

Semantic Model Face-to-Face Minutes

April 26, 2012

Meeting was called to order at approximately 9:00am local on April 26, 2012.

Attendees

Danny Brennan (GTS)
Russell Brudnicki (Kyocera)
Nancy Chen (Oki Data)
Shane Lin (Monotype)
Till Kamppeter (Canonical/OpenPrinting)
Ira McDonald (High North/Samsung)
Peter Mikalac (Shinesoft)
Joe Murdock (Sharp)
Naruhiko Ogasawara (Independent)
Glen Petrie (Epson)
Robert Shibata (Thinstream)
Michael Sweet (Apple)
Anil Thakkar (Thinstream)
Jerry Thrasher (Lexmark)
Larry Upthegrove (End-user - call-in)
Bill Wagner (TIC)
Jay Wang (Toshiba)
David Williams (Ricoh)
Rick Yardumian (Canon)
Peter Zehler (Xerox)

Agenda Items

1. IP Policy and Minute Taker
 - a. Policy accepted with Mike taking the minutes
2. Status
 - a. New PWG Namespace Registry on SM web page
 - also added to main PWG home page
3. Named Transforms
 - a. Format of names is a keyword:
 - verb-noun-noun for PWG standard named transforms
 - com.example.verb-noun-noun for vendor named transforms
 - Provide vendor registry on pwg.org (like we do for Vendor IPP operations)
 - Also register vendor names in IANA IPP registry with pointer to transform spec
 - Link to PWG registry in transform spec
 - Include ABNF for names
 - b. Collate
 - collate-manual-two-sided-pages
 - collate-split-color-mono-pages
 - collate-split-by-media-type
 - Drop "-type"
 - c. Convert
 - convert-document
 - also thumbnail generation
 - convert-job-ticket
 - convert-localized-document
 - convert-secure-document
 - Encrypt and/or sign
 - Embeds any user security ticket information used in the job creation
 - d. Extract
 - extract-evaluation
 - Looking for keywords or other content
 - extract-images

- extract-ocr
 - extract-metrics (preflight)
 - Generates metrics - color/black pages, coverage, time to process, etc.
 - Cost is computed in client software using metrics returned in the job receipt for the transform job
 - Q: Isn't this print with 0 copies and follow with resubmit?
 - A: Yes, but there are implementation concerns (bandwidth, etc.)
 - Also, job can be saved in transform service and then resubmit for convert
 - extract-metadata
 - extract-signature
 - Cryptographic signature of document
 - Uses any user security ticket information used in the job creation
 - extract-summary
 - extract-searchable-document
- e. Image
- image-monochrome
 - image-red-eye-removal
 - image-down-sampled
 - image-color-space
 - com.example.image-half-tone
 - Halftoning and other special effects (not for a PWG standard transform, but an example)
- f. Imposition
- impose-number-up
 - impose-redaction
 - impose-Watermark
 - Includes written signatures, logos, other letterhead kinds of things
 - Variable data printing examples (not standardized)
- g. Other
- other-unforseen-transform
- h. Example Vendor named transform (implies "application/")
- com.vendor.our-transform
- i. Document Management Stuff?
- Validation of format/content
 - Examination to look for confidential information
- j. Q: Why have names if we don't define the input/output?
- A: Define some named transforms with input/output, additional ones we don't define can be listed as examples for each class/category with vnd.example-foo names
- k. Q: Security category?
- Adds requirement for audit logs, etc?
 - A: No, just cover in convert and extract classes
4. Lifecycle of named transform
- a. Capability of service
- b. Q: Do we need "ready" transforms?
- A: No, transforms are configured and availability due to resource constraints can be handled using existing "server busy" errors and queuing of transforms until resources are available
 - Multiple transform jobs can run simultaneously - implementation deals with resource contention (e.g. hardware acceleration of N transforms)
5. Cost attribute?
- a. Uses:
- "Shopping" for transforms of a given type (find the best)
 - Billing of transform services (need metrics)
- b. Lots of variables
- bandwidth, memory, cpu, etc.
- c. X per unit time? or an arbitrary scoring value?
- d. pages-per-minute/-color, but nothing for images-per-minute
- Static or dynamic?
 - Dynamic keeps a running average since last power-cycle (and perhaps for life - implementation defined)
 - Need both
 - Per-transform hundredths-of-images-per-minute (consumed images per minute)?

- e. Some transforms are better characterized by bytes per second or other criteria
 - Each transform defines a "performance"/"figure of merit"/"score" number, its units, and its usage
 - MUST define numbers such that bigger is better
 - About the same level of guidance as pages-per-minute
 - So also include running, weighted average
 - Also need a property in the job receipt that includes the number calculated for that job
 - Will be needed for accounting
- f. Focus on metrics for accounting, don't bother with cost comparison
 - Counter MIB has additional properties, could be added to job receipt
 - Identify which counter properties apply for each transform
 - Also include total counter values on a per transform basis

Next Steps / Open Actions

- Next conference call May 17, 2012 at 3pm (ET)
- Talk about leveraging "off box" (external) transforms - management, discovery
- Work on Transform Service
- Schema updates
- Prototyping of transform services