MEMBERS PRESENT:
Brenda Decker, Chief Information Officer, Chair
Beverlee Bornemeier, OCIO-Enterprise Computing Services
Dennis Burling, Department of Environmental Quality
Colleen Byelick, Secretary of State
Keith Dey, Department of Motor Vehicles
Pam Kunzman, Nebraska State Patrol
Steve Rathje, Department of Natural Resources
Eric Henrichsen, Department of Health and Human Services
Kelly Lammers, Department of Banking
Glenn Morton, Workers’ Compensation Court
Jennifer Rasmussen, State Court Administrator’s Office
Jayne Scofield, OCIO-Network Services
Bob Shanahan, Department of Correctional Services
Terry Slone, Department of Labor
Bill Wehling, Department of Roads

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mike Calvert, Legislative Fiscal Office; Brent Gaswick, Department of Education; Lauren Kintner, Policy Research Office; Pat Flanagan, Private Sector; Dorest Harvey, Private Sector; Gerry Oligmueller, Administrative Services/Budget; Len Sloup, Department of Revenue; and Rod Wagner, Library Commission

The Chair, Brenda Decker, called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m. There were 16 voting members present at the time of roll call. A quorum existed to conduct official business. Meeting notice was posted to the NITC website and the Nebraska Public Meeting Calendar on December 19, 2013. The agenda was posted to the NITC website on February 7, 2014. A copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available in the room.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF SEPTEMBER 12, 2013 MINUTES


PRESENTATION: PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION’S MOBILE PULSE APPLICATION
Collin Robbins, Public Service Commission

Mobile Pulse is an application that tests download and upload speeds at unique location on carrier networks and/or Wi-Fi and uploads data to Mobile Pulse site. This application can be downloaded for free or the Public Service Commission is seeking partners that would utilize and distribute the dashboards for up to 25 users. Both the free and advanced offerings have dashboard functionality. There is no financial obligation.
Council members were given an opportunity to share comments and ask questions. Members had concerns about security and the impact that would have towards the usage on their monthly plans. Ms. Decker recommended that Mr. Robbins and Mr. Hobbs work with Mobile Pulse regarding security assessment.

DISCUSSION

Windows 8 in State Government
Kim Dalton, OCIO Open Systems Team

The primary driver of Windows 8.1 deployment is tablet adoption and use of the touch screen. New features in 8.1 include:

- Start button functions
- Can boot to the desktop instead of Start Screen
- Internet Explorer 11
  - Applications that rely on older browsers may not work with IE 11
  - Now includes anti-malware that scans binary extensions
- BYOD improvements and Open MDM: users can register their own systems on the corporate network, but Open MDM allows third party MDM vendors to integrate with 8.1.
- Remote Business Data Removal allows greater control over encrypted content that can be wiped.
- IE 10 and 11 – includes Enhanced Protected Mode, which restricts web browser access to sensitive locations such as My Documents and does not support the use of browser plug-ins.

Enterprise Security Considerations
- Windows Live ID Integration
- Windows Store
- Work Folders = SkyDrive integration

April 2014 is Windows XP End of Life. Below are a few reasons to move off XP:

- Windows XP codebase was conceived well before Microsoft’s Trustworthy Computing Initiative, and long before the Security Development Lifecycle was introduced. Because of these factors and others, Windows XP lacks some of the important new security features that Windows Vista and 7 have. It does not come close to providing the level of protection that Windows 8 does.
- End of Support means no security updates. XP does not have native malware resistance as modern Windows desktops do so are infected more frequently by malware. (Based on Microsoft Security Intelligence Report. Greater install base is considered in the data, which has been normalized to represent the number of infections per 1000 systems scanned.)
- Gartner recommended back in 2013 that organizations still using XP should move to Windows 7, which Gartner sees as “a secure and stable OS.”
- Windows 8.1 uses less RAM and CPU than Windows 7 so can be supported on older XP machines.

The Department of Health and Human Services, Department of Natural Resources, Department of Motor Vehicles and Nebraska State Patrol have all deployed Windows 8, to a small group of users. They were asked to share their findings with the OCIO so that everyone could be informed of the results of the testing.

Junk email Options
Jason Meyer, OCIO Open Systems

Mr. Meyer described the handling of junk email in the state email system. The Office of the CIO will develop a document detailing this information and the options available to state employees. The document will be link to the meeting minutes [click here] and will be posted on the OCIO website.

AGENCY REPORTS

There were no agency reports.
OTHER BUSINESS

At the September meeting, Ms. Decker informed the Council that Nebraska had three nominations for NASCIO awards which were to be presented at the October NASCIO conference. Network Nebraska-Education won an award for the Cross-Boundary Collaboration and Partnerships category. Nebraska also received honorable mention for the Handicap Parking Permit Application and Management System and the Nebraska Capitol Live Mobile App. Winning projects had to submit a video highlight the project. The OCIO submitted a video and it is posted on the NITC website. Members were encouraged to visit the site.

The OCIO has completed an IT application audit for CAFR. There were no major issues. The final report has been posted on the State Auditor’s website.

Pat Flanagan’s term serving as a NITC Commissioner will expire in April. Dorest Harvey has been appointed to the NITC representing the general public.

There was discussion about the LB429 contracts database and accessibility issues related to scanned PDF files.

The State is the middle of an IBM Audit. It is anticipate that there will be no major issues. Adobe and AutoDesk have contacted the OCIO to also do an audit. Microsoft has audited other states and we need to be prepared for that possibility.

ADJOURN

Mr. Shanahan moved to adjourn. Mr. Burling seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

The next meeting of the State Government Council will be held on Thursday, March 13, 2014, 1:30 p.m., Executive Building-Lower Level Conference Room, 521 South 14th Street in Lincoln, Nebraska.

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