

# COURT AUTOMATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

March 22, 2007  
10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

## Arizona Supreme Court

Conference Room 920  
Superior Court in Pima County  
110 West Congress  
Tucson, AZ 85701

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### MEMBERS PRESENT

Kip Anderson  
Ron Beguin (*Tim Lawler, proxy*)  
Karl Heckart  
Donald Jacobson  
Patrick McGrath  
Gordon Mulleneaux  
Gregg Obuch  
Michael Pollard, *Co-Chair*  
Rick Rager  
Marcus Reinkensmeyer (*via telephone*)

### MEMBERS ABSENT

Cathy Clarich-Nemecek  
Margaret Guidero  
C. Steven McMurry  
Patricia Noland  
Dave Stevens

### GUESTS

Phillip Ellis, *Pima County Superior Court*  
Beverly Frame, *Clerk of Superior Court in Yuma*  
Joan Harphant, *City of Tucson Municipal Court*  
Irene Lett, *Yuma Superior Court Clerk's Office*  
Arlene Lusk, *Yuma Superior Court Clerk's Office*

### AOC STAFF

Renny Rapier, *ITD*  
Stewart Bruner, *ITD (via telephone)*  
Carla Tack, *CSD*

## **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS**

Michael Pollard, CACC Chair, provided members of the committee with opening remarks and reviewed the day's agenda.

## **LIMITED JURISDICTION COURTS CMS UPDATE**

Rick Rager, Tempe Project Manager, reported to members on the status of the limited jurisdiction CMS project being developed in the Tempe Municipal Court. The CACC Program Readiness Dashboard report was provided and remains on the CACC website for review. Rick asked members to make note of a change in the system implementation date from the previous November 2007 to a new date of January 22, 2008. According to his report, there were several factors that had necessitated the change of date with resource availability being a primary contributor. Additionally, there have been several interface projects that have not progressed as planned and with the assistance of a project management resource from the AOC he was made to realize that his original implementation date was not recoverable. He also made clear that there may be more refinement of the project schedule as the financial modules become clearer with the development status and as resources are made available. The dashboard report does not fully disclose dates and status. Properly completing the dashboard report is a goal of Rick and the AOC project management team.

Certain assessment activities will take place over the next few months to determine the progress of the project and the gap in functionality that will remain once the CMS is delivered to the AOC for modification to a state wide system.

## **MARICOPA CLERK FINANCIAL SYSTEM**

For the update of the iFIS project, Gordon Mulleneaux gave a presentation in support of the CACC Program Readiness Dashboard that now displays a slide in the implementation schedule from April 2, 2007 to date still to be determined. Gordon reminded the committee that the first phase of the project was JOLTS replacement, the MEEDS replacement and limited financials. Karl Heckart made a statement about the difficulty in implementation of any financial system and asked for reassurance from Gordon that testing was complete as the new implementation date would need to reflect an end to testing. Gordon stated that testing was not complete but was expected to be done in the next 10 days. He expressed optimism but no guarantee.

## **GENERAL JURISDICTION COURTS CMS UPDATE**

Phillip Ellis, Project Manager for AGAVE, again provided the status update for the general jurisdiction CMS being developed in Pima County Superior Court. As noted on the CACC Program Readiness Dashboard report, all tasks remain on schedule with the financial module being anticipated for production deployment on May 1, 2007. After a direct question, Phillip also indicated that a test copy of AGAVE with financial functionality would also be available on April 2, 2007. A screen display illustrating what the financial module within AGAVE would look like brought about a discussion and questioning because the view is markedly different than the other AGAVE screen views and navigation menus. Comments from members indicated that it appeared to be the

Pima Crimweb system imbedded into AGAVE. In short, it was not well received by the committee. The remaining presentation of the AGAVE status is displayed on the CACC website, but it should be noted that there were no changes to delivery dates.

Following his status presentation, Phillip proceeded with a live demo of the AGAVE system as is in production. This ignited a series of questions from committee members and staff that dealt more with court processes and were not within the scope of Phillip's role to explain. CACC Staff made mention to members of the committee that questions were more pointed as they should allowing Phillip to complete the majority of the demonstration. However, this event highlighted the need of the AGAVE Project Team to provide the correct individuals for such a demonstration. It is noted that several participants in attendance of the meeting had come to view the system in detail and were not able to receive a thorough look at AGAVE. Additional demonstrations will be required.

The demonstration did spark an intense discussion about the RFP that is in progress for the purchase of a CMS for the superior court locations in 13 counties. Members of the Committee reviewed all options for the new CMS, build, buy or borrow scenarios due to the knowledge of the RFP process being made. In order for the CACC to fully understand the development of these options prior to the next COT meeting of June 7 and 8, 2007, Judge Pollard postponed the May CACC meeting for May 30, 2007. The intent of that meeting is to be prepared to make a recommendation to the COT as to the best option given all considerations.

### **AZTEC PROJECT UPDATE**

Due to time constraints in holding the AGAVE demonstration, no updates were provided on the AZTEC programs or for the Standardization Committee progress. Both of the projects will be added to the CACC agenda for the April 19, 2007 meeting.

### **OLD BUSINESS**

No old business was presented.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

No new business was presented.

### **CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Judge Michael Pollard made a call to the public. Hearing no items from the public, members took to opportunity to make a couple of final comments:

- **The next CACC meeting is scheduled for April 19, 2007**, in Conference Room 230 of the Arizona State Courts Building.

The meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.