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Background: In July 2002 an infrastructure working group was launched via the IT Commons to make recommendations on campus needs for an Enterprise Directory Service. The Directory Services Working Group identified several key areas where a more robust and fully featured directory service would be of great benefit to the University. An outgrowth of this effort was the identification of a project structure and project manager for the Enterprise Directory Services Project.

Purpose: Our purpose is to create a visionary architecture and plan for identity management, roles, data sharing and reconciliation, and directory services that reaches far beyond the current system and organization constraints. We say it is possible for this architecture to provide a foundation for future uses and applications that have not yet been dreamed of.

This architecture will describe services and functionality that allow units across the campus to build high-quality local and infrastructure services quickly and with the fewest resources. We will build this vision as a University community that will enable and serve us all, while allowing for the unique needs of University units.

Charge: The Enterprise Directory Services Project Phase 1 Team will:
• report progress and bring appropriate issues forward for resolution to the project sponsors, James Hilton, Associate Provost, and Laura Patterson, Associate Vice President;
• develop and implement a communication plan to keep the University community informed of the activities of the project;
• investigate and make recommendations on adoption of appropriate middleware standards;
• gather requirements from campus constituencies for an enterprise directory service;
• gather current campus uses of directories;
• define the scope of the enterprise directory service and identify resource needs;
• develop a high-level and detailed project plans;
• develop the business case and a proposal for funding the next phase of the project;
• develop a plan for campus governance of the enterprise directory;
• determine the commitment of campus constituencies to leverage a directory in the future;
• define the high-level architecture for the enterprise directory capability; and;
• recommend the software platform on which the directory will be built.

Composition: Members of the Enterprise Directory Services Project Phase 1 Core Team will represent the overall needs of the University for an enterprise directory. Although they may be affiliated with a particular unit, their role is to represent the entire University, not just the needs of their respective area.

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