Network Workgroup
Network Workgroup Goals

• Develop a comprehensive strategy for the network for Harvard University and community
  – baseline current state
  – create vision of the future network
  – outline future direction for the organization, processes, technology

• Build a multi-year plan on how to achieve that future network
  – understand major workstreams
  – revised financial models
  – staffing and organizational changes

• Develop a revised FY15 plan that starts us in the right direction
  – FY15 plans already underway and rates set
  – rationalize investments and plans against new strategy
Network Workgroup: Scoping and Organizing the Effort

• “The network” really covers a vast array of technologies, services, and customers -- managed by HUIT, college IT departments, providers, end-users, etc.
  • strategy and vision should be informed of this diversity without getting bogged down in it
  • need a way to scope and organize the sprawl
• We have defined a series of swim lanes or service categories for the workgroup to use:
  • division of labor amongst workgroup members
  • grouping of like services and infrastructure elements
  • potential future workstreams for roadmap
Network Workgroup Progress: Parallel Tracks for Discovery

• Workgroup members divided up to work on swim lanes in parallel, regularly reporting back on efforts and progress
  • current state discovery
  • identification of problems and opportunities
  • initial cut at future direction for each major service area

• Swim Lanes:

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Network Workgroup Progress: Last 7 Days

• **Current State:**
  - workgroup only started 3 weeks ago
  - not quite as far along as the other HUIT workgroups
  - currently working on a draft of the vision for network strategy
  - currently working on discovery for current state description of the major service areas/swim lanes