

# CSG Recalibration Meeting Report

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# Background

- CSG - Common Solutions Group, representing IT organizations of ~25 major universities
- CSG, along with Mellon Foundation, funded OSAF in 2003 for total of \$3M to develop “Westwood” version of Chandler

# Why Recalibrate?

- Annual funding renewal cycle - about to enter third and final year
- Many changes since 2003
- Concerns raised at last Westwood Advisory council meeting

# Chandler/Westwood: Then (2003) and Now (2005)

- Sharing architecture: peer-to-peer
- Calendar protocol: CAP (unimplemented)
- No server project at OSAF
- No web client at OSAF
- Westwood fall 2005
- WebDAV-based Client-Server
- CalDAV (many implementations in progress)
- Cosmo
- Scooby
- Kibble for 2006

# Concerns

- “Where’s my software, dude?”
- “Are we still friends?”

# Summary of Outcomes

- Some disappointment OSAF will not deliver a Westwood in 2006 to replace their production-level Oracle calendar system.
- Ultimately, it does not appear CSG concerns foreshadow reduction of overall commitment to the project.
- Much progress made in meeting getting concrete about desired activities and deliverables
- OSAF will present at September CSG meeting at CMU.

# What's Valuable: Product

- Progress towards production enterprise system
  - Credible progress matters a lot per se
  - Interoperability with Oracle calendar server (via CalDAV) is a substantial win
  - Working code leverages with enterprise vendors
- “Green field” applications of OSAF software
  - “New world” PIM
  - Extending scheduling functionality to students
  - Integration with course management systems
  - Integration with uPortal via JSR-168

# Other Sources of Value

- Progress in open calendar and scheduling standards - VERY BIG
- Experience integrating open source with existing university IT infrastructure, e.g., LDAP
- Experience with joint funding of projects and collaborative development
- Developing open standards-based strategy to support mobile devices

# OSAF Commitments

- Regular “management-level” reporting to CSG
- Integrated Chandler/Westwood product planning
  - Develop “stickies” for Westwood projects and use dot release planning methodology
  - Consult with CSG in 0.7 and subsequent dot release product planning cycles
    - Scheduling, part 1
    - Authentication
- Follow up TBD re: uPortal and Sakai integration project - Cosmo?
- Explore community contribution aspect