
Program Management Systems Committee

Program Management Outreach Working Group

January 2012 Status Report

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PM Outreach Working Group Charter

Mission: Broaden the focus and membership of the PMSC to influence acquisition policy and share best practices among program management professionals.

Objectives:

- **Modify PMSC charter and objectives to reflect broader focus.**
- **Promote the formation of additional PMSC working groups to address a range of topics essential to successful program execution.**
- **Initiate a campaign to increase program manager participation in PMSC.**

Objective #1: Modify PMSC charter and objectives

PMSC charter & objectives modified to reflect broader focus

Committee Objectives (Requested by PM Outreach)

2.1 Broad objectives

- a. Serve as an effective vehicle for the exchange of views and information between government and industry regarding matters of common concern that involve ~~earned value management and related integrated program management processes~~ including earned value management.
- b. Foster mutual understanding and effective working relationships between government and industry regarding the development ~~and maintenance of the ANSI/EIA 748 Standard and the related documents defining~~, documentation and maintenance of effective integrated program management processes.

2.2 Specific objectives

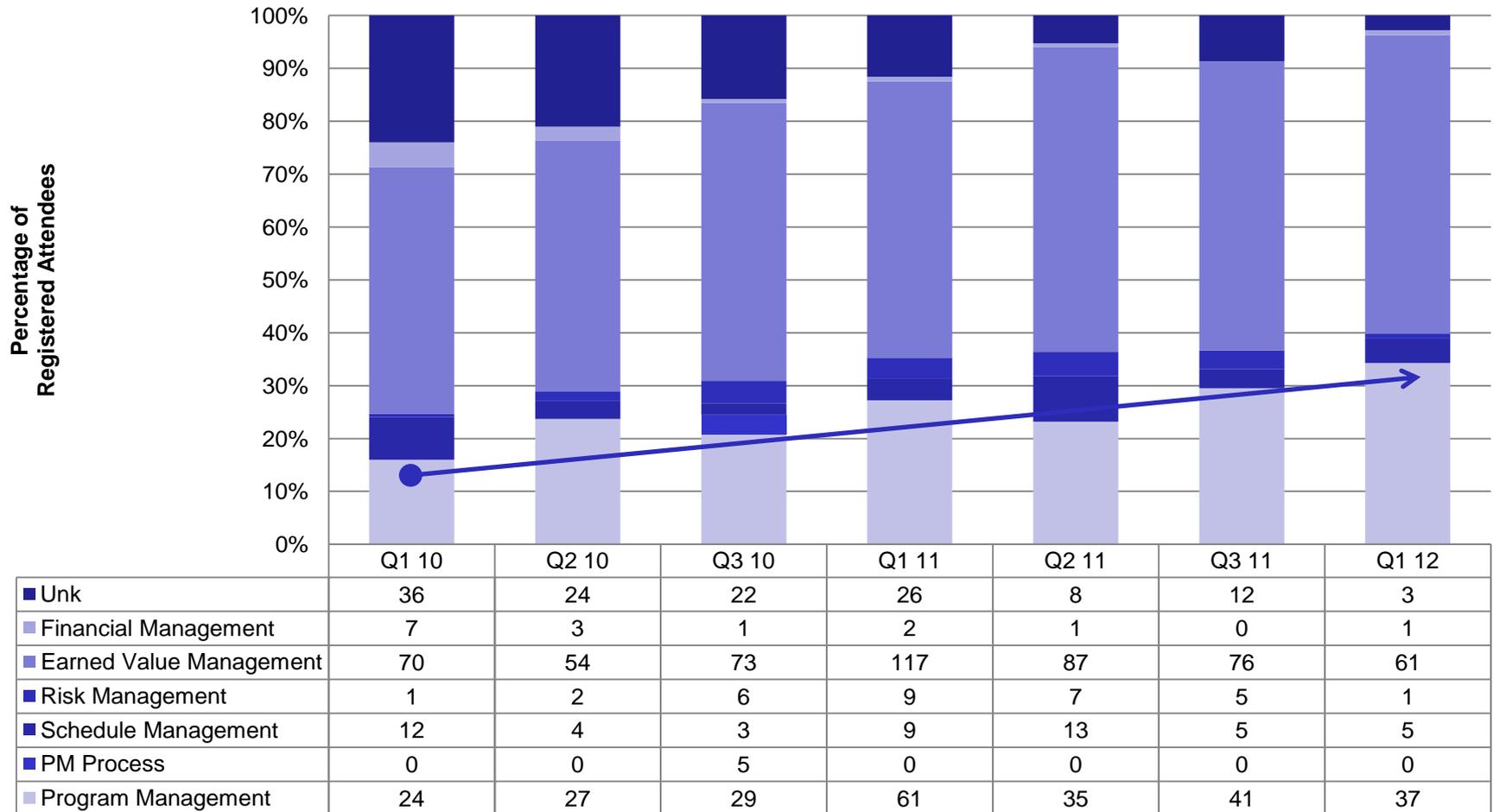
- b. Develop/create NDIA PMSC Guides for use by both Industry and Government Agencies to further best practices and development of their Program Management policies and procedures.
- c. Work jointly and in a cooperative environment with government to resolve common issues related to improving ~~the implementation and use of EVM~~ integrated program management practices.
- d. Work with the educational institutions in the United States and international counterparts to foster the development of curricula to advance EVM and related ~~integrated~~ program management process disciplines.

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Objective #3: Increase PM Participation in PMSC



Participation has sustained growth from ~15% to ~35% with PM Focus



Accomplishments – *since August meeting*

- **IPM 2011 Participation**

- **NDIA Booth**

- **Provided NDIA PMSC Material**
- **17 Participants signed in indicating PMSC Interest**
- **Follow Ups / Invitation sent in November, inviting to January Conference**



- **Workshop: What does “Integrated Program Management (IPM)” Mean To You?**

- **Discussion of NDIA PMSC Definition and LinkedIn Suggestions**
- **Feedback provided to Board**



Accomplishments – *since August meeting*

- **Migration to NDIA SharePoint Collaboration Site**
 - <http://committees.ndia.org>
 - Thanks to Barbara Phillips and L3 for data migration from prior site!

- **For further discussion:**
 - LinkedIn Group Evolution
 - New Attendee Follow Up Conversations

PMSC LinkedIn Group Update

Goals for the NDIA PMSC Linked-In Group:

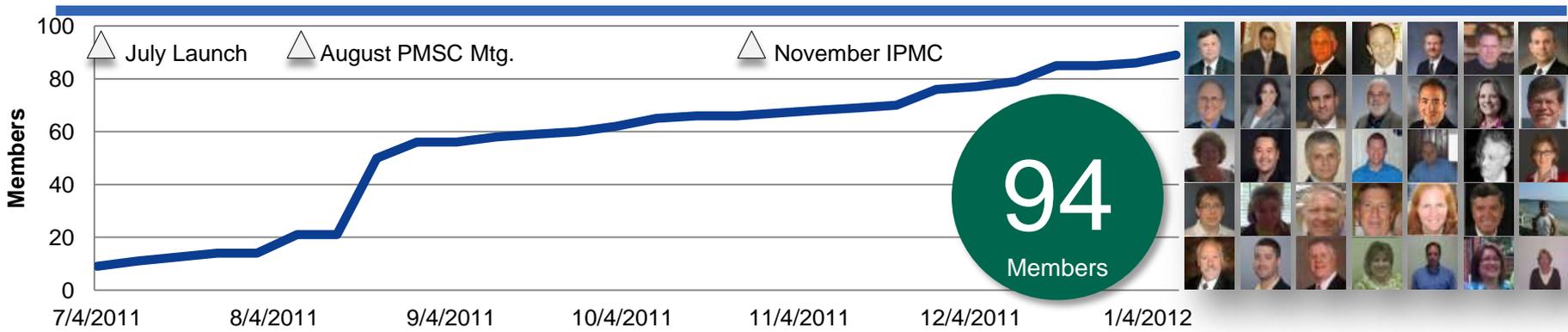
- Increase awareness of NDIA PMSC within the professional community.
- Communication of NDIA PMSC mission, strategic plan and work efforts.
- Create a venue for discussion of appropriate topics, including work products, best practices, mentoring and event notices.
- Build a topic-based Group for Integrated Program Management professionals.

Metrics - Evaluate effectiveness of site after 9 months based on following:

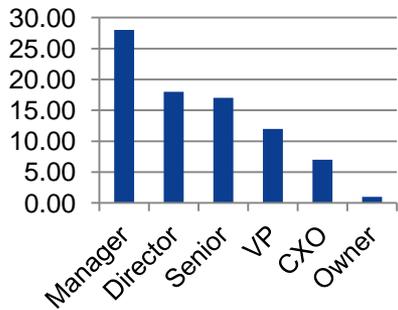
- Number of LinkedIn Group Members. (e.g. >100 members)
- Number of discussions.
- Feedback from LinkedIn Group Members as to whether they felt this was better communication and if they felt more informed of PMSC activities.
- Accelerated completion of 2-4 work activities within the Group; determination of planned completion vs. actual completion. Feedback from members as to whether LinkedIn Group facilitated activity completion.

How well have we been doing?

PMSC LinkedIn Group Evolution



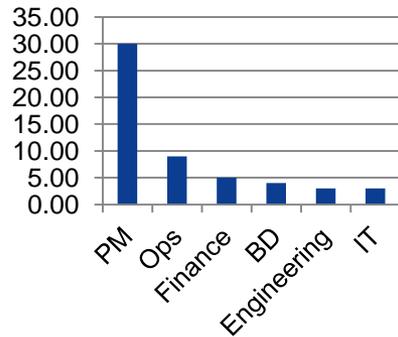
Seniority



31%

Manager

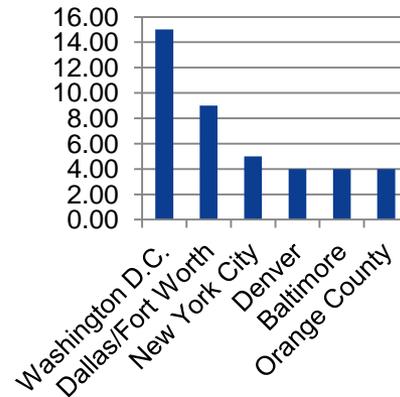
Function



34%

Program and Project Management

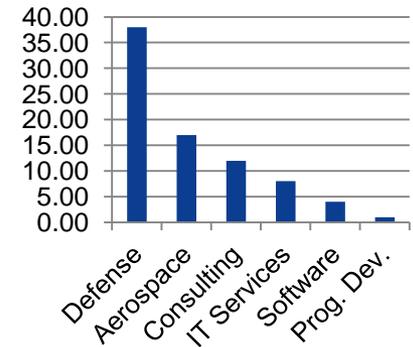
Metro Area



17%

Washington D.C. Metro Area

Industry



43%

Defense & Space

PMSC LinkedIn Group Discussions

Most Popular Discussions

Details of (and registration for) the next PMSC meeting on January 23-24 in CA are available on the PMSC site – www.ndia.org/pmsc. I...
posted 7 days ago • 0 replies

Attending 4 (20%)

Not attending – was not aware 4 (20%)

Not attending – no budget 1 (5%)

Not attending – conflict 2 (10%)

Not attending – no interest 4 (20%)

What is the definition of Integrated Program Management (IPM)? What is included? What is not included? I have started a new discussion on this topic per Dave Johnson's request: Seems like we are trying to define Integrated Program ...
posted 11 months ago

Wolf Altman 11 months ago -- At the 23rd Annual IPMC held in November, the PM Outreach Working Group led a discussion on "What does Integrated Program Management (IPM) ..."

See all 8 comments

Increasing PM Participation in the PMSC
 The PMSC Membership Survey (that I participated in reviewing and analyzing) will be presented at the August PMSC meeting in DC. One ...
posted 6 months ago

Dave Johnson 6 months ago • Edited • Looking ahead at registered participants for the January PMSC meeting, participation has sustained growth from ~15% ...

See all 8 comments

What Program Management topics are you interested in hearing about or would you like to discuss at future NDIA PMSC meetings?
posted 9 months ago

David Haleit, Ph.D. 9 months ago • Two thoughts: ...

See all 11 comments

Does a LLC need its own EVMS?
 Two companies are joining forces in an LLC to pursue an opportunity. If one or both of the companies have a validated EVMS, will the ...
posted 4 months ago

Joan Ugljesa 4 months ago • As noted in earlier comments, the companies may select the validated system of one of the LLC partners and each firm would need to agree to ...

See all 4 comments

Data Driven Decisions
 Eric Brynjolfsson, an economist at the Sloan School of Management at MIT, and his colleagues studied 179 large companies. In the ...
posted 12 days ago

See more



Your Voice Is Important

•While we have a reasonable number of members of the group, the discussion threads are not having the impact or focus we would have liked to see.

Group Managers

- Bill Altman
- Eric Christoph
- Dave Johnson
- Barbara Philips
- Joan Ugljesa



New Attendee Phone Interviews

• Telephone Follow Ups

- Follow up calls to new NDIA PMSC Participants to get their perspectives
- A means to help the new attendees connect with the committee members
- Provide an opportunity to extend an invitation to continue participation in PMSC
- Convey an atmosphere of interest in meeting committee membership needs
- Results will be provided to the Board along with suggestions for improvement



- *What is your current role?*
- *What motivated you to attend?*
- *What was most value added?*
- *What was least value added?*
- *How would you improve the meetings?*
- *Do you plan to attend future meetings?*
- *What "hot buttons" do you have?*
- *Would you like to join a working group?*

Follow Up Team

- Bill Altman
- Ken Cressman
- ✓ Mike Cuticchia
- Barbara Phillips
- Susan Schaffner

PM Topics for Consideration

- **How do you use EVM data in conjunction with other metrics to assess the health of a program? (follow-on to the EAC discussion)**
 - **What is the Program Managers Toolbox?**
- **What Constitutes a Good Program Management Office?**
- **Do organizations measure their program management health?**
- **Subcontractor Flow-Downs and Gov't Skip-Level Involvement**
- **Cross Training of Program Performance Team**
- **Relationship between earned value management metrics and customer satisfaction**
- **Expand discussion of Program Management Systems within PMSC Charter in addition to EVMS, e.g.**
 - **Agile Development,**
 - **Performance Based Services,**
 - **Staff Augmentation**
- **How does DOE review their programs**
- **How to apply DFARS to LOE Service Contracts**
- **How the Government reconciles EV performance metrics with its expenditure metrics**