

**BCT meeting notes**  
**January 7, 2010**

**Maureen** - She would like LRGP starting one day early but gives us additional time. LRGP has much less time than PREP. Raye Ann would prefer not at 5:00 on Friday but Friday later would be fine.

**Raye Ann will send Maureen a mail message when they've completed the test they need to make. Maureen will then bring down LRGP Friday/Saturday morning.** Sue/Mary Approved

**RPTS** - Nothing in particular happening with RPTS. Dan just ramping for tax forms.

**Fire Alarm Safety – rescheduled to the 23<sup>rd</sup>**

**Mike** - Extract one week from today – generally the same day availability.

Finance - 1099 and 1098-T trying to get out. Looking at ways to test Banner 8. Wondering about Jinitiator. Raye Ann building a plan because of all of the field lengths changing. Making certain we are testing appropriately.

**Touchnet should go on Monday. No payment accepted from 5:30-8:00 am on the Monday 11<sup>th</sup> as we test. Hopeful that Jane will have her piece done because we have not yet tested for the way PROD is running.**

Also working with U-Stores but delayed by campuses. If not in the 1<sup>st</sup> week of February it will be 6-8 weeks for Touchnet support later.

**TOAD/RPTP**

Raye Ann - TOAD is going along fine and has converted many of their jobs but there is still a lot more to go. Plan is to hit the January 31 deadline.

Carolyn – Did appear that there was user training on the Anchorage campus? Brian – starting training late next week for anyone.

RPTP from Maureen – has scripts that will regenerate everything that needs to be rebuilt after the Banner upgrade but it will take a lot of time for rebuilding snapshots. It should be invisible to users because they are rebuilt one at a time but it will take a long time to get everything refreshed.

**Maureen sent a list of the 300 snapshots – please let her know if there is a sequencing issue – in case you need one before the other. Estimate is that they will take TRND and TRNH take hours and hours to repopulate and re-index – probably 10 hours for those 2 alone.**

**Expect one week after Banner 8 is up for all snapshots to be rebuilt.**

RPTS – will be refreshed immediately before the Banner 8 upgrade. TRND and TRN8 will need to be upgraded right before PROD. Send those snapshots required to sdst so they are on the list.

**Carolyn relies completely on data warehouse for their payroll processing. We must have one or the other available for the payroll processing data. Carolyn should send Maureen the tables to make certain they get refreshed immediately before and after PROD goes down and comes back up.**

EDIR/Authserve – from RPTS to RPTP. - This is a showstopper for the Banner upgrade. We know this has to be migrated before.

Maureen has a plan on how to do this, but limited manpower could be an issue. RPTS will break when we move to Banner 8. Will build the sequence based on requests.

Estimated time of conversion for the general queries? Raye Ann says after January 31.

Personal Schema - There are people that use RPTS that have created tables in their own schema but haven't built for RPTP.

**Maureen can drop the user from RPTS and move to RPTP – Raye Ann wants. Option 2 – tell people with tables in RPTS with schema that don't match in RPTP and tell them how to make them match. Will contact power users directly. She can synch people once and then they will need to synch on their own. Help to have feedback from RPTS users. No timeframe for this.**

**GFC** Haven't met since last BCT.

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**HR** Working on w-2 processing and Banner 8.

LRGP Refresh on Monday – went well.

PREP – validate everything you need in LRGP before Friday because that's the last day you have to put stuff in there.

**Student** UA Online started linking to ELMO – some issues with some students not showing up in ELMO. Statewide logo is showing on page to reduce confusion.

Banner 8 – all programmers working on upgrade.

Face2Face – coming in February.

Luminous 4 is a challenge to upgrade. Looking at Luminous Channels approvals.

**Application Svc.** All before mentioned.

2 programmer vacancies and applications for the manager position.

Other Issues:

Jinitiator – was it causing problems for TOAD users but haven't heard about new problems.

**Because we are switching the vendor for the Jinitiator certificates db. James has the new certificate on his machine but would like to push to a few power users to test. It can be pulled back if it's been pushed and is a problem.**

Raye Ann – where are we going with Banner 8? Are we going to IE7 with Banner 8 and before testing cert would like to know if we are going to IE7 or staying with IE6.

James – IE7 is not deprecated with IE8 because of Microsoft. It appears we may need to move to IE8. Firefox? What about Banner problems. Sungard certified

**Raye Ann suggests a gameplan for browsers because so many users are doing their own thing and then calling with problems. What is the set of webbrowsers we know work with Banner and what are we doing. What environment are our functional users going to be in?**

Sungard is sticking to IE not Firefox – because the pages may look funky but it is still functional. INB strategy vs. webbrowsers. Rory believes it goes back to Sungard – what can the product support.

**Raye Ann will test the cert in production from IE6. Her people are willing to test. Beginning Tuesday after the LRGP users. Laura willing to test as well.**

It can be placed and withdrawn quickly and the machines don't need to be rebooted.

E-mail Services

Moved from services to FREE email software and calendaring services. OIT is spending a great deal more time supporting these products because the google apps is very robust and users are forced to work harder to deploy the suite applications which means a lot more questions.

**Mail forwarding would be closed at the end of 2010, however, there are a lot of scripts that send information about how the job ran. It is difficult to see that the email has been forwarded. Needs to be addressed.**

What about departmental accounts? We don't know at this point because there have not been alternatives defined and vetted at this point.

Next meeting January 21<sup>st</sup>.

Alternate meetings are Banner 8 issues.

**This meeting is scheduled for 2 hours. We are usually done within one hour. The second half of the meeting could be Banner 8 functional meeting with additional users being invited in that part of the meeting.**

Sue – concerns about the NLS date format. When you use the year in the database it's 2 digits and in the forms it's a 4 digit. If you call from Oracle forms it affects the job – unless in Jobsub.

### **Upcoming**

Jobsub....

Patty sent a note about passwords expiring every 120 days. This maps back to the GFC and the agreement created. David Dewolf was contemplating changes and Rory will make certain it goes to the GFC.