



Minutes

Monday, June 12, 2017

Patrick Henry Building

West Reading Room

1111 East Broad Street, Richmond, VA 23219

Attendance

Members present

John Newby, Chairman
Clyde Cristman
Jeffrey Ryan
Kelly Thomasson Mercer
Sandra J. Adams
Nelson Moe
David Von Moll

Members absent

Dr. Ernest F. Steidle, Vice-Chairman
Charlie Kilpatrick, P.E.
Kent Dickey
Anjan Chimaladinne
Christopher Beschler
David Ihrle
Judy Napier
Secretary Karen R. Jackson
Monte Johnson

Others present

Janice Akers, VITA
Dr. Marshall Ruffin, Inova

Chad Wirz, VITA

Call to Order

Chairman John Newby called the meeting to order at approximately 1:04 p.m. He welcomed and thanked the members for attending today's meeting.

Mr. Newby asked Ms. Akers to call the roll. Ms. Akers reported that there was not a presence of a quorum at 1:05 p.m.

Mr. Newby noted that the approval of the March 13 minutes would need to be tabled until a quorum was reached.

*Note: The ITAC meeting agenda packet including all of the presentation materials may be accessed on the VITA website at:
<http://www.vita.virginia.gov/ITAC/default.aspx?id=6442476071>*

Information Technology Infrastructure Services Program

Mr. Chad Wirz, Executive Director, Platform Relationship Office at VITA, conveyed to the members of the ITAC that his group's focus was on replacing the current contract with Northrop Grumman which ends in 2019. Mr. Wirz made general statements to the ITAC, which consisted of the following:

- VITA remains committed to the multisourcing integrator (MSI) model
- The market has validated this strategy to be successful
- VITA and Northrop Grumman do disagree with some terms of the contracted services.
- The commonwealth continues to work together with Northrop Grumman to find solutions.
- The commonwealth will enforce the current contract with Northrop Grumman.
- The comprehensive infrastructure agreement (CIA) obligates Northrop Grumman to support Virginia's transition to new service providers.

Mr. Wirz told the ITAC that Northrop Grumman filed a lawsuit against the commonwealth on May 26 and the papers were served on May 31. He noted that this is impacting the commonwealth's disentanglement approach. Mr. Wirz assured the ITAC that VITA will preserve the commonwealth's rights.

Mr. Wirz moved to give a few project updates:

- Unisys was successfully retired in April 2017. The commonwealth had been using it since 1975, over 42 years, and agencies had deep ties to it. It was a job well done.
- The IBM mainframe was transferred to DXC Technologies (formally Hewlett Packard) on June 3. This success shows the market can do these types of transitions.
- Messaging/directory services is delayed due to disagreements with the incumbent.

Mr. Wirz acknowledged that the schedule for the RFP's is delayed due to delays with the litigation.

HITSAC Accomplishments and Future Agenda

Dr. Marshall Ruffin, Chairman of HITSAC, presented to the ITAC a review of prior year accomplishments and the future agenda for the 2017-2018 calendar years moving forward.

Dr. Ruffin gave an overview of accomplishments in interoperability, governance and data sharing that include, but are not limited to, the following:

- Health IT Standards: Recommended for adoption 129 health IT standards covering clinical documentation, laboratory reporting, vocabulary, medications, and messaging.
- National Information Exchange Model (NIEM): Provided technical guidance in support of the commonwealth's adoption of NIEM across domains of state government (first state government).
- Commonwealth Data Exchange Standards: Informed the state's adoption of external data exchange standards to enable interagency information sharing.
- Commonwealth Data Governance: Advised agency staff on development of the state's central data governance program
- Enterprise Information Architecture (EIA) Strategy: Served as a primary stakeholder in the state's strategic planning process toward an enterprise-level data strategy
- Executive Directive 7: Provided guidance on the analysis and development of recommendations to promote data sharing and analytics across the state government
- eHHR/ConnectVirginia: Guided the state's work plan to enable cross-agency data sharing under the eHHR program and with the statewide health information exchange, ConnectVirginia
- HITSAC Genomics Working Group: Partnered with HL7 and the CDC to identify use cases for the exchange of clinical genomic information in a standardized manner integration
- HITRUST Common Security Framework: Shaped the state's strategies for aligning data sharing with information security

Dr. Ruffin then moved to next steps for HITSAC in 2017-2018. He asked the following approvals be made:

- HITSAC to request ITAC appointment of new member:
 - Mariann Yeager, eHealth Exchange/Sequoia Project
- VITA to propose legislation moving HITSAC to advise Secretary of Health and Human Resources
- HITSAC to request ITAC approval of 2017-2018 work plan topics:
 - Clinical Genomics Use Cases and Pilot Project
 - HITRUST Common Security Framework
 - Health IT Standards Currently Under Ballot

Mr. Newby asked if there were standards for genomics and what other states were doing it? Dr. Ruffin confirmed that Virginia would be the first state to promote genetics and that other governments and universities are very interested in our findings.

New Business

Mr. Cristman asked if it would be possible to go into an executive session at the next meeting so the members could get more information on transition activities. Mr. Newby responded that a request has been made to the Office of the Attorney General (OAG) if a closed session could occur and that an answer was still forthcoming.

Proposed Meeting Topics

Mr. Newby as for proposed topics for the ITAC.

Mr. Newby noted that the March meeting minutes and confirmation of Ms. Yeager would need to occur at the next meeting. He also asked if the code change was up to date for HITSAC.

Proposed Future Meeting Dates

2017 dates are Sept. 11, Dec. 4

Public Comment

There was no public comment period.

Adjourn

Chairman Newby adjourned the meeting at 1:36 p.m.