

# Calendaring & Event Calendaring

- We focused on personal calendaring versus event calendaring
- **We** didn't find an opportunity for a conventional shared service, but there is definitely a community interoperability problem to solve, which lends itself to collective action.
- We think the shared service may be \*integration\* and/or requirements definition.

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- Terry's dilemma: how to schedule a meeting when even on the same campus some folks are in an Exchange world, and others in GCal. Not to mention the opportunity to foster scheduling across institutions and even with broader communities.
- Broader issues:
  - device interoperability (leave to vendors)
  - community interoperability (tech and policy barriers)
  - collaboration tool interoperability (e.g. with VOIP, etc)
- Technical issues:
  - calendar data formats (CalConnect focus: ical)
  - calendar data access protocol (CalConnect focus: caldav)
  - calendar discovery protocol (for use by humans or computers)
  - extended directory schema that includes cal location
  - selective access control

- Approaches  
build/operate calendar bridge service  
specify requirements; get key vendors to embrace
- Action options:  
Find sponsor for workshop  
Spin-up consortial entity  
One campus hosts a meeting  
Alliance with government  
Alliance with e.g. Burton Group  
Honest broker role w.r.t. Microsoft & Google

- Is this another Chandler? No... we're not talking about delivering a product --though it might imply everyone running some kind of registry or finder service. If we fail to engage the key vendors, we might have to fall back to a calendar bridge model, which might be a candidate shared service.