

Bozeman IT Council Notes

Thursday, June 20 2017

President's Conference Room

Attendees: Robert Barksdale, Matt Bunko, Chris Deshazo, Adam Edelman, Greg Hess, Rod Laakso, Pete Martinson, Justin Shanks, Tracy Simonson, Mike Trotter, Josh Turner, Justin van Almelo, Ernie Visser, Mike Wright

Standing Item - Communications

- As a reminder, all communications are archived here:
<http://www.montana.edu/uit/notices/index.html>
- Communications regarding GApps, SonicWall decommissioning, Spirion (Identity Finder), and other Back-To-School messages are coming.
- The IT Expos will happen again in September – be sure to contact Josh if you're interested in participating.

Information Items

- We will discuss the EDUCAUSE ETRAC survey at next month's meeting. Stay tuned for survey results to review ahead of time.
- Password Management – Justin provided an overview of the Security Council sub-group effort to select Keeper as the password manager for MSU. This will be made available by the beginning of the term in August.
- Desktop Support – UIT is no longer charging labor for desktop support work (effective July 1). Communications are under development to announce this change
- Desktop Management – Josh provided an overview of the recent challenges associated with desktop management. We are beginning open discussions regarding a more pro-active approach (auto-reboots, etc) and enhanced capabilities with our existing tools such as LANDesk and McAfee ePO.
- Team of Teams – Mike provided an update on the Team of Teams approach to the MSU IT Community that is coming.

Discussion

Barnard Wiring

Ernie explained his concerns over the lack of understanding with how infrastructure investments are prioritized – in particular, the wiring in Barnard Hall. While we continue to improve our approach to prioritization, things are still inconsistent and not as mature as they should be and we will continue discussions. As for Barnard Hall, we will continue to perform upgrades as resources allow, and will be sure to include wiring upgrades with any remodels of Barnard that come as result of the opening of the NAH.

VDI

Ernie inquired as to the status of support for BYOD in the VDI environment. Rod explained that we are not ready with this capability yet, but are forming a working group to look at a pilot implementation in the coming months.

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Other Topics

REMINDER: please provide agenda items for future meetings to maintain the collaborative value of this Council.