

CACC MEETING MINUTES

COURT AUTOMATION COORDINATING COMMITTEE A Subcommittee of the Commission on Technology

Thursday, September 20, 2012
10:00 AM - 12:30 PM

ARIZONA SUPREME COURT
1501 W. Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007



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MEMBERS PRESENT

Kip Anderson*
Cathy Clarich
Donald Jacobson
Phillip Knox
Richard McHattie*
Rona Newton
Michael Pollard, *Chair*
Janie Randall*

MEMBERS ABSENT

Julie Dybas
Mary Hawkins
Patricia Noland
Paul Thomas

GUESTS

Steve Ballance*, *Maricopa Superior Court*

AOC STAFF

Stewart Bruner, *ITD*
Eric Ciminski, *ITD*
Melissa Hinojosa, *ITD*
Mary Kennedy, *ITD*
Bob Macon, *ITD*
Jim Price, *ITD*
Jim Scorza, *ITD*
Renny Rapier, *ITD*

* indicates appeared by telephone

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

Judge Michael Pollard, Chair, called the Court Automation Coordinating Committee (CACC) meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. upon confirming that a quorum existed.

The chair reported that Pima County Consolidated Justice Court (PCCJC) is in the process of creating an exception request to adopt and modify the Pima Superior Court AGAVE case management system (CMS). The timeline calls for Commission on Technology (COT) to consider the exception request at its November 9 (formerly November 2) meeting. PCCJC has been asked to brief CACC in advance of the COT presentation, since CACC oversees statewide automation. Members requested a presentation that contains a detailed comparison of PCCJC's requirements to the functions of AGAVE and AJACS. They asked staff to communicate their expectations for a fact-based discussion to PCCJC's leaders and to leave sufficient agenda time for a presentation and discussion next month. The prevalent concern raised in discussion was that required development will lengthen PCCJC's timeline for implementation after which the court will discover itself to have been an early adopter of a variant CMS which will be difficult to support and maintain.

PACC UPDATE

Rona Newton stated that no PACC meeting has taken place since the previous CACC meeting, but one is scheduled for September 27.

Observing that a quorum existed, Judge Pollard then requested members' input regarding the minutes of the August 16, 2012 CACC meeting.

MOTION: A motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the August 16, 2012, CACC meeting as written. The motion passed unanimously.

REVIEW OF CHANGES TO MINDMAP THIS MONTH

Staff member Stewart Bruner focused attention on the recent removal of several projects associated with AZTurboCourt from the MindMap now that no further development will be undertaken with Intresys, leaving the detailed explanation to Jim Price later in the meeting. Stewart also included the usual updated priority projects table in members' packets.

JOLTSaz PIMA PROJECT UPDATE

Bob Macon, Probation Automation Project Manager at the Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC), updated members on the progress of resolving performance issues experienced during Pima's testing with the JOLTSaz application. He described the strategy for using combinations of seven automated scripts and progressively increasing the load on the application. The goal is to simulate statewide usage of the system, not simply Pima's anticipated usage. Rona reviewed the progress of integration testing and summarized the issues surfaced thus far with charge code tables. Based on those issues, a process for adding codes in production is being worked out to minimize the impact to users. Rona also reminded members that another system will enter the mix when minute entry functionality gets added in the future, further increasing the complexity.

E-FILING PROJECT UPDATE

Jim Price, e-Filing Project Manager at the AOC, updated members on the priorities for the e-filing vendor changeover before the contract for support of the existing system draws to a close on May 31, 2013. He stated that work is underway on a mitigation plan to address the risk that the current vendor could exit the e-filing business before the contract ends. Members asked questions of Jim about the current customers of the eUniversa product purchased from AmCad. Rich McHattie provided a brief overview of the functionality of Maricopa's e-Filing Foundation and described the way it will enable the Maricopa Clerk's Office to make a smooth transition from TurboCourt to eUniversa. Jim pointed out various advantages of the eUniversa system and e-commerce model over TurboCourt, especially items that address reported user issues. In answer to the usual question from Don Jacobson, Jim pointed out that criminal e-filing brings with it vastly increased complexity and is therefore not a high priority during the transition period.

Jim then introduced Eric Ciminski who recently joined the AOC to direct the remote online access to courts' electronic documents (eAccess) and bench automation (eBench) projects. Eric is already busy digesting Supreme Court Rule 123 and the contractual documents. Jim clarified that eBench is only in the research and development phase at the moment and requires validation from some judges before any decision is made about statewide use.

POST-IMPLEMENTATION REPORTS

Renny Rapier, GJ AJACS project manager at the AOC, explained the necessity of the long-running table and data cleanup effort that recently completed. He elaborated on the benefits that will result from the replacement of local superior court tables with a common, statewide master table. Renny answered members' questions about code standardization and statistical reporting. implications the project brings to the AJACS courts.

ITEMS OF OLD OR NEW BUSINESS

No items of old or new business were raised.

The next meeting will take place in **Room 230** of the **State Courts Building** on **October 18, 2012**.

The meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m.