

**eUMB GO-LIVE DATE IS OFFICIAL**

The Executive Committee has set December 1 as the official “go live” date for the Financials/Grants modules of eUMB. This determination was based on three prior strategic decisions:

1. All essential reporting capabilities will be delivered on Day 1.
  - a. This includes all Central Office Reports needed to manage processes
  - b. This includes RAVEN, which, among other things will provide:
    - i. Separate Grants page which allows
      1. Project-Year-to-Date Reporting
      2. Project-Inception-to-Date Reporting
      3. Project Fiscal Year Reporting
    - ii. Separate Deliverable Based Contract Page
2. Request For Payment Will Be Automated
  - a. This currently represents 53% of the checks cut in Accounts Payable
  - b. New system will be entirely electronic
    - i. Request will be an eUMB Page
    - ii. Approval will be electronic
    - iii. Routing will be electronic with Workflow
3. A Four Month Window for User Acceptance Testing Will Be Assured
  - a. “Vanilla” System Testing Will Begin No Later Than April 1
  - b. Integrated System Testing will begin over the summer
  - c. User Acceptance Testing will begin in August

In order to ensure that all of these decisions can be executed successfully, it has been determined that the optimum “Go-Live” date for the project will be December 1, 2005.

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SUBJECT: Financials and Grants Project

Over the past month or so, the Executive Committee has reviewed a great deal of information about the project and its status. After consulting with many individuals including the Project Team, it was determined that December 1, 2005 was a very realistic date for meeting our goal of developing a quality product and delivering it to the campus as soon as possible.

December 1, 2005 is therefore the "go live" date for the project.

The design phase is nearly complete and the technical staff is building the enhancements that will make this system meet the unique requirements of UMB. By late summer, functional experts will begin an extensive testing program to ensure that the system performs as designed. Fall will be devoted to further testing and then to fully training each campus user in any assigned role in the new system.