



Electronic Identity Management Advisory Committee

Wednesday, October 17, 2012 1:00 p.m.

Speaker's Conference Room, 6th Floor, General Assembly Building

The Electronic Identity Management Advisory Committee held its second meeting on October 17, 2012. Senator John Watkins, chairman of the Committee, and Delegate Kathy Byron were present, along with representatives from several Secretariats and government agencies. Many members of the private sector were also present, including some interested parties from out-of-state who joined the discussion via teleconference.

The meeting consisted of several presentations that were aimed to follow-up on questions and requests for information from the first meeting.

Tim Finnegan with SAS Institute provided an overview of data analytics. He indicated that data analytics are used not just to see what has already happened, but to use existing data to forecast trends and outcomes. Complex analyses are used to make connections in the data that may not be readily apparent.

Michael Farnsworth, the Commonwealth Authentication Service (CAS) Project Manager at the Department of Motor Vehicles, provided an update. CAS is the core service being utilized in the eHHR project discussed at the first meeting, but can be built out for many other applications that require authentication and identity management. In the future, DMV could serve as a gateway for other agencies wishing to provide credentials.

Duane Stafford, Statewide Credentialing Coordinator, explained Virginia's leading efforts in providing credentials for first responders. Issues related to credentialing became apparent in response to the Pentagon attack on 9/11. Using Department of Homeland Security grants, his office had a first pilot program in Northern Virginia and a second (currently on-going) program in Hampton Roads. He also demonstrated a hand-held credential reader that is used to identify and "check-in" a first responder using the credentials, regardless of which agency issued the credential.

Paul Donfried, CTO and Manager of Identity Solutions at Verizon, provided an update on Verizon's work in the realm of identity. He explained Verizon's approach towards identity management, and the user-centric goals that they are working towards.

Finally, Jeff Nigriny, CEO of Certipath, discussed third-party liability questions and issues that surround the issuance of identity credentials. Legislation had been proposed to

JCOTS in 2011 concerning this issue. He suggested some possible changes to the proposal, and urged that the committee consider suggesting the legislation to the 2013 Session of the General Assembly. Senator Watkins asked him to forward the proposal to staff for it to be circulated, reviewed, and discussed at the next meeting.

A copy of all of the presentations from the meeting are available on the JCOTS website.

Next Meeting:

Monday, November 19 at 1:00 p.m., 6th Floor Speaker's Conference Room