

PMO SIG April 2016 Meeting Summary

Introductions

SIG attendees introduced themselves briefly

Member Discussion Topic: Project Sustainability

How do we incorporate long-term thinking into Projects and Teams?

Business Goals

- Tracking against the business goals in the Charter
- If the project team moves on after the project, who is accountable for whether the business goals are met months later?
- Tools for project controls and measurements are critical to maintain a baseline for evaluation and future projects

Institutional Knowledge Sustainability

- Project tracking has the specific deliverables for the project – how do we maintain and update the latest product documentation – how the entire product is supposed to work?
- Organize the Build/Development functions and the Run/Operational functions
 - Knowledge transferred processes are needed between functions
 - Knowledge needs to be part of a repository for sustainability
 - Some organizations maintain product white papers
- Smaller organizations – everyone knows everything
 - Larger Organizations – tendency to specialize/islands of expertise
- Internal organization knowledge is critical to be maintained during outsourcing – part of SoW to have KT, documentation and other Intellectual Property assets

PMO Organizations

- Need to use the right people to do the job
- PMO PMs are sometimes more Project Administrators than Project Managers/Leaders

Next Meeting

Next meeting is in May

PMO SIG Future Discussion Topics to Consider

- How to sell the right portfolio
- How to be heard when more senior people are providing direction
- Types of Charters
- Using BAs in PMO Models
- How to attract PMs to a PMO
- Value of the PMBOK
- Relevance of PMO in the future

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