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Background

Per a meeting with Ravi this summer, he has started a super advisory committee of select CIOs to help the department with "seeing at the edge".   This gives the following overall structure:

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   │  (Undergrad) │   │ (Masters' Program)│
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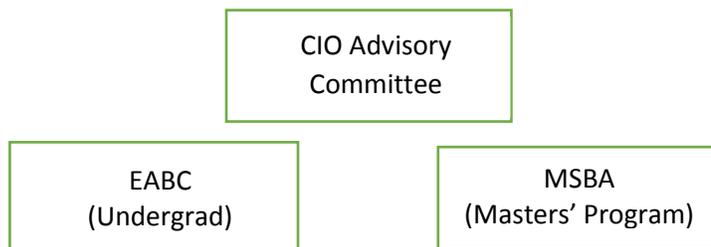
One of Ravi's concerns is that even though the Undergrad program is running like clockwork, how do we keep the program vital?

- From a curriculum perspective, what gaps do we have (like Agile project management) that we should be covering?
- How aggressively should we include/push data analytics into the undergrad program?
- How do we increase the experiential component of the undergrad program? Which courses are the right ones to incorporate an experiential component and how do we set up relationships to accomplish this?
- How do we tap the mid-sized market?
- How do we interface with the Carlson Analytics Lab?

Another aspect we need to explore is what is the career path for new grads in light of the offshoring and outsourcing companies are engaging in?

Committees

Per the committee chairs and others:

- Diversity (Jessica Sun) – while we still want to actively want to promote diversity, this is best addressed at the individual company level. We really have no way to influence at the greater university level especially when the data we need is not available. Committee disbanded.
- ERP/SAP (Paul Wellman) – with the program well established, the committee wondered if anything else was needed from them? Committee possibly disbanded with periodic SAP updates provided.
- Curriculum (Todd Loncorich) – with the thorough review of last year, their question is "what's next?"
- CoMIS (Tim Boos) – ongoing support of the program

So, what committees should we have for 2015-16 to address the questions brought up by Ravi and to best support the IDSc Undergrad Program?

New Members

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We have been approach by Zach Silverman who would like to join the EABC. Application attached. We can have up to 15 members (currently at 13 non University members). The question is more than can Zach join; it also includes what should board demographics be (companies, age, gender, etc.) and membership expectations. A copy of our governance document is also attached.

Other topics that we should cover?

Please send to Mary Texer (mary.texer@bluecrossmn.com) by end of day Wednesday, August 12th.

Proposed 2015-16 Meeting Dates:
September 21, 2015
December 7, 2015
February 1, 2016
April 18, 2016

All meetings would be from 7:00 to 8:30 at the Carlson School in Hanson Hall 2-250.