

Active Directory Planning Meeting

9 AM, November 13, 2002

Union Street Station

Present: David Gagne, Joe Gasper, Bill Covey, Dave Pokorney, Warren Curry, Iain Moffat, Mike Conlon, Chris Hughes, Eric Olsen, Hansford Tyler

Consultants

Statements of work and estimates of time and dollars have been received from Dimension Data and Dell Technical Services. No response was received from Microsoft Consulting despite numerous attempts to engage them.

The Dell response is for the first phase of work – assessment – and is a fixed price offer of \$19,750 for 15 days of effort resulting in an assessment report. Subsequent effort would be billed at \$150 an hour to design the AD, implement the root server, provide a transition plan and assist with migration of elements of the first two units. The estimate for the second phase of work is 7-10 weeks and \$75,000-\$100,000. Dell indicated they could begin work within six weeks of selection.

The Dimension Data response is for all phases and is six weeks at \$36,000. Dimension Data indicated they could begin work within two weeks of selection.

Staffing

Two positions have been approved for the UF Active Directory Project. One is a USPS position that will join the OSG at the data center and will focus on operational support of the Active Directory servers. The second position is an A&P position that will join the Directory Services group at IS and will focus on configuration, interfaces, data models and services to the units. Both positions should be posted shortly and members of the working group will be asked to assist in search processes.

It is critical to the success of the project that people with extensive Active Directory experience be hired and that these people are able to work well with the units.

Proof of Concept

Discussion regarding units to participate in early adoption of the enterprise Active Directory ensured. Factors for selection are willingness, readiness and strategic value. It is important to the long term success of the project that the early adopters are able to do the work using mostly existing resources. Further discussion will be needed to identify these units.

Action Items

1. Consulting documents will be sent to members of the ACTIVEDIR-L list. Members are to return comments by Monday morning, November 18. Based on comments received, a consulting firm will be selected and the statement of work modified as needed.
2. Position descriptions will be sent to members of the ACTIVEDIR-L list. Members are asked to return comments by Monday morning, November 18. Position descriptions will be modified as needed and posted.
3. Further discussion on the list and elsewhere will be needed regarding the selection of early adopter units.