ITLT Data Strategy Subcommittee

Charge

UI System IT Leadership Team (ITLT) determined the need to charge a group that would be responsible for examining the data ecosystem, the potential opportunities, and to provide input on existing data ecosystem capabilities. This charter outlines the purpose, guiding principles and goals for a new ITLT Data Strategy Subcommittee, comprising members nominated by the CIOs referred to as “Data Strategy Subcommittee” throughout the rest of this document.

Purpose

The Data Strategy Subcommittee helps to shape the strategic direction for data services that support enterprise, academic, student experience (health, wellness, life), research, health systems, and public engagement initiatives. The data strategy subcommittee will achieve this by informing and advising the ITLT about data strategies and capabilities while sharing information across the University of Illinois System, including UIAA and UIF. The subcommittee will develop the goals below by forming working groups of subject matter experts and stakeholders representing the various entities to engage in targeted resource gathering, evaluations, vendor engagements, and more in support of the goals of ITLT and the strategic data utilization by the university.

This charter enables the vision for strategic leadership and decision-making for data as a community of professionals across units within the University of Illinois System.

Guiding Principles

The following principles define how the committee will conduct itself in support of our purpose:

- Strategically focused and forward thinking
- Producing clear, intentional, and measurable outcomes
- Respectful of all perspectives through open and inclusive participation as a means to promote trust and collegiality
- Collaborative in service of the university system
- Impactful and valued across university system
- Accountable for our commitments
- Sustainable for the long term
- Recognizing the individual needs of each ITLT represented group

Goals

The committee has the following goals:

- Identify strategic data assets and capabilities at our organizations to inform, share and provide direction on the baseline and future direction.
• Benchmark university and system initiatives and current capabilities against peer institutions, and present examples that can be advantageous to us.
• Understand the CIOs current perspectives on challenges with data
• Participate within respective university and system strategic planning efforts to identify and contribute to discussions related to data.
• Develop and propose a strategic roadmap of data ecosystem opportunities for review and approval by ITLT.
• Create awareness of the many opportunities and challenges that impact the broader system-wide data ecosystem to promote discussion.
• Work to promote university-wide participation by engaging related organizations within the university system.
• Engage with and connect to governance and advisory groups at each campus to promote coordination and identify opportunities for broader inter-campus initiatives.
• Define what the strategic partnership on data should be to enable data needs of the universities.
• Define a strategic blueprint for formalizing the development of communities of practice/expertise related to data.

Structure

The committee will be composed of members appointed by each CIO in the ITLT group. The committee will report to ITLT on an as-needed basis. The committee will be self-organizing and will determine roles as needed for successful achievement of goals.

Administrative support will be provided by AITS if needed.

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Current members are included below and membership will be reviewed annually.

• Casey Arnold – Vice President for Alumni Services – UI Alumni Association
• Sarah Bjelland – Associate Director of Alumni Services – UI Alumni Association
• Mike Davis – Chief Technology Officer – UI Foundation
• Elizabeth Romero Fuerte, Senior Director, Learning Technologies and Instructional Innovation - Technology Solutions - UIC
• Vernon Huber – Assistant Director Enterprise Applications – Information Technology Services - UIS
• Tom Perrone – Director of Business Intelligence – UI Health
• Phil Reiter, Associate Director, Privacy, Office of the CIO – Technology Services – UIUC
• Mary Stevens, Technology Architect – Technology Services - UIUC
• Chris Tidrick, Senior Director, Information Technology Partners at Gies Business - UIUC
• Dimuthu Tilakaratne – Assistant VP of Decision Support – AITS – System
• Nick Vance – Assistant Director Data Innovation- Technology Services - UIUC
• Thomas Warfield – Director - Office of Institutional Research - UIC