

# **PWG WIMS CIM Alignment**

## **Conference Call Minutes**

### **July 14, 2008**

Meeting was called to order at approximately 11 am EST, June 14, 2008.

### **Attendees**

Bill Wagner	Konica-Minolta
Ira McDonald	High North
Rick Landau	Dell
Craig Whittle	Sharp
Dave Whitehead	Lexmark
Nancy Chen	Okidata

### **General Discussion**

- ❖ Minutes from the previous teleconference were accepted (see [ftp://ftp.pwg.org/pub/pwg/wims/minutes/cim-wims\\_080707.pdf](ftp://ftp.pwg.org/pub/pwg/wims/minutes/cim-wims_080707.pdf)) were approved.
- ❖ Review of MIB CIM conversions.
  - Mapping string length may be an issue (overflow?). Rick / Ira will check offline to see what MOF pretty does with a long string.
  - Base class includes config changes. Do we still want to include this? Consensus: put it in CIM Printer and monitor classes. This is useful for CIM providers that are polling for changes to the classes. Description should be clear with some examples.
  - Should there be a timestamp (TOD or counter) with the counters? Consensus: leave it out; it's a new property (we are not defining new properties).
- ❖ Rick has an extractor tool to pull out mapping strings as a setup in creating a prototype implementation
  - Need for inherited properties will need to be hand edited
  - Mapping strings are filled with TC's which will need to be removed.

- ❖ Nancy concerned about Microsoft's support for printer management. Ira believes that MS will support CIM Printer but not the complete semantic model.
  - PWG strategy should not be dependant on the MS strategy.
  - CIM Printer has not been useful until the most recent changes.
  - CIM was brought to the DMTF and is widely used by MS and other vendors.
  - Nancy will send e-mail MS to get a better understanding of their directions.
  - Open Printing Team not likely to take on a CIM provider effort.
  - Bill suggested a diagram showing how the CIM Provider would sit within an overall management structure. This will be presented in the next face-to-face meeting.

### **Next Steps / Open Actions:**

- Nancy will send e-mail MS to get a better understanding of their directions.
- Bill suggested a diagram showing how the CIM Provider would sit within an overall management structure. Rick to take this on.
- Next teleconference in two weeks.