

Core Technology Services

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TO: Members of the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education
Members of the Legislative IT Committee
Legislative Council

RE: Large Project Summary Report

Greetings,

This is the Large Project Summary Report for the period ending March 31, 2019.

No projects were completed this quarter.

Project	Budget Status	Schedule Status

One project was reported in the planning stage this quarter.

Project	Status
Academic Library Management System	

Three projects were in the execution phase this quarter.

Project	Status
<p>Novelution (Electronic Grants Administration) This project is to deploy a modular based electronic Grants Administration application. UND intends to deploy 3 modules, NDSU intends to deploy 6.</p>	<p>The overall status is Yellow. The project is under budget (49.3%) and is running behind schedule on the revised baseline by 24.7%. The budget is due to the contract being deliverable-based and since the project did not deploy on schedule, no payment has been made yet. As an LPO Analyst I am concerned with this project with the continued slippage of schedule and significant change orders. I have included an LPO Report with more details.</p>
<p>Blackboard Learning Management System This is the system wide deployment of the Blackboard LMS.</p>	<p>The overall status is Green. The project is under budget (2.2%) and is running ahead of schedule on the revised baseline by 0.3%. NDSU on track to go live in the Summer 2019 term. MaSU will also have all courses for the Summer term live on Blackboard. The main reason for the budget savings was many campuses chose online training instead of on-site saving the project travel costs. Grades integration (the ability to push final grades back to Campus Solutions) is live on 10 of the 11 campuses with NDSU testing the process. Seven of 11 campuses have begun the process of deploying Ally, the Blackboard accessibility tool.</p>

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<p>FAMIS Cloud Upgrade</p> <p>This project will transition from on the on-premises version of Accruent's FAMIS application to the implementation of a SaaS version. This is the facilities management application used by five campuses.</p>	<p>The overall status is Green. The project is over budget (0.6%) and is running behind schedule (2.1%). The Project Center module went live this quarter. Most of the Phase 2 modules completed UAT and training. There were three main challenges that has caused the project to slip schedule some. The data structure in the cloud environment did not allow the team to build a detailed billing report using the tools available. Ultimately, an analytics tool by the vendor is expected to be able to create a satisfactory report. The second challenge has been the Utilities module. This is now scheduled to go live in early July. The final challenge is the keys module. Campuses using this (2) note that functionality they need is not yet available in the cloud version. Most of this is scheduled to be released in October by the vendor.</p>
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