Minutes - NDIA SE Division Meeting, August 15, 2018

The bimonthly meeting of the NDIA Systems Engineering Division was held on 15-Aug-2018 at the General Dynamics Electric Boat Division in Washington, DC.

Attendance:

Bergenthal, Jeff JHU/APL Gill, Karen BAH	
Chesebrough, Dave NDIA Henry, Steve DAU	
Collahan, Jim JHU Ocker, Cory Raytheon	
Daly, John BAH Rassa, Bob Raytheon	
Davis, Kenneth DASD(SE) Schreiber, Chris Lockheed Ma	rtin
Draper, Geoff Harris Corp. Schulte, Dave SAIC	
Elm, Joe L3 Technologies Snoderly, John DAU	
Forbes, Sherman SAF/AQRE Thompson, Jim DASD(SE)	
Ganj, Howard Harris Corp. Werder, Tim DASD(SE)	

Briefings and materials:

see: http://www.ndia.org/Divisions/Divisions/SystemsEngineering/Pages/Past Projects.aspx

Executive Summary:

- Software Design and Acquisition discussed DSB recommendations, DoD needs and activities, and NDIA support
- INCOSE SE Competency Framework provided overview of SE competency framework
- Division Elections elections for Division officers will be held in December. A nominating committee was established

Introductions: Joe Elm (Vice Chair, NDIA SE Division)

Org chart: replace Doug Wiltsie and Marty Irvine.

Sponsor Overview: James Thompson, Director, Major Program Support, DASD (SE)

• DoD going through some changes. NDAA restructured AT&L into A&S (Ellen Lord) and R&E (Dr. Michael Griffin). Continuing to refine organizational roles and responsibilities. Goals to promote innovation and expand engineering rigor. Reshaping to meet the needs of the future.

Software Acquisition: James Thompson, Director, Major Program Support, DASD (SE)

- Many software challenges and many successes. Not unlike commercial industry.
- Of 208 programs, ~40 did not mention as one of the top 5 risks. But ~60% of programs did, many of them critical.
- DoD history addressing SW challenges: establishing SEI; Ada; DSB task force reports (1987, 1994, 2000); CMMI level 3
- Defect injection profiles across the life cycle a rich topic.
- DSB report on Software Acquisition:
 - Software Factory; Continuous iterative development; Risk Reduction & Metrics (competition; cost/schedule scoping estimation techniques; execution metrics framework); Transition to Current and Legacy programs; Workforce improvement; Software is Immortal Sustainment; Machine Learning IV&V, Cyber.
- Program bids need to be based on reliable historical data. Estimates are dependent on valid assumptions, model parameters. Sometimes we "want to believe" and accept optimistic assumptions we should not.
- Opportunities include MBE/MBSE, etc. Challenges include: cyber, vulnerability, performance against plan, SW-driven schedules, SW-HW coupling; workforce capability.
- Agile/Classic concepts. Iterative, incremental, MVP.

Agile Software Acquisition Project (Geoff Draper, Harris)

- NDIA will collaborate with INCOSE and other partners to provide industry recommendations to address the DSB Software Acquisition task force.
- The NDIA WG kickoff is 8/15 pm. This will be a SE Division-level activity involving multiple SED committees.

INCOSE Systems Engineering Competency Framework – Don Gelosh, WPI

- SE Competency Framework: 5 competency groupings, 36 competencies, 5 levels of proficiency
- Groups: SE Management; Professional; Core SE Principles; Integrating; Technical
- Proficiencies: Awareness; Supervised Practitioner; Practitioner; Lead Practitioner; Expert
- Evidence-based tables of proficiencies and competencies

NDIA SE Division Elections

- Elections for division officers (chair, vice-chair(s)) will be at the December planning meeting.
- Assigned a nominating committee: Jeff Bergenthal, Jim Coolahan, Bob Scheurer

DHS Systems Engineering Effectiveness Study – Bob Rassa, Raytheon

• Will conduct a series of workshops and group discussion

SED Actions:

- 2018-01: Digital Engineering in work
- 2018-03: AT, SSSE, DTE collaboration change Griffin to Orlidge. Punt to 2019.
- 2018-06: ongoing close the action.
- 2018-07: inter-divisional activity
- 2018-08: closed Kay Ortiz
- 2018-09: Semantic Web push to 2019
- 2018-10: common data environment for models closed, action is not clear. Re-open for other actions as needed.
- 2018-12: Autonomous Systems and SE challenges workshop re-assign to Elm, Rassa, Roedler.
- Bob Rassa is coordinating an unclassified Cybersecurity workshop with INCOSE.

NDIA SE Conference: Bob Rassa

- Changed name to Systems & Mission Engineering Conference. Oct 22-25, Grand Hyatt, Tampa Bay.
- 215 abstracts submitted all accepted. Can accommodate 240 papers.
- Digital Engineering Summit: Mon 1-5 pm (DoD invitation only)
- Digital Engineering / MBSE tools track w/ vendors
- NDIA can accept additional abstracts

Committee Reports:

- DT&E:
- E&T: published SE Competency Framework
- ESOH: DoD initiative to take on SE, fielded systems. What is the minimum set of ESOH capabilities needed to be supportive of rapid acquisition. Working with MBSE. 18 abstracts for NDIA SE Conference.
- Modeling & Simulation: aligned with DoD Digital Engineering Strategy. Summary of DEIXWG products. Digital artifacts definition (from ISO/IEEE 15288), digital ICD examples (provider and receiver points of view). Seek industry/govt collaboration on redefinition of artifacts (DIDs).
- System Security Engineering (SSE): DoDI 8140 comments in review. USAF seeking industry comments on security documentation. Cyber Resilient Systems Workshop: 85 participants at MITRE; develop new enclosure to DoDI 5000.02. Engineering Workforce Development challenge to develop skill sets fast enough.
- Architecture (Ed Moshinsky): very active, 50 members with subcommittees including MOSA, Value of Architectures. 15 presentations at SE Conference.
- Mission Engineering: weekly committee meetings, trying to expand company representation. 3 workshops planned.

Other Business:

- Ferguson Award nominations: due by Aug 24
- No Oct SED meeting due to NDIA SE Conference

• December annual planning meeting – GDEB