

ORION II

Payroll COBOL/Legacy Data Meeting

September 15, 2003

9:30 – 10:30

HR Conference Room

Attendees: Debbie Stewart (HR)  
Dot Blevins (Payroll)  
Marsha DaSaro (Budget/HR Coordinator)  
Joe Malek (IT)  
Paul Freeman (FCCJ)  
Julie Rowe (SAG)  
Truc Phan (IT)  
Patrick Grayson (SAG)

Agenda:

Discuss the requirement to retain Payroll Legacy (VSAM) data on the UNIX box and to replace the Legacy COBOL inquiry application with an interface that will allow access to the same data on UNIX.

1. Scope

a. Data Requirements

- There are 3 VSAM files that contain the legacy Payroll data, these are the EP File (Employee Positions), the EA file (Employee Demographics) and the EB file (Payroll History). These are keyed by Name and SSN. Inquiry access is required to historical data when we move to UNIX. There are no updates performed on this data.

b. Coding Requirements

- Dot Provided screen shots of the COBOL application menus with the commonly used items highlighted. There are approximately 9 screens that are commonly accessed for 3 separate functions (HR, Payroll and budgeting). Attempted to ascertain how much of the data was actually used – what screens and what fields on the screens. It was decided that demo's of the three functions would be provided for Patrick to determine this. Debbie, Dot and Marsha would provide these demos at their earliest convenience.
- There is a help function available with the screen inquiry function to identify valid values etc. It is believed these are held on tables associated with the application. This help function will need to be replicated in any replacement of the screens, either as ADABAS tables or Predict data.
- Currently there is no reporting capability available for the Legacy screens. It would be fairly simple to provide this as an

option with any replacement app, provided we have a clear set of specifications.

c. Other Legacy data requirements

- Elaine had mentioned that currently Financial Users also access Legacy data via the old COBOL application. Truc Phan conveyed the message from Katherine Komarek and Darlene Pike that although they do inquire on historical Financial data right now, this will NOT be required in the future.
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2. Next Steps

Patrick Grayson will contact Debbie, Dot and Marsha to arrange for individual online demonstrations of the inquiry functions performed. Patrick will observe the demos, gather any relevant information and provide the initial specifications for the replacement application.

Patrick Grayson will provide an initial estimate to convert the VSAM files to ADABAS and to replace the COBOL Legacy screens with a Natural (CONSTRUCT) application to run on UNIX.

A checkpoint of these next steps will be taken during the weekly status meetings.