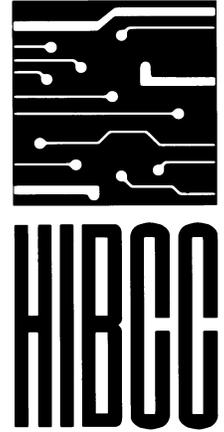✗

MINUTES
AUTO-ID TECHNICAL COMMITTEE MEETING
Embassy Suites Phoenix Biltmore
Thursday December 3, 2009

Members Present:
Sprague Ackley, Intermec
Suresh Choubey, GE Healthcare
Sheri Hudson, NW Memorial Hospital/Mass. General Hospital
Kirk Kikirekov, HIBCC AU
Harry Manolopoulos/MiSim
Napoleon Monroe, Henry Schein
In Mun, HCA
Greg Stivers, McKesson, Board Rep

Members Absent:
Kevin Kite-Powell, Advocate Rx Solution
Donna Lee, Hand Held Products, Inc.
Rob Milne

Guests Present:
Pat DeGrace, Hospira Worldwide, Inc
DuWayne Schlittenhard, St. Alexius Medical Center

HIBCC Staff:
Katy Giglio
Bob Hankin

Individual Expert:
Luis Figarella, Individual Expert

Call to Order
This meeting was called to order by Individual Expert, Luis Figarella at 9:09 a.m.

Introduction
General introductions were made.

Anti-Trust Policy and Conflict of Interest Statement
The Anti-Trust Policy and Conflict of Interest (COI) Statement were reviewed. Committee members were instructed to return signed copies of the COI to HIBCC staff.

Approval of Agenda
Motion was made by Greg Stivers, seconded by Suresh Choubey and approved unanimously to accept the agenda as distributed.

Approval of Minutes
Motion was made by Harry Manolopoulos, seconded by Stivers and approved unanimously to accept the minutes of Auto-ID Technical Committee Meeting held on June 4, 2009.

Approval of Roster
It was noted that Walt Mosher had contacted the HIBCC office and respectfully resigned from the AITC. Motion was made by Lu Figarella, seconded by Stivers and approved unanimously to accept the roster as amended.

Positive ID for Patient Safety Standard – ANSI/HIBC 3.1
Manolopoulos reported changes to ANSI/HIBC 3.1 that he and Sharon Hudson had completed. Sprague Ackley suggested that the first couple examples in ANSI/HIBC 3.1 include DataMatrix and Aztec examples. Manolopoulos agreed and said he would include examples in the final version submitted to ANSI. Figarella suggested that the Committee vote to submit ANSI/HIBC 3.1 to ANSI for final approval. It was agreed that a letter ballot would be sent to the Committee, with a concurrent ballot to the Board for their conditional approval.

Provider Application Standard – ANSI/HIBC 1.3
Ackley reported that he is working on several updates to ANSI/HIBC 1.3. Ackley proposed placing the 2D examples first and including fewer 1D examples. He suggested removing the "split data field". The intent is to make the standard 2-D centric, as this will be a more useful carrier for this standard.

Ackley also discussed concerns with the Human Readable Interpretation and suggested rewording to clarify our intent. After robust discussion by the Committee, it was generally agreed that the data string in the barcode or symbol is not mandatory in the Human Readable form beneath the barcode as long as the data that is represented by the barcode or symbol is included on the label.

The AITC also discussed the need for the "*" in the human readable form of the barcode (start and end). The general consensus was to make the need for this optional and to use the same wording as the SLS.

Ackley noted that he will be forwarding an email to the entire AITC for them to review existing letter IDs and suggest additions or the removal of outdated ones to further complete ANSI/HIBC 1.3. Sheri Hudson noted that one additional data field that would be required is the Patient Account ID, or event number etc.

Ackley proposed to produce a draft of the standard and send for review by AITC within a 2 week timeframe. At that time a letter ballot will also be distributed to the AITC and Board for their approval.

It was also suggested that a white paper or tri-fold brochure be created from the ANSI/HIBC 1.3. Katy Giglio recommended that the HIBCC Phoenix Office complete this document, once changes are made to ANSI/HIBC 1.3.

RFID HIBC for Product Identification – ANSI/HIBC 4.0
Figarella reported that ANSI/HIBC 4.0 was approved by ANSI in July. He also reported that the standard itself received a lot of publicity on both the blogs and in print.

New Business
Ackley proposed incorporating HIBCC Data into ISO/IEC 15434 by creating an additional standard. The Committee discussed the benefits of a standard over a white paper. The Committee then reviewed Ackley's proposal and added suggestions. The Committee agreed and a motion was made by Figarella and seconded by Ackley to submit to ANSI the proper form to initiate ANSI/HIBC 5.0: Syntax Standard. Ackley will distribute the final draft of the standard to AITC members, with the view to vote for publication at the next AITC meeting in June 2010.

Figarella presented a guideline to the Supplier Labeling Standard. Figarella noted that the document was 20 pages and was working with Kikirekov to shorten the document to 4 pages using examples. He suggested that the document need to be further simplified. Kikirekov suggested that the guideline be targeted toward new, small to medium sized manufacturers. Ackley suggested referring those with more technical questions to the standard itself.

Kikirekov noted that as AITC Co-Chair he and Figarella have received some emails regarding the expiration date formats in the Supplier Labeling Standard. The emails suggested adding and/or changing the expiration date formulas. Kikirekov said for this to happen, another flag in the data set would need to be included to add another date format. The Committee agreed that no action should be taken at this time and Figarella concluded that he would research this issue further before presenting a suggestion to the Committee. This would include discussing the impacts with some software vendors that have incorporated the standard into their software.

Adjourn
There being no further business, a motion was made by In Mun, seconded by Manolopoulos and approved unanimously to adjourn at 1:50 p.m.

Submitted by: Katy Giglio, HIBCC