

PWG WIMS/CIM Alignment Conference Call Minutes August 25, 2008

Attendees

Rick Landau	Dell
Ira MacDonald	High North Inc.
Glen Petrie	Epson
Bill Wagner	TIC
Pete Zehler	Xerox

General

- Meeting was convened at 11:00 EDT on 25 August
- The Camus Face-to-Face Minutes, as revised and posted, were approved.

Counter CRs

- The remaining two counter CR were submitted and, pending a correction, may be put to ballot this Friday (Aug 29). A problem was discovered in the MIB source reference both in these CRs and in the previously approved counter CRs. (Corrections have been made with the updated MOFs posted at <ftp://ftp.pwg.org/pub/pwg/wims/cim/mofinput/ira-20080825.zip>). An errata will be necessary this error in the CR already approved.

CIM provider Progress

- Rick reported slow but continuing progress on the CIM provider prototype. He asked for assistance in assembling instances of the classes, essentially a property name to OID correlation for supported Printer MIB and Finisher MIB objects.
- Rick would indicate desired format for this and for MIB walk information.

Discussion on Incentives for Web-Based Management of Imaging Devices

Continuing the brainstorming started at the Camus Face-to-Face, various approaches to increasing awareness of advantages and, with the Printing CIM efforts, the availability of web services based access for management/monitoring of hardcopy imaging devices were discussed.

- In addition to the "Green" theme previous suggested, the following line of reasoning was pursued.
 - Who would benefit from WS management?
 - Customers
 - OS vendors
 - ISV's
 - Within these organizations, who would most readily understand and appreciate the benefit?
 - Developers at ISV's

- How to reach them, with what?
 - Invite to join WG
 - Provide sample architecture
- Continue to evangelize at printer companies
- Add new, desired management elements to CIM, such as power control (capitalize on Microsoft interest)
- Proceed with Printer Profile so that network printer becomes WS manageable device as to establish basis for MFD.

Next Steps Issues/ Action Items

- Rick and Ira to resolve Counter MOF/CR problem
- Rick to provide information or information, format desired from volunteers
- Bill to start WS Business Rational discussion on Wiki
- Next WIMS/CIM conference call at 11 EDT, 8 September

Bill Wagner