TECHNICAL PANEL
Varner Hall - Board Room
3835 Holdrege Street, Lincoln, Nebraska
Tuesday, February 14, 2017, 9:00 a.m.
MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:
Ed Toner, CIO, State of Nebraska
Walter Weir, CIO, University of Nebraska, Chair
Christy Horn, University of Nebraska
Kirk Langer, Lincoln Public Schools

MEMBERS ABSENT: Michael Winkle, Nebraska Educational Telecommunications

ROLL CALL; MEETING NOTICE; AND OPEN MEETINGS ACT INFORMATION

Mr. Weir called the meeting to order at 9:07 a.m. A quorum was present to conduct official business. Meeting notice was posted to the NITC website and the Nebraska Public Meeting Calendar on January 10, 2017. The agenda was posted to the NITC website on February 10, 2017. A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was posted on the wall of the meeting room.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF OCTOBER 11, 2016 MINUTES*

Mr. Langer moved to approve the October 11, 2016 minutes as presented. Ms. Horn seconded. Roll call vote: Toner-Yes, Horn-Yes, Langer-Yes, and Weir-Yes. Results: Yes-4, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.

ELECTION - TECHNICAL PANEL CHAIR FOR 2017*

Mr. Toner moved to nominate Walter Weir to serve as the Technical Panel Chair for 2017. Mr. Langer seconded. There were no more nominations. Roll call vote: Langer-Yes, Weir-Abstain, Toner-Yes, and Horn-Yes. Results: Yes-3, No-0, Abstained-1. Motion carried.

PROJECTS

Project Status Dashboard

Andy Weekly reviewed the dashboard with the panel members. There were no major concerns or issues with any of the projects. Mr. Langer asked about the NeSA testing in regards to ACT testing for 11th graders. If you replace the standard test with the ACT or combining it, it does not affect their grade but joining the two applications creates some difficulties - preparedness for college plus their academic achievement while in school. This would requires that standardized test be a testing center and would require a server in the classroom. For smaller school districts this would be doable but difficult for larger districts. Gary Needham, Co-chair of the NITC Education Council, agreed. Mr. Langer recommended that the project contact Tom Rolfes.

Voluntary Review Project Closure; Nebraska State Patrol - AFIS Upgrade Project*

Mr. Weekly reported that the project has been successfully completed and is ready for closure.

Mr. Langer moved to designate the AFIS Upgrade Project as a closed project. Mr. Toner seconded. Roll call vote: Langer-Yes, Horn-Yes, Toner-Yes, and Weir-Yes. Results: Yes-4, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.

2017-2019 BIENNIAL BUDGET; INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECT PROPOSALS; NITC MEETING FOLLOW-UP

Mr. Becker stated that the NITC reviewed all the project proposals at their November meeting. The Commission instructed the Technical Panel to further review project 65-01 with the agency, and report back to the Commission with a recommendation on an enterprise project designation for the project.

Project 65-01. Dept. of Administrative Services - Enterprise Resource Management Consolidation
Byron Diamond, Director, Administrative Services

Mr. Diamond briefed the members on the current environment and the proposed project. Discussion included: the systems to be replaced; multiple interfaces; data entry issues; existing hardware and software issues; disaster recovery issues; and other related items.

Mr. Diamond indicated agreement with an enterprise project designation.

Ms. Horn moved to recommend that Project 65-01, Department of Administrative Services, Enterprise Resource Management Consolidation be designated as an enterprise project. Mr. Langer seconded. Roll call vote: Langer-Yes, Horn-Yes, Toner-Yes, and Weir-Yes. Results: Yes-4, No-0, Abstained-0. Motion carried.

Project 46-01. Department of Corrections – CIT (Correction Information and Tracking) Systems
Ron TeBrink, Project Management

Mr. Becker indicated that the NITC asked the Technical Panel to further review the project with the agency because of the limited amount of information that was available in the project proposal submitted with the agency's budget request.

Mr. TeBrink brief the members on the proposed project and responded to questions. Mr. Weir will report back to the Commission at their March meeting.

STANDARDS AND GUIDELINES

Request for Waiver - Department of Correctional Services

This item is a carry-over from the last meeting. The agency withdrew the request on October 12, 2016. No action is needed.

Security Architecture; Draft Standards and Guidelines

Mr. Hobbs reported that the Security Architecture Workgroup has developed draft revised security standards. The draft documents have been shared with the State Government Council for comments. Final versions of the documents will be on the next meeting agenda for approval for the 30-day comment period.

WORK GROUP UPDATES AND OTHER BUSINESS

Accessibility Work Group, Christy Horn. The federal government just published and released the 508 Compliance Standards. She will get the work group together again and review the standard and accessibility checklist for vendors.

ADJOURNMENT

Ms. Horn moved to adjourn. Mr. Toner seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:32 a.m.

Meeting minutes were taken by Lori Lopez Urdiales and reviewed by Rick Becker of the Office of the CIO/NITC.