

iNtegrate Project Bulletin

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to coordinate the Nevada System of Higher Education information systems into a functioning, unified whole

Site Visits Scheduled

Representatives from each institution in NSHE will be visiting their counterparts at similar institutions across the country in October and November in order to learn more about the actual experience of implementing and using the vendors' software that has been proposed to NSHE.

Visit Date	Campus(es)	NSHE Attendees
Oct 4	Boise State University	UNLV, GBC, SA/BCN, SCS, UNR
Oct 17	Towson University	DRI, SA/BCN, UNLV, UNR
Oct 18	University of Maryland, Baltimore County and The University System of Maryland	DRI, SA/SCS, UNLV, UNR
Oct 18	George Mason University	DRI, UNLV, UNR
Oct 18	Metropolitan Community College System	CCSN, GBC, SCS, TMCC, WNCC
Oct 19	Johnson County Community College	CCSN, GBC, SCS, TMCC, WNCC
Oct 26	Snow College	CCSN, GBC, SCS
Oct 26	Cal State Poly at Pomona	CCSN, DRI, NSC, SCS, WNCC
Nov 3	Georgia Tech University System of Georgia	CCSN, DRI, SA/BCN, SA/SCS, UNLV, UNR, WNCC

The review teams have developed a set of 367 questions in 29 categories and 5 subcategories to be considered and addressed while meeting with their counterparts during the site visits.

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The Evaluation Process

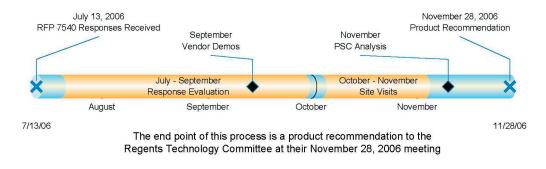
RFP #7540 included the creation of a Project Steering Committee and how the membership should be named. This committee was put into place in July and in turn put Review Teams in place as noted in Bulletin #1 and the Bulletin Organizational Structure Supplement.

The Functional Review Team has been looking very closely at the features and whether the software has everything the institutions require and if it works the way NSHE campuses need it to; the Data Integration Review Team who is looking very closely at how the different modules communicate and how data is affected from various points in the processes of using human resources, financial and student services; the Technical Review Team who is looking at what hardware will be required to make all of this run, store the data, provide proper response time and much more; the Financial Review Team who is looking at the costs involved in this undertaking and how the funding of the project will be approached; the Legal Review Team who answers various questions during the process and who are preparing for the activities once a recommendation is made and the Implementation Review Team who is addressing the model to be used.

These Review Teams have completed the first phase of the process which also included a day with each of the vendors doing demonstrations and answering their questions. Evaluations were completed up to this point.

Site visits have commenced with the first one to Boise State University having been completed. Comments from the visitors indicate the visit was quite helpful including helping participants to understand the impact such an undertaking will have, especially in the staffing area.

Once site visits are completed, each campus will "debrief" and prepare a final report to the Project Steering Committee who will take all aspects into consideration to reach a consensus to recommend a product.



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