

MINUTES OF THE
MARICOPA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY GROUP

September 15, 2011
MAG Office
302 North First Avenue
Phoenix, Arizona

MEMBERS ATTENDING

Dale Shaw, Mesa, Chair	David Stevens, Maricopa County
**Pat Timlin, El Mirage, Vice Chair	**Duncan Miller, Paradise Valley
*Patrick Quain, ADOA	**John Imig, Peoria
**Dee Hathaway, Buckeye	*Greg Binder, Phoenix
*Jim Keen, Carefree	**Kevin Sonoda for Brad Hartig, Scottsdale
*Patrick Hait, Chandler	**Tracy Mills, Surprise
**Mike Ciccarone, Fountain Hills	**Dave Heck, Tempe
*Ajay Joshi, Gilbert	*Harvey Estrada for Arkady Bernshteyn, Valley Metro Light Rail
**David Atchison, Glendale	
*Kathy Fernandez, Goodyear	

*Members neither present nor represented by proxy.

OTHERS PRESENT

**Elise Piatt, Triadvocates	Craig Chenery, MAG
	Audrey Skidmore, MAG

**Participated via telephone conference call.
+ Participated via video conference call.

TECHNOLOGY ADVISORY GROUP AGENDA

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairman Dale Shaw of Mesa. All members introduced themselves.

2. Call to the Audience

No comments were made by the audience.

3. Approval of the April 21 and August 4, 2011 Meeting Minutes

A motion to approve the April 21 and August 4, 2011 meeting minutes was moved by David Stevens, Maricopa County, seconded by Pat Timlin of El Mirage and unanimously approved by the committee.

4. Shared Systems and Resources

Mr. Shaw provided an overview of the Shared Systems and Resources working team and the progress the group has made over the past six months. Mr. Shaw stated that the low hanging fruit items are the commercial packages that the agencies are running. Mr. Shaw opened the floor to Craig Chenery of MAG to provide an overview of the shared applications. Mr. Chenery listed the top shared applications which included Microsoft Windows XP, PDSI Telestaff, Microsoft Office, ESRI ArcGIS, Microsoft Exchange 2007 and Websense. Mr. Shaw thanked Mr. Chenery for the review and opened the floor for discussion.

Tracy Mills of Surprise stated that her three year enterprise agreement with Microsoft is up for renewal. She asked if other agencies were in the same situation and whether they planned to renew. David Stevens of Maricopa County stated that he has just completed their three year negotiation with Microsoft. He stated that one of the components they leveraged which helped them was their executive account with Gartner. He added that there are some useful features. One is the ability to collaborate with private companies and other government agencies to discuss how they went through their process and issues and negotiation tactics. The second feature is being able to send the final offer and requirements to Gartner for a final review. Mr. Shaw asked the committee how many are currently in the process of negotiating with Microsoft and only Ms. Mills responded. Mr. Stevens noted that Adobe was not included on the list of applications. Mr. Stevens stated that he has had discussions with SHI to leverage the needs of the county to obtain stronger licensing agreements. Mr. Shaw clarified that it may be possible to negotiate a better deal for all agencies. The membership expressed interest in pursuing this. John Imig of Peoria stated that the city discontinued their enterprise agreement three years ago. Dave Heck of Tempe stated that they renew their EA for a few years and then cancel it for up to five years to see a return on investment. Mr. Shaw added that this strategy makes sense given the long life of an operating system. The committee expressed interest in discussing SharePoint opportunities. Mr. Shaw polled the agencies to determine who is using VVMare. Surprise, Tempe, Peoria, Glendale and Buckeye all stated they were. Mr. Shaw stated that there may be opportunities and the group expressed interest in adding VMWare to the list of potential volume licensing negotiations. Mr. Shaw added that volume purchasing is a common theme among agency interests. Audrey Skidmore of MAG stated that it may be possible to have ESRI offer training if multiple agencies are interested. The committee expressed additional interest in PeopleSoft training.

Dave Heck asked about shared agency resources. Ms. Skidmore stated that the MAG GIS department has data applications available and would arrange for a presentation to the committee If desired. Mr. Heck asked about Cisco warranties and maintenance. Ms. Mills stated that Surprise is currently on Cisco and that Tempe negotiated the contract on a previous year. Mr. Shaw added Cisco to the

discussion list and summarized that Adobe licensing, SharePoint application sharing, VMWare licensing, ESRI training and local users group for Oracle are the items of the most interest to the committee.

5. Agency Project Update

Audrey Skidmore stated that the first meeting of the 3-1-1 Business Planning Committee will meet on September 27th for the first time. David Stevens stated that the County is currently migrating to a Voice Over IP telephone system. Craig Chenery of MAG stated that the roles of Vice Chair and Chair are up for renewal at the end of the year and that MAG is accepting letters of intent.

6. Request for Future Agenda Items

Dale Shaw stated that at a future meeting he would discuss radio system work in the valley.

7. Committee Action Summary

Craig Chenery stated that MAG will contact their GIS division on a future presentation.

8. Date of Future Meetings

The next meeting of the MAGTAG is scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on October 27th, 2011 at the MAG Cottonwood Room.

9. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:09 a.m.