Information Technology Strategy and Investment Committee

Minutes - December 9, 2015

Office of Policy and Management, 450 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut

Conference Room 2A

10:00 A.M. – 12:00 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

Melody Currey, Committee Co-Chair, Commissioner, Department of Administrative Services

Lou Fazzino (on behalf of Robert Klee), Department of Energy and Environmental Protection

Jonathan Harris, Commissioner, Department of Consumer Protection

Dennis Murphy, Deputy Commissioner, Department of Labor

Mark Raymond, Chief Information Officer, Department of Administrative Services, Bureau of Enterprise Services and Technology

Susan Weisselberg (on behalf of Ben Barnes), Deputy Secretary, Office of Policy and Management

Kendall Wiggin, State Librarian, Connecticut State Library

Others in Attendance:

AHCT: Peter Van Loon, Shan Jeffreys, Steve Sigal

OPM: Robert Dakers, Jim Hadfield, Kasia Janik, Kerry Kelley, John Vittner

DSS: Roderick Bremby, Tia Cintron, Vance Dean, Mike Gilbert, Sharon Kopycinski, Matthew Robertson, Janel Simpson

UCHC: Jonathan Carrol, Jeff Geoghegan, Andrea Keilty

DOL: John Matteis, Robert Merola

DRS: Réal Lavigne, Joseph Mooney, Michael Romeo, Beth Souza

* **Call to order**
  + Melody Currey called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.
* **Introductions**
  + Committee members introduced themselves
* **New Business**
  + Melody Currey informed the Committee that the IT Strategy and Investment Committee meetings will now be made open to the public.
  + John Vittner informed the Committee that $3m will be requested to be placed onto an upcoming Bond Commission agenda, on behalf of the IT Capital Investment Program, for 3 projects which were previously approved by the Committee. The request will be for the 2nd half FY16 funding for DOC, DOT and OEC.
* **IT Capital funding requests**
  + **DSS – HIX/IE – Supplemental request**

Mike Gilbert reviewed the background on the Integrated Eligibility project and its four tiers. He explained that this supplemental request:

* Includes funding associated with five APD updates including three EAPD submissions and two IAPD submissions;
* Includes feasibility study for Tier 4 child support system changes ($0.3M IT Capital fund cost);
* Includes $1.0M in funding for additional AHCT system costs; and
* Total funding request of $106M, including federal support and IT Capital Investment Program support, for additional project work

A motion to approve the project was made by Dennis Murphy and seconded by Kendall Wiggin. The motion was unanimously accepted.

* + **UCONN Health Center – Integrated Electronic Medical Records**

Jonathan Carrol reviewed the background and need for an electronic medical records system at the University of Connecticut Health Center. The current Inpatient EMR does not:

* + - Meet future requirements of federally mandated HITECH Act;
    - Enhance patient safety and quality of care;
    - Allow for clinical collaborations

The current system is minimally supported now and contract expires in 2017. The Cerner acquisition of Siemens Medical Solutions, which as finalized in February, 2015 has led to a decision not to enhance this platform for Meaningful Use Stage 3. This translates to the potential for $3M in annual Medicare disincentives.

Jeff Geoghegan provided steps the UCHC has completed to date:

* Published an RFI in spring/summer 2014;
* Used the data received from RFI responses to develop initial options, costs and benefits/risks;
* Published RFP in March 2015.
* July - October – Rigorous selection process, which included 36 selection team members, vendor demos, site visits and reference calls. Expertise from outside firm specializing in EMR selection/implementation used throughout the process;
* November – Vendor of choice selected. Discussions re: contracting, phasing, staffing models and system hosting begin with vendor;
* December 31, 2015 – Anticipated contract in place

A motion to approve the project was made by Dennis Murphy and seconded by Kendall Wiggin. The motion was unanimously accepted.

* + **DOL – UI Revitalization - Amended request**

John Vittner asked DOL if funding for this project was intended to amend to the existing request or considered part of a broader development agency strategic plan for business and IT. Bob Merola indicated it was the latter. Bob Merola provided background on the need for development of a long-term business and technology strategic plan. Mark Raymond asked DOL if this imitative was focused specifically on the business plan or incorporate a technology plan as well. Bob Merola indicated that both plans were needed and funding for this investment would synchronize long-term plans for both technology and the business of DOL.

A motion to approve the project was made by Jonathan Harris and seconded by Mark Raymond. The motion was unanimously accepted.

* + **DRS – IT Modernization Project Business Case Development**

Joseph Mooney provided background on the need for development of a long-term business and technology strategic plan. Mark Raymond asked if the plan was specific to the needs of DRS or would incorporate the use of shared services. Joseph Mooney and Beth Souza indicated the plan would modified to ensure that the vendor would include shared services as part of their deliverables.

A motion to approve the project was made by Dennis Murphy and seconded by Susan Weisselberg. The motion was unanimously accepted.

* + **Other Business**

John Vittner notified the Committee that the majority of the “Requirements” dollars, approved by the Committee in November, 2014 had been allotted to the agencies.

A motion to provide an additional $600,000 to OPM for developing agency requirements, planning and Lean activities was made by Melody Currey and seconded by Dennis Murphy. The motion was unanimously accepted.

* + **Adjournment**

A motion to adjourn was made by Dennis Murphy and seconded by Kendall Wiggin. The motion was unanimously approved. The meeting was adjourned by Melody Currey at 12:22pm.