

PWG WIMS CIM Alignment

Conference Call Minutes

November 10, 2005

Craig Whittle - PWG WIMS/CIM Co-chair

Meeting was called to order at approximately 2 p.m. EDT on November 10, 2005 by Bill Wagner.

Attendees

Bill Wagner	TIC
Ira McDonald	High North
Craig Whittle	Sharp
Harry Lewis	IBM
Peter Zehler	Xerox

General Discussion

- Minutes from the Chicago face-to-face were accepted.
- Do we activate the PWG Semantic Model group to bring in new elements like the counter MIB back into the SM? Pete has approval to continue leading this effort.
- Craig will be attending the DMTF Developer's conference and the Alliance Partner Summit early in December. Craig will talk with Steve Jerman, John Crandall, and others to get input on the PWG WIMS/CIM Working Group activities and directions and invite them to participate in a PWG WIMS/CIM teleconference. Harry will talk with to his internal IBM contact to make sure that Craig can attend the summit.
- Ira suggested we do all 9 printing classes for the first Work Product (WP) #1 including editorial changes and non-controversial items. Ira believes that we are only going to get one CR completed in the next 18 - 24 months.
- Modifying to the description clauses in the xxx-current may be too controversial. The MIME changes should be included in WP #1.
- Heather Krieger (co-chair of WSDM) is OK with defining printing classes sponsored by the PWG.

- The PWG could do a BOF in January with Oasis to start PWG WSDM activities.
- Bill is concerned about diluting our efforts if we work on both the WP #2 and WSDM at the same time. Do we drop WP #2? Do we scale back WP #1?
- We are spending too much time trying to understand our direction without input from CIM Core.
- Rick should return to the group in December. Ira suggests will defer work on WP #1 and WP #2 activities until Rick returns.
- Bill proposed the following objectives:
 1. Update the SM
 2. Rollout SM to Web Services (WSDM)
- Consensus:
 1. CONTENT: WP #1 redefinition: No deprecation, minor updates to mapping, and add enums that are missing.
 2. FORMAT: CR or PWG document? Ira suggests we generate at CR (less work). We can circulate the CR as a PWG “FYI” document. Last call but not in a formal sense.
- We should deliver our product as close to our scheduled date.
- We should wait to formalize the PWG document until we get feedback from CIM Core.

Next Steps / Open Actions:

- Harry to summarize current issues and outline a definitive plan to review with in our next concall and to have Craig present at the DMTF summit.
- Ira will update his white paper after Rick comes back and Craig has met with DMTF people.
- We should start coming up to speed on WSDM requirements.