Banner 8 Technical Meeting – February 16, 2010


- Refresh to UBN8
  - Q: (Kim) Why did the original plan of PBAN to PBN8 not work? Was it due to Scholar Dollar? A: (Bruce E) We will wait for Paul to answer this
  - New plan is to do PBAN to PBN8 to DBAN to UBN8
  - Q: (Jesus) What will DBAN be called? It was suggested to be named DBAN8, but not decided on it. DBAN should be available sometime next week per Bruce E.
  - Q: (Bruce S.) Where is UBN8 now? Can Pamela test? A: (Paul) No, not yet. I spoke to Pamela this morning and testing is pushed back for her
  - Siiri’s stuff is also pushed back. Per Paul, Siiri is not ready for testing yet and did not speak to her regarding the delay
  - Paul is running into issues with Patches and the order that they have been applied – SR has been opened

- Appworx/ODS/Banner – Olga
  - Done with Appworx testing
  - HED
    - There are no special characters sent via this process
    - Olga doesn’t think it’s a problem. Ray tested and everything is fine
  - ERB
    - Cecil’s done with his testing. File sent to Pamela and she doesn’t want to test until after the clone
    - Olga feels that everything should be fine because the process has not changed
    - Won’t really know until the file is sent to Santa Fe. Extracts are not having data loss per Mrinal
  - Q: (Alex) So everything’s fine? A: (Olga) Yes, we’re fine. We didn’t know what issues UNM had seen

- Xtender Upgrade – Dudley
  - Q: (Dudley) Where is UBN8? A: (Paul) Still working on the patches
  - Tested all inputs in Xtender per Dudley
  - Q: (Mrinal) How long will it take to finish automation? A: (Paul) Don’t know, maybe we can get Dudley going by tomorrow
  - We will have another chance to run through the Xtender upgrade again per Dudley

- Accounts/Workflow – Rich
Matyas is going over the code for Accounts and will have a test plan by next Monday
Workflow is going OK for now

Luminis Update – Mrinal
- We have figured out the single sign-on problem
- Luminis and WebTailor have to be synchronized with same password. John is assigned on this effort. We need this in order for Banner Channels to show up right
- We need to have the configs ready for Go-Live and put back them back in Production

E-Hire/Workflow/E-Learning – Crystal
- Will be signing off on E-Learning
- Will need sign-off from HR for E-Hire
- Q: (Alex) Who’s doing the testing for E-Hire? A: (Crystal) HR
- SES
  - Q: (Mrinal) SES, does not talk to UBN8. Some schemas may not get moved over, correct? A: (Bruce E.) Not sure if they are not there anymore
  - There are no external tables in SES per Mrinal. Although Bruce E. says there is one table out there
  - Mrinal said it is not a problem. Kit will send a list to Mrinal about this
  - Q: (Crystal) Is there an SES development? A: (Mrinal) We can submit the file manually for now to mimic the feed from Banner to SES in UBN8
  - Crystal does not know how to run this. Mrinal says to find a requisition and process that in SES
  - The restore of Workflow may affect the SES testing. Crystal feels that with Payroll 1 testing, there were SES transactions that were tested

FIN2 Error – Alex
- This is now working as a result of the Job Capture feature being turned off
- We need to run this process in the sequence that was discussed earlier and have Pamela retest

BAN_default_nmsu_q Role – Bruce E.
- There are new schemas with new tables being developed now in Banner 7
- But we need to address this in Banner 8. Enrique can create the grants beforehand and the program needs to be changed to know of this
- Anything that Banner touches like Workflow, Xtender, etc. needs to be looked at. Jesus will ask Enrique to address this
- Any special security to Banner tables will be addressed at a separate meeting

NLS LANG Setting – Bruce E.
- The default date format has 2 digits
- If we change the global parameter in the Database, it will affect all the programs
Q: (Bruce E) Where are the dates coming from? A: (Mrinal) A C program is passing the date from a date function. Clients are C programs, SQL Plus, and Forms/Extract Data, E-Print, etc.

Q: (Scott) What changed between 7 and 8? A: (Jesus) The NLS Lang changes were not available or used in Banner 7

Only new programs are calling the function. We don’t feel it’s a good idea to change this at the profile level per Scott

Language is on ora-env, which calls ban-env

The complete list of Clients per Mrinal are:
- C programs
- SQL Plus
- Forms – Extract data
- UNIX programs – Appworx
- SAS / External Systems

Job Capture was setting it to 2 digits

Interface programs to other vendors – characters set to NLS LANG variables where Oracle would change via conversion

Solution → run ban-env prior to C program, etc, per Mrinal

We need to address the SAS programs that Candie runs. We want to be sure that they run without the ñ. Mrinal will take care of this or contact Candie Guzie

Sequence for fix:
- Lynne to take out what’s there from the profile
- Add to ban-env – format with ‘RRRR’
- Have Pamela retest and send to E-Print
- Q: (Bruce E) Will the App Server need to be changed? A: (Mrinal) No, only on the Database server
- Mrinal has asked Jesus to make sure that the extracts work
- Have Kathy test again now. If it doesn’t work, then we will do the ban-env change

- Upgrade Automation – Paul
  - Going pretty well – stuff done in January is complete
  - Up to 97 upgrades and patches
  - We will need a name change in about 9.5 hours for Go Live per Paul. This will be needed about 5 weeks from now
    - Someone in the USA team needs to be available during this time
    - Curtis said USA will be available for this