Electronic Real Estate Recording task Force
Technology Subcommittee
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Present: David Arbeit, Paul Backes, Carmen Bramante (via telephone), Bert Black, Jeff Carlson, Marty Hentschel, Bob Horton, John Jones (via telephone), Scott Loomer, Beth McInerny, Bill Mori.

Call to order

Bill Mori called the meeting to order at 1.40.

Name tags and structure issues

BenNevis sent 24 questions relating to these topics to John Jones for review after the last meeting. The answers were sent, but not yet received or analyzed. The agreed upon hierarchy for resolving name tag questions is first to look at PRIA standards, then MISMO and finally Minnesota.

Intellectual property

Intellectual property questions are under review by Bert Black and the Attorney General's Office. They are not yet ready to make any recommendations.

Implementation

After reviewing and analyzing the responses from John Jones to the questions noted earlier, BenNevis will draft a written recommendation to the Task Force to accept both DTDs and schemas as valid options in the pilot testing. They will also report the status of work on naming convention issues with the national groups.

David Arbeit suggested a revision of the minutes of the telephone conference. Where "data mapping" is mentioned, it should be clarified that this refers to whatever "user friendly" names a records creator wants to use on a data entry screen. The records creator has to map these to the standard names specified by the Task Force and submit the data using the standard names.

Implementation guide

The subcommittee agreed that there should be three products at the end of the pilots: 1) a revised set of standards; 2) an implementation guide; and 3) a report on best practices. Item (3) will focus on examples, experiences and lessons learned during the implementation for the pilots, addressing the various policy and practical questions that come up in the counties and among the trusted submitters. As part of this, the Task Force should try to capture data about specific results, costs and benefits, measured against the 37 questions noted in the original work plan and against the status quo of paper recording practices. BenNevis's cost/benefit analysis will feed into this. The development of these products should probably be the responsibility of BenNevis

working with the standard maintenance committee. Bert Black offered to assist BenNevis with recommendations on the Implementation Guide.   This recommendation should be presented to the Task Force as a whole.

Version control application

Gabe Minton has promised to send an application for managing versions of the standards; this is a software program that MISMO has a license to use and distribute. Bill Mori will contact him about the status of this.

Recommendations to the Task Force

BenNevis will draft the recommendations described above. Bill Mori noted for the record that there was unanimous support for these among the committee members.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2.30.