# Communication Technologies Advisory Group

Notes

# July 2, 2015

Present: Josh Jury, Kevin Lee, David Ladrie, Fred Eaker, Andy Raynor, VJ Tailor, Ed Rogers, Will Brockelsby, Josh Gira, Greg James, Greg Sparks. John Black, Shawn Dunning, Chris Eichman, Donna Barrett

# **Welcome**

## CATV - Wolf Village phase 1 upgrade complete

**MDFs**

* CMDF HVAC - looking at add’l redundancy, relocating power panels
* NMDF - Strategic planning in progress-still working on Winston
* WMDF – equipment transition, final room upgrades in progress-just cosmetic things left

**Infrastructure Records**

* Outside plant fiber inventory in planning
* Wireless maps development in progress (88 buildings loaded) – public interface in planning
* 246 buildings (41,000 outlets) in PLA ground.

**Building Infrastructure Projects**

* Research 4, Lee, Bagwell under construction
* CFL, DH Hill in design

**UPS -** Developing list for FY2015/16, replacements will start in Fall.-two months without UPS failure

**Campus Backbone**

* Cisco discontinuing support for ACE load balancer hardware
* MCNC DWDM Optical Node moved from HMDF to SMDF
* All 5 MDF network management vlans moved to MPLS L3VPN. Minor work still needs to be completed on the routers.
* Backbone IOS upgrades required this Summer-a backbone reboot on 7/30/2015.
* Moving equipment from 2-post racks to 4-post cabinets in CMDF and WMDF over the Summer and into the Fall. Continuing to migrate equipment from HMDF to SMDF.
* Fiber backbone extension – cutovers starting on 5/16 with optical node move, others will continue over the Summer and into the Fall/Winter.
* Installing IPS/IDS environment for PCI MPLS L3VPNs and other selected networks this Summer
* Finalizing a significant portion of the centralized services infrastructure at SMDF and CMDF
* Implementing an interim plan this Summer to provide ResNet with additional bandwidth.
* Looking into future WAN connectivity options to NCREN (Nx10G vs 100G)
* Centrex Replacement SMDF Zone - in design-campus users will not notice any change

**Data Center**

* Access layer switch software upgrades starting at 1:00 AM on Sunday 8/9/2015 in DC1 and DC2.
* Tentatively scheduled extended maintenance 9/19/2015 - 9/20/2015

**Access Layer**

* Building upgrades “CALA Lite” - FY14/15 projects - all designs complete except for Venture II, Nelson, Textiles (in progress)
* IOS upgrades this Summer within the access layer

**Bluelights -** Working on comprehensive long-term plan. Currently have a resource devoting 20 hours/week to Bluelight maintenance.

**Cellular/mobile** – Verizon/Spidercloud pilot - Williams, Scott, Riddick-goal is to do these three by September

**IT Strategic Planning** - Cyberinfrastructure Masterplan thoughts-Greg gave an overview and announced that they have come up with six initiatives that will be discussed at an upcoming IT Community Event on July 30th.

**Budget**

* Have moved to FTE-based model for 15/16 and converted to auxiliary (redistributing state funds to units in same ratio impacted to be net 0)
* Finance & Administration “bought down” phone rate one more year ($7 vs. $8)
* [FY16 Projects Review](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1UGnRgHOGyztuUkkjjdKf9bvzx3k5RIOSfk6J-fUBBXM/edit#gid=0)- (Draft was shown for review and Q&A) Greg clarified that this a working document and confirmed that everyone was able to open link/

**Unified Communications**

* UNCG (continues to support and it’s going well)
* App State-we have any agreement to move forward with App State- a rollout starting possibly January
* VG350 Update -- Centrex Replacement
* Cisco Licensing -- ELA (Enterprise Licensing Agreement)
* MySoft Replacement-there are 3 contenders that will be invited to bid on the rfp (Former Mysoft Co.,PCR, and ServiceNow
* Expressway / Jabber & Cisco video endpoint registration –up and running in the lab and hopefully in the next week or two it will be up and running to start connecting devices to it.

## Wireless

* In design – Talley phase 2
* Test bed in Hillsborough Bldg.
* Residence Hall full wireless – planning in progress for deployment summers of 2016 and 2017
* EDUROAM (secure SSID )
  + Goal is to eventually transition as many stakeholders as possible to use this SSID-Greg confirmed that reports are available-will start getting reports on usage
* Proactive monitoring of over saturated 11n AP’s.
* Other project requests?

### Parking Lot Items

* Routing licenses at the BDF level – when and how much should occupants pay? Interim solution is 50/50 when “desired”, ComTech funds when required
* “virtual data center” – what is it and who pays
* Funding for server rooms, higher capacity (10Gbs ports), etc.

## Upcoming Meeting Dates

* Next CTAG Meeting – August 6th