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AACRAO/EDUCAUSE/Internet2 IdM Call: Notes from 6/15/2007

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Next Call

Friday July 20 at 3:00 pm Eastern

New Action Items

- Nancy to ask staff member to follow up on transcripts exchange
- Nancy to talk to SunGard
- Nancy to duplicate use cases and case studies for the ATC Roundtable Meeting.
- Bob to write up a use case on graduate admissions
- Bob to write up a use case on enrollment verification

Previous Action Items

- Bob will contact Students Only about a f2f at the ATC meeting.
- David will follow up with Dan and Doug regarding the NSC meeting and ask about their attendance at the ATC.
- Nancy will contact Michael Sessa about possibly including NCS on EA2 and his attendance at the ATC.
- Todd will write up the CollegeNet/Application Services issue and explain the problem space

Notes

- The group briefly discussed Bob's note about student records and privacy. Nancy mentioned that the privacy-centric benefits of federated identity is indeed a bit win for the registrar community and providing mechanisms for securing and having control over what's data is shared is appealing.

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- We have three case studies so far that we can bring to the ATC.
    - Incommonfederation.org - see case studies on right
    - Symplicity case study is almost final
    - [AI] Graduate school admissions - Bob
    - [AI] Enrollment verification - Bob
    - Transcript exchange - example but not sure how it might work through the federation. [AI] Nancy will ask staff member to follow up on transcripts exchange. Tom Black from Chicago was mentioned as a possible source for this.
    - [AI] Nancy will duplicate the case studies and ship.

- Vendor Meetings
Bob is contacting Students Only. Nancy has scheduled a call with SunGard this week. Ann and David have followed up with NSC but nothing there yet. Bob/Ann mentioned that David has contacted Cathy Mueller Managing Your Future and is scheduling a call with them next week.

- Business case
Todd joined the call and we discussed the business case for vendors and campuses for federated identity:

Privacy - Sharing information between universities is different than sharing it between higher ed and fed gov or corporate organizations. Federated Identity can enable authentication and authorization of off campus resources while preserving privacy.

Collaboration - More and more people are involved in inter-institutional collaboration and need to securely share resources.

Vendors - Their solutions need to integrate with on campus infrastructures and, as our community expands beyond our institutional boundaries, they must also work across these blurred perimeters. Todd mentioned that UW has moved away from some vendors in part because of their lack of integration.

Should we approach vendors about collaborating on a pilot or just work on educating them? We could pick a simple pilot, such as a wiki. This is broadly useful, but may not capture the imagination of the registrar community.

Administrivia

The group decided on a monthly call on the third Friday of every month.
Our next call is Friday July 20 at 3:00 pm Eastern time.