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Mr. Jim Owczarski  
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Room 205, City Hall

Dear Mr. Owczarski:

Please be advised that an Administration & Operations (A&O) Committee Meeting of the Annuity and Pension Board has been scheduled for **Thursday, March 16, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the Employees' Retirement System Conference Room at 789 N. Water Street, Suite 300.** If a quorum of the Board is present, this meeting will convene as a Special Board Meeting. The agenda is as follows:

Please be advised that the Annuity and Pension Board may vote to convene in closed session on the following item (I. and II.), as provided in Section 19.85(1)(e), Wisconsin State Statutes, to deliberate or negotiate the purchasing of public properties, the investing of public funds, or conducting other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons require a closed session. The Board may then vote to reconvene in open session following the closed session.

- I. Approval of Renewal of Wells Fargo Banking Services Contract.
- II. Approval of Proposed Northern Trust Contract for Securities Level Determination Reporting.
- III. Election of Vice Chair.
- IV. IT Projects Portfolio.
- V. Organizational/Personnel Update.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Bernard J. Allen", is written over the typed name and title.

Bernard J. Allen  
Executive Director

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**Administration and Operations Committee**

**ERS IT Portfolio Report**

**March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017**

- Information Technology Projects Summary
- Application Stats
- What's Next
- IT Portfolio

# Information Technology Projects

## Summary

- MERITS Optimization – HCP (Health Care Processing), BAA & PAP - Benefit Amount Adjustment, and Payroll Processing (In Progress)
- Struts 2 Upgrade (In Progress)
- 2016 Firewall and Active Directory Reviews (In Progress)
- 2016 DNS and IP Address Reviews (In Progress)
- 2017 Desktop Rotation (In Progress)
- Member Education Videos POC (In Progress)
- SAN Firmware Upgrades (Completed)
- Backup Exec Upgrades (Completed)
- Hired Sr. Network Engineer (Paul Benedict)

# Application Stats

Category	High Priority	Low Priority	Total
Current Inventory	7	3	10
PIR	4	0	4
CCR	3	3	6
Pending/Hold	0	3	3
Deployed(Awaiting Next stage) /Ready for Production	0	0	0
Net Current Inventory	7	0	7

# What's Next...

- Continue Optimization and Struts 2 Upgrade
- Complete 2016 Firewall and Active Directory Reviews
- Complete 2016 DNS and IP Address Reviews
- Schedule and Prepare for 2017 IT Audits
- Complete 2017 Desktop Rotation
- Disaster Recovery Test to Femrite (IT only)
- WebSphere Application Server patching
- iPad Upgrades
- LAMP

# Glossary of Terms

- *Applications/Acronyms Definitions:*

- **Perforce:** Primary application the development team uses to make code changes to MERITS. It provides the environments for testing, development and CCR/PIR deployments.
- **AccPac:** Accounting software that supports the general ledger.
- **Ahhis:** Asset management software the technical team uses to inventory and support all IT assets. This application manages updates to computers, imaging, and software distribution from a centralized console.
- **Websphere Application Server (WAS):** The application server that we use to connect Web site users to Member Self Service and other MERITS related web services.
- **JAVA:** The programming language that MERITS was developed in and is running.
- **PIR:** Problem Incident Report- A person reports a bug with the application and requests priority resolution.
- **CCR:** Change Control Request- A person request a new feature, change or enhancement to MERITS.
- **Retirement Application Processing (RAP):** Functional module in Merits that processes retirement applications through workflow.
- **Merits Program Lifecycle Management (MPLM):** Process to upgrade, patch and keep current all of the MERITS related subsystems and ERS business applications.
- **Storage Area Network (SAN):** Primary storage technology used to centrally store all ERS data and manages Disaster Recovery.
- **Disaster Recovery Plan (DRP):** The technical planning, design and testing of all IT systems and staff to ensure that all technical systems can run at the off site location in Madison, WI called Femrite. IT staff does semi annually testing to ensure all applications and IT services are up and running within the designated service level objectives.
- **Recovery Time Objective/Recovery Point Objective (RTO/RPO):** These are I.T. service level goals for the amount of time it takes to cutover I.T. services to the Femrite location and the point in time (per the last backup) where we recover at. Currently at 24 hours recovery time and 8 hours for any loss of data. I.T. currently exceeds this expectation based off the last 2 tests.
- **Business Continuity Plan (BCP):** The process that ensure the ERS can continue running its services and daily operations at the Remote Office in the event that the primary location is not accessible. We engage ERS business users to physically work at the Remote office location and document the results on a recurring basis.
- **Remote Office (RO):** Backup Remote work facility located at TPP 10850 W. Park Place. It is connected to both the 789 N. Water Street facility and the Femrite Data Center in Madison, and users can physically work there and connect to any needed data center.
- **MERITS Optimization:** Project approved in 2012 to go through all 17 application modules in MERITS and clean up code, ensure best practices are implemented, SQL stored procedures for faster performance, reporting and user experience. It is the clean up of any non ERS related code that may have been carried over from the original JClarety (HP software) implementation.
- **ARIS:** Web based software used for mapping legal opinions to MERITS workflow processes and procedures.

Portfolio as of March 1, 2017

Project Health	% Complete	Project Priority	Complexity (S / M / L)	Project Name	Project Mgr	Description	Strategic Goal: G1 - G7	Status:	External Vendor Required: Y/N	Actual Start Date	Target Completion Date	Estimates (Hours)	Actuals (Hours)	Hours Variance = Estimates - Actuals	Hardware/Software & External Labor Budget (\$)	Actual Spent-to-Date on Hardware /Software & External Labor (\$)	Estimate to Completion (ETC) (of Hardware/ Software & External Labor Costs)
G	75%	1	L	BAA / PAP Optimization	Manchu	Evaluate, assess and implement MERITS Optimization and Clean-up	G7	IP	N	8/3/15	9/5/17	4,343	2,665	1,679	N/A	N/A	N/A
G	10%	2	L	Struts 2 Upgrade (Not MAM)	Manchu	Software development upgrade all other functional areas	G7	IP	Y	10/17/16	8/15/19	11,438	1,020	10,418	\$730,290	\$58,451	\$671,840
G	30%	3	L	HCP Optimization	Manchu	Evaluate, assess and implement MERITS Optimization and Clean-up	G7	IP	N	10/26/16	9/22/17	1,406	396	1,010	N/A	N/A	N/A
G	40%	4	S	2017 Desktop Rotation	Powell	Swap out old PCs and iPads for newer, better models	G7	IP	N	1/20/17	5/1/17	193	108	85	\$34,425	\$25,521	\$8,904
G	17%	5	S	Member Education Videos POC	Zaffiro	Produce videos for website	G4	IP	N	2/23/17	5/24/17	183	26	157	\$2,500	\$0	\$2,500
		6	M	DR Test (IT Only) @	Reid	Testing 2PP to Femrite	G3	NS	N		3/31/17					\$0	\$0
		7	M	Websphere Server Patching @	Manchu	Websphere application server patching.	G7	NS	Y		6/30/17	95		95	\$9,768	\$0	\$9,768

Green = On Target - No Significant Issues  
 Yellow = On Watch List – Issues Being Addressed  
 Red = Project cannot move forward as planned without management attention or approval.

NS = Not Started                      OH = On Hold  
 IP = In Process                        C = Complete  
 @ = Activity (no charter)

**Special Note: Struts 2 Upgrade costs are part of the 3-year HP maintenance contract.**

Completed Projects & Tasks in Last 12 Months	Finished	Hours / \$ Spent
Refund Optimization (Manchu)	2/3/2016	760.5 hrs / N/A
Software Licensing Audit @ (Reid)	2/15/2016	60 hrs / \$6,800
IT General Controls Audit @ (Reid)	2/15/2016	117 hrs / \$13,600
IT Disaster Recovery Test (Roemer / Raynal)	3/22/2016	29.25 hrs / N/A
Legal Opinions on cmers.com @ (Zaffiro)	4/1/2016	30 hrs / \$3,480
Desktop Rotation (Rogers)	5/11/2016	117.75 hrs / \$32,267
FileNet P8 Implementation (Manchu / Zaffiro)	5/12/2016	5,363 hrs / \$459,085
Vendor Management Application (Siddiqui)	5/31/2016	68.25 hrs / N/A

	Finished	Hours / \$ Spent
IT Social Engineering Audit @ (Reid)	6/2/2016	40 hrs / \$6,600
VMware Host Upgrades (Roemer)	8/1/2016	101 hrs / \$190,337
Windows 2012 Server Upgrade @ (Raynal)	9/21/2016	876 hrs / \$8,434
IT Disaster Recovery Test @ (Dugan / Rogers)	10/21/2016	111 hrs / N/A
IT Network Vulnerability Audit @ (Reid)	10/20/2016	140 hrs (Expiris Only)/ \$23,100
Physical Inventory @ (Rogers)	12/20/2016	10 hrs / \$265
FileNet P8 Patching @ (Manchu)	1/7/2017	87 hrs / \$13,330
MAM Struts 2 Upgrade (Manchu)	1/25/2017	967 hrs / \$33,294



# Organizational/Personnel Update

Administration and Operations Committee

Thursday, March 16, 2017

- ERS Reclasses and Reorgs still in progress.
- Disability Specialist Sr. position filled by Michelle Carr and Pension Accounting Specialist position filled by Debbie Davis.
- ERS is working with DER to fill the Pension Accounting Manager position.

