October 12, 2017 Interoperability Working Group Call

Status Updates:
- Google developer site describing a standard scheme for presenting elections data: https://developers.google.com/elections-data/
- Status of VRI specification
  - Conducted a call with VR vendors on the VRI specification on Oct. 6, 2017. There weren’t many comments but the hope is that some vendors will participate in calls in the future.
  - Getting ready to put into internal review and published as a specification.
    - There are still some minor issues with JSON schema so have some work to do there.
- Status of Election Results Reporting V2:
  - Making sure that all changes are in, then go back to this group and go through those in more detail. Making technical documentation consistent.

Discussion:
- Ballot definition/Layout CDF
  - Discussion of terminology: “Ballot Content Definition” had broad support
  - Use case discussion:
    - Ballot data that would go into some sort of ballot generation system. At a minimal level needs to address a situation where a county needs to rekey information; interoperable export for the EMS.
    - Data interoperability between EMS that creates election definition (as already formalized in ENR CDF) – consuming system needs to take these and do ballot layout. Data exchange format that extends existing CDF to create the input for a ballot design system. Makes it easier to make an alternative format ballot like the one used in Oregon for accessibility (“anywhere ballot”)
      - Pick up Oregon as a good case study to start from?
  - Separate subgroup list for this? Or keep it on the Interoperability Working Group? Conflicting opinions on that. Decision: Will get up a separate subgroup with its own GitHub. Put out a call for people to participate.

Next Steps:
- Set up a separate subgroup with its own GitHub for Ballot Content Definition and put out a call for participants.
- Modify use case according to discussion today and send it out.

Attendees:
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- Herb Deutsch
- Ian Piper
• Lauren Lochbridge
• Neal McBurnett
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• Katy Owens Hubler
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