continued:**

- Dr. Laporte sees a lot of similar language. There may a way to consolidate as there are very similar themes, and bridging between themes is a good way to think strategically.
- Dee Childs discussed that the point is that we have a lot of data, so the committee should consider how to maximize the use of that data so that people can use it in creative ways.
- Mark Barteau: We are working on data archives and access with more seamless alliances and working on data sets.
- Jorge Vanegas: shared a drawing to demonstrate how to integrate silos.
  - Need to: Grade current state of integration across campus.
  - What ways might TAMU increase what different units are able to do.
- Cheryl Cato- discussed that we need to identify: Why were the silos created? Why must work be done in a closed system?
- Mark Barteau: Funding is a team and multi-disciplinary. People are busy writing proposals and don’t have time to go and see what others are doing.
- Abby – a guest: Discussed that we needed to know what others are doing. There is talk of consolidating sources of funding opportunities and speaking from a student perspective, would like to see more collaboration across the university.
- Mark Barteau: Would like to discuss this further. We don’t give ourselves enough credit and we should look at where we are being successful and how to replicate that.
- Dee Childs asked the committee what the next steps were.
- Catharina Laporte: Innovate, Advance, and Partner to marry into Jorge’s themes and go from there.
  - This thematic vision to feed other objectives.
  - Dee acknowledged suggestion.

**Item 6:** **Other Items**

**Description:** An open discussion for SITC members to raise items of importance.

Meeting adjourned: 2:02pm