Registration Work Team Meeting Agenda for August 6, 2003

Group: Registration Work Team

Topic: Weekly Team Meeting

Attendees: Colleen Abrams, Jacques Christensen, Jan Critchen, Carolyn Hanthorn, Barbara Hegel, Janet
               Johnson, Brigitte Mayes, Cheryl Plowman, Tim Stickel

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Topics to be discussed:
        Other agenda items?

        Active task requests
        . SHR2GRM update
         . Have done some limited testing.
         . Appears that message area is in lower 1/3 of the page.
         . Control report not printed at end of run.
         . GURMAIL table not updated
         . Further testing results?
         . Status from JJ?
         . *No further changes made to the process. Unknown when it will be looked at by the programming
                staff. Further testing is needed and as problems occur report them to JJ.*
        . SFR2ACT - Reporting
         . Add new parameter to say whether to print dropped courses
         . Status from JJ?
         . *In test.*
        . SFP2RPO -
         . Test results?
         . *No known testing done at this time.*
        . SFR2TCA Report
         . Status from JJ?
         . *In test, report is written and .dat file needs to be added. Carolyn has some examples with a large
                number of records.*

        New task requests
        . SFRSCHD -
                We have had a request from staff in a couple of academic departments that they would love to
                be able to pull the SFRSCHD Student Schedule by CRN instead of (in addition to) SSN. There
                are not people available or trained to do Pop selects for them. When class times, locations, etc.,
                change after students are enrolled, or added sections are being planned, this would greatly help
                the departments to look at the schedules for the enrolled students by course, and choose
                alternatives that would make the least impact on students, and greatly reduce the time it takes
                to work out options.

                We suggest a new parameter "CRN", optional, multiples allowed, that would print SFRSCHD for
                all students enrolled or waitlisted. A second parameter may be needed to specify enrolled (R)
                and/or waitlisted (L), same as #12 Reg status on class list.

                Would other campuses also find this useful? Thank you.
                -Jan, Juneau campus
                . *Jan will write up the task request. Review at the next meeting.*

        Registration challenges
        . Reporting needs of upper and lower division credits

. Carolyn, does SFR2SCH meet your needs?
. *Yes, but want benchmark stats.*
. *Also, want this added to SFR2ENR. Carolyn will write up task request.*

* We stumbled across a possible way around this last week.

Banner will not consider the following two courses as duplicates, because the schedule code is different.

ENG   2113   English Comp   schedule code L (lecture)
ENG   2113   English Comp   schedule code WWW (web course).

When we noticed that a student had enrolled in two CRNs of this course, we though that somehow the duplicate course Fatal check has just stopped working.   It took a couple of hours to work this through and figure out what was happening.

Theoretically, then, each department could use different schedule codes for the seminar courses, i.e, S1,S2,S3.   Of course, this screws everything up if you're using schedule codes for something else.

We have the same problem with seminars, practicums, and institutes, and wind up with lots of confusion over putting in override codes.   So, I'm going to check out the possibility of using this feature .... defect .... whatever.
.*JJ has an SQL script*

Student 5.6 Upgrade
. Experiences with 5.6
. *SFAREGF no longer work as before. Can no longer <clear form rollback> to enter a second id -- Must*
     <exit> to enter another id. Totals on second page are correct until you scroll down when
     additional amounts are read.
. *SFAREGS must <commit> twice, <enter> once -- <commit> once, <enter> twice.*
. *May be program code strings that are not working now.*
. *On SMAPRLE, UAS needs to include UAS at the beginning of their descriptions.*

Student comments from feedback page
. Address changes - MA addresses can be updated on UAOnline beginning 8/11/03
. *Need to have the procedure for checking web-entered addresses using SPR2ADR. Carolyn*
     recommends doing this daily.
. *Will be activated as soon as Fairbanks addresses are updated.*
• Additional text for registration page providing information concerning why students cannot register.
• *Each campus compose text for the next meeting to be included in help area.*

Web setting of SFRSRPO by faculty
. Works great - lists available codes, lists first 23 courses (by CRN) for a given instructor
. Posts to SFASRPO with a user of WWW_BAN.
. Any instructor or only primary can post?
. Other discussion
. Can we open it up for fall semester?
. *FERPA questions with the total access.*
. *Need to explore limiting*

Printing of Personal Data Forms through UAOnline
. Status - Colleen?

Transition from Voice Response
. Discuss memo from Ron Illingworth to Bernice Joseph and Ron Slominski
. Definitive dates for VR shutdown is 10/2004

Next meeting:

Colleen

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Mail message from Ron Illingworth:

Ron & Bernice:

Per the attached, and as a result of my discussions with both of you yesterday, I see that the voice registration system will be eliminated in the near future. I'm not sure of the implementation date. While that is probably not too bothersome for us in CRA since most of our off-site registrations happen via phone calls and faxes directly to rural campuses and rural education centers, the elimination of the ability to call in and receive your grades is more significant since most of our rural students have no other alternative to receive their grades.

>From talking with Mike Sfraga, I understand that the various MAU registration teams have been tasked with identifying transition processes. At UAF, I believe that Coleen Abrams chairs the Registration Work team charged with developing the transition plan. There are several issues which we must be aware of as this discussion progresses and transition solutions are identified.

1)   What will the long-term replacement for the VR system be?
2)   How long will a short-term transition solution be in effect?
3)   Who will pay for the short-term and long-term solutions?
4)   Will the solution provide for equal access for rural students as well as for urban students with more universal internet access?
5)   How will the proposed solutions accommodate the requirements for distribution of final grades, mid-term grades, freshman progress reports, etc.

Possible solutions that I have heard mentioned include the following:

1)   Internet posting of grades through UA Online
2)   Establishment of an 800 number or numbers for students to use to obtain their grades
3)   Mailout of grades as was done in the past

In a larger sense, this issue ties in with a need for a broad-based student support function which would provide services to students who/when (they) are not located on a regional
campus where they have access to site-based student support functions.

As the discussion progresses, I hope that the discussion will address not just the issue of registration and grades, but the larger issue of how we can respond to the requirement to provide student service support to our students. At a recent conference held in Anchorage (Alaska College Reading and Learning Association) the composition faculty were unanimous in their recognition of the need for and their support for the development of an on-line writing lab which would be available for all UofA students. These seem to be initiatives which can and should be addressed simultaneously.

Thank you for your assistance in this.

Ron

From: Saichi Oba <saichi.oba@alaska.edu>

All,

Attached is a memo addressed to you all from Mike and Steve regarding the decision to move off of VR.

I echo their suggestion to submit feedback on how to transition off of VR to the Banner Reg work team. (Colleen Abrams is the team leader for the Registration Work team.)

Thanks,

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