# BI Community of Practice

## Minutes for 5/13/2016

Location

KPB 133H and Video Conference

### In attendance

* Jay Eckles (co-chair)
* Dennis Hengstler (co-chair)
* Denise Haley (Training & Support subcommittee chair)
* Ed Johnson (Tools subcommittee chair)
* Allen Dupont (Policy, Standards, and Definitions subcommittee chair)
* Mozhgan Shahidi (scribe)
* Denise Gardner
* Steven Robertson
* Kriss Gabourel
* Kristen Noblit
* Desiree McCullough
* Shawn Bryan
* Mark Savage
* John Toman
* Scott Gordy
* Lisa Ford

### Absent

* Les Mathews
* Jeanne Hermann
* Tom Hoover
* Ron Loewen (Resources subcommittee chair)
* Mike Ebbs
* Janice Hodge

### Agenda

1. Discussion of recommendations for BI platform

### Minutes

Jay Eckles called the meeting to order at approximately 3:05 PM eastern time.

#### Discussion of recommendations for BI platform

Dr. Eckles and Dennis Hengstler presented for the BI CoP’s consideration a set of recommendations for a platform for business intelligence for UTSA.

Dr. Eckles presented the results of a prototype exercise with Microsoft SQL Server 2016 and PowerBI. He and Dr. Hengstler presented arguments for using Microsoft SQL Server, iData Data Cookbook, Microsoft PowerBI, and Microsoft SQL Server Reporting Services as the primary components of a UTSA BI platform. These tools would be the primary tools for the system. The tools will be available to campuses, but campuses will not be required to use them. Other tools preferred by campuses may integrate with this platform but would not be supported by the UTSA ITS BI team.

A preliminary budget and timeline, including options for training, were discussed as a part of the recommendations.

The recommendations were approved by consensus.

Drs. Eckles and Hengstler will present the BI CoP’s recommendation to the president’s cabinet on Monday, May 16.

Dr. Eckles concluded the meeting at approximately 3:45 PM.