



# Project Overview Statement

## *Executive Summary*

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**Project Title:** GroupWise 7 Migration & Consolidation  
**Project ID:** 134  
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### PROJECT BUSINESS CASE

#### Project Overview

This projects purpose is to bring our present GroupWise system up to the latest technologies in design and performance. The desire is to position this infrastructure to allow for automation in account and group provisioning. The following are the major pieces of this project.

- Upgrade to GroupWise Version 7 on the SuSE Linux operating system platform.
- Redesign of the system layout to accommodate a “business flow” model as opposed to the existing “location” based model.
- Move of the GroupWise systems to the “NAP of the Americas” to ensure 24/7 availability of the GroupWise systems during Emergency situations.
- Provide fault tolerance in hardware design to support the new software.

#### Business Goals

- As Broward Community College has come to rely on GroupWise as a mission critical method of communication to Students and Faculty, the latest version of GroupWise will provide more stability and reliability.
- The new system layout will enable automation of account provisioning for the college.
- Ease of collaboration independent of access methodology( i.e., desktop, web access, or PDA/Phone)
- Ease of management and monitoring on standardized platform.

#### Success Factors

- Ease account provisioning and maintenance through re-design and system consolidation/Contract consultant to provide system design and migration plan.
- Increased usability utilizing new features in GroupWise 7/training through Professional Development.
- Increased ease of access utilizing new features in GroupWise 7/additional server to support mobile devices in addition to Blackberrys.
- Increased reliability/ new system hardware, standardized operating system, location at hardened site.