PROGRESS REPORT

Working Group Name: Cybersecurity

Working Group #: 37

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Date: February 23, 2022

Update on Actions Taken Since Last Report:

The Working group has met as a collective team twice. We have divided up into 4 sub teams.
- Sub Team 1 – Identify the key Identity and Access tools and policies.
- Sub Team 2 – Identify the device policies that are needed to better secure them.
- Sub Team 3 – Identify the security services needed by Research customers.
- Sub Team 4 – Identify the security services needed by our applications.

Next Major Issue to be Addressed:

Each of the sub teams are meeting 1-2 times per week and doing a report out to the main working group.

Problems or Barriers Encountered and Solutions Identified:

Shortages of staffing within the IT teams will limit the availability of staff to build the new infrastructure needed to consolidate services. With all the customer groups being impacted the demands on the existing IT teams to assist in reorganizational efforts and to deal with the number of office relocations will impact the ability to focus on IT restructuring. We will need to fill a large number of the existing openings to ensure that we have enough staff to handle the new and existing workloads.

Deliverables Completed:

In process but not completed.

Timeline for Completion of Remaining Deliverables:

Identify the identity and access programs that will better support the organization: March 31
Identify the best practices and policies needed to support the incredible range of devices in use at TAMU: March 31
Identify the security services needed to better support our research efforts: March 31
Identify the security systems needed to ensure proper Application security in both internally developed software and purchased products: March 31