

Georgia*FIRST* Financials Update and Roadmap

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- *Current* Projects and Initiatives
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- Questions

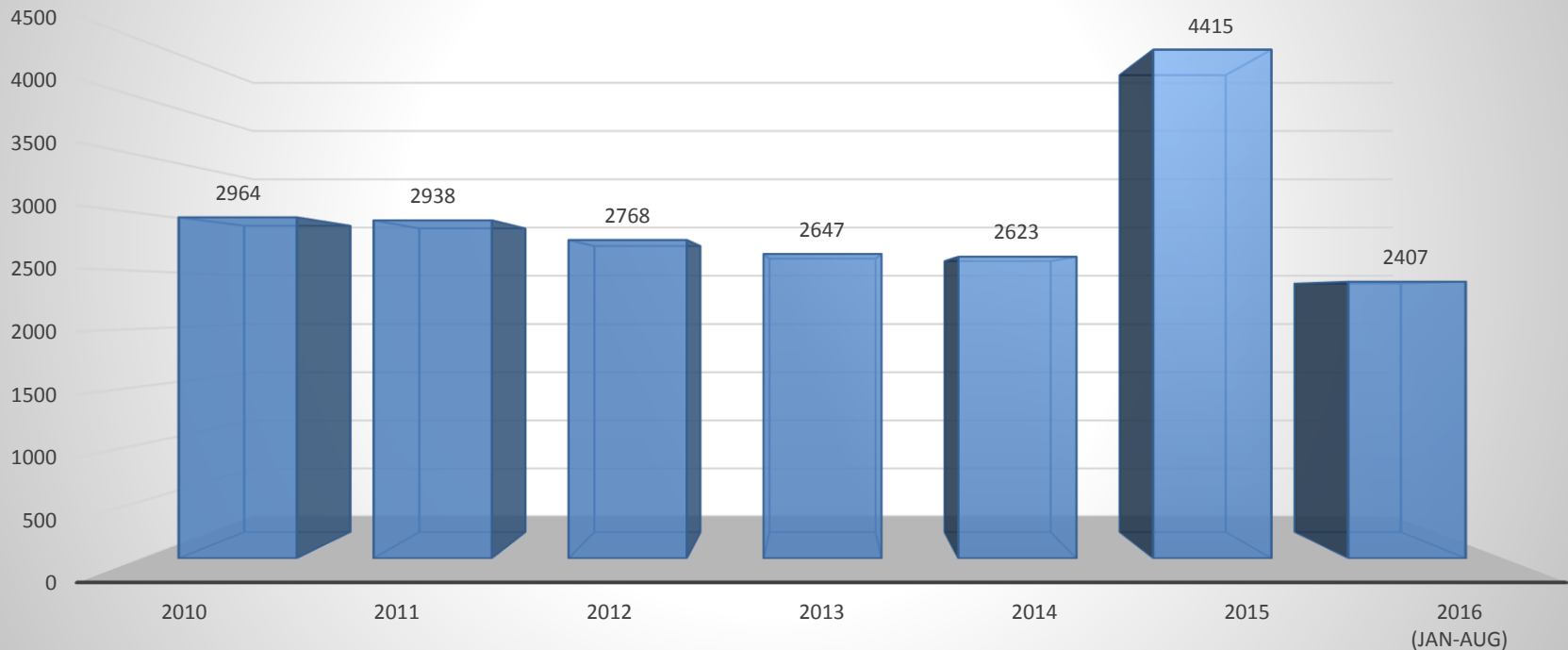
Georgia*FIRST* by the Numbers

- Hosts **26** institutions in the consolidated PeopleSoft Financials environment
- Supports **10** financial modules (PS and BOR)
- During FY2016, there were:
 - Approximately **10,861** users in PeopleSoft Financials
 - **57,006** Purchase Orders created
 - **26,887** Expense Reports created by 16 institutions using the Expense module, totaling more than **\$9.4** million
 - **362,130** AP Vouchers created and **270,899** payments processed totaling more than **\$1.5** billion
 - **114,220** GL journals and **42,710** budget journals created

Georgia*FIRST* by the Numbers

- Production Support Helpdesk Tickets:

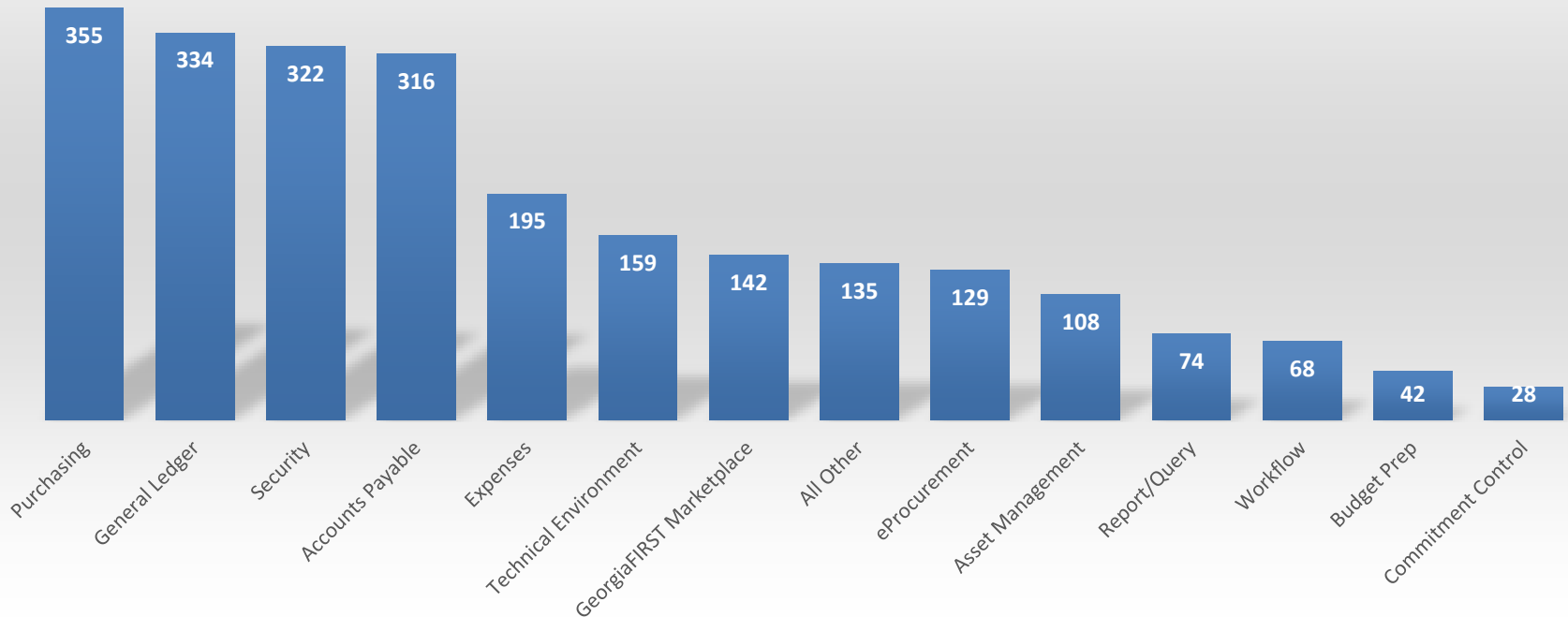
Administrative Services
Tickets Created by Year



GeorgiaFIRST by the Numbers

- Helpdesk Tickets CY2016 by Module:

Administrative Services Tickets Created
January - August, 2016
By Module Area



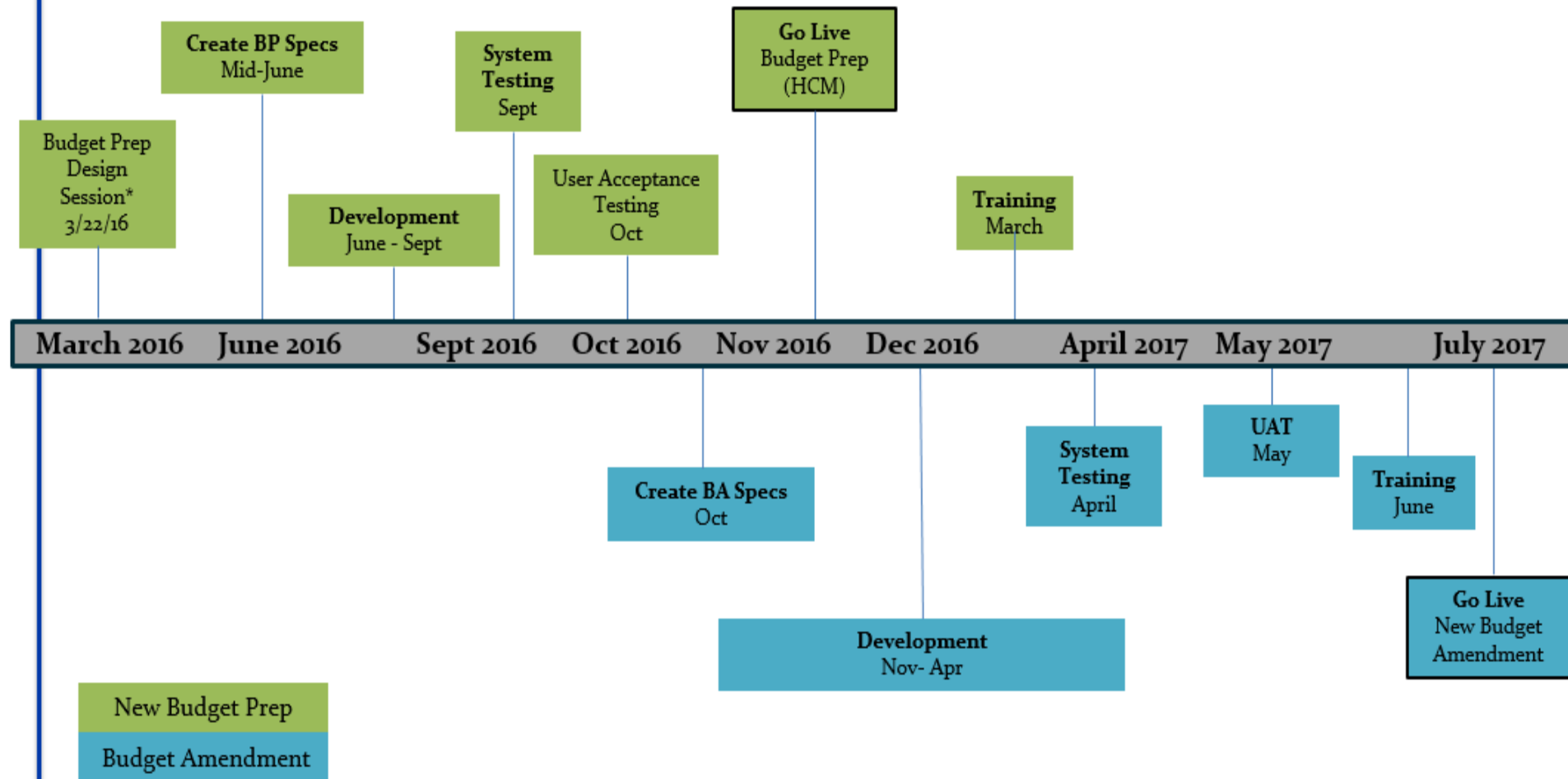
Accomplishments Past Year

- November 2015
 - Annual Oracle Maintenance Release (5.00)
 - Database upgrade - Oracle 11 to 12c
 - PeopleTools upgrade – 8.53.13 to 8.54.13
 - PeopleSoft Update Images 7 through 13
- April 2016
 - ePro & Purchasing Module Enhancement Review
- May 2016
 - Fiscal Year-End Release(s) 5.13, 5.14, 5.15

Accomplishments Past Year

- Budget Prep Design Session
 1. Requirements related to HCM Implementation
 2. Additional desired enhancements
- Budget Amendment Design Session
- Outcome:
 - Requirements from design sessions documented
 - Tentative timeline developed (*shown on next slide*)

Tentative Timeline (Budget Prep and Budget Amendment)



Accomplishments Past Year

- Stabilized 9.2 application
 - Delivered fixes for various known issues
 - Implemented new tools
 - AM and Purchasing WorkCenters
 - New AM reconciliation reports
- Purchased Grants Suite
 - Will be discussed under Future Projects on later slide

Current Projects and Initiatives

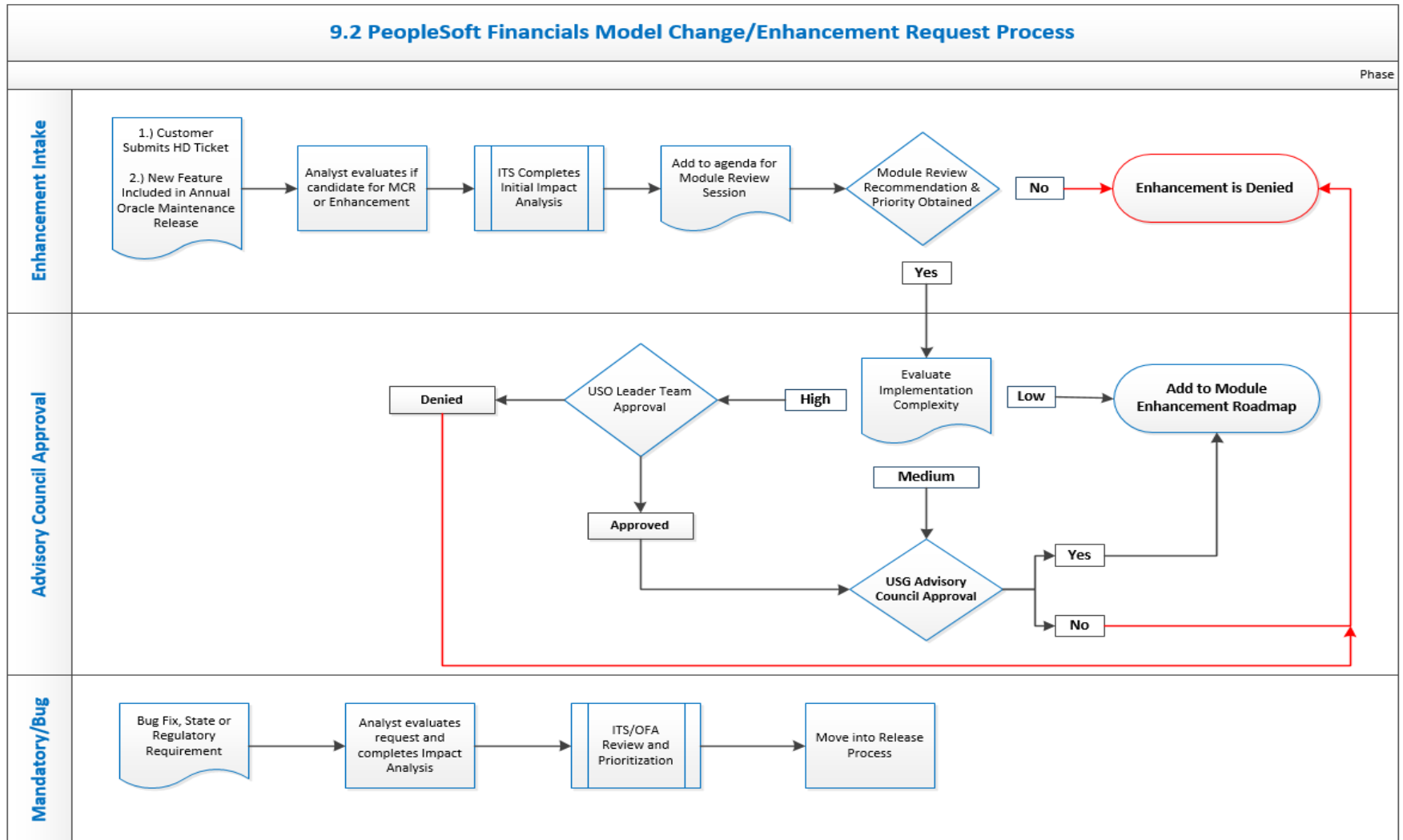
- Annual Oracle Maintenance Release (5.20)
 - System testing in progress
 - Includes a PeopleTools upgrade 8.55
 - Oracle PUM Images 14 – 19
 - Release date:
 - Weekend of November 19, 2016
 - Additional system downtime may be required (5:00pm Thursday, November 17, 2016)

Attend “Annual Maintenance Preview” session
Friday @ 10:30am

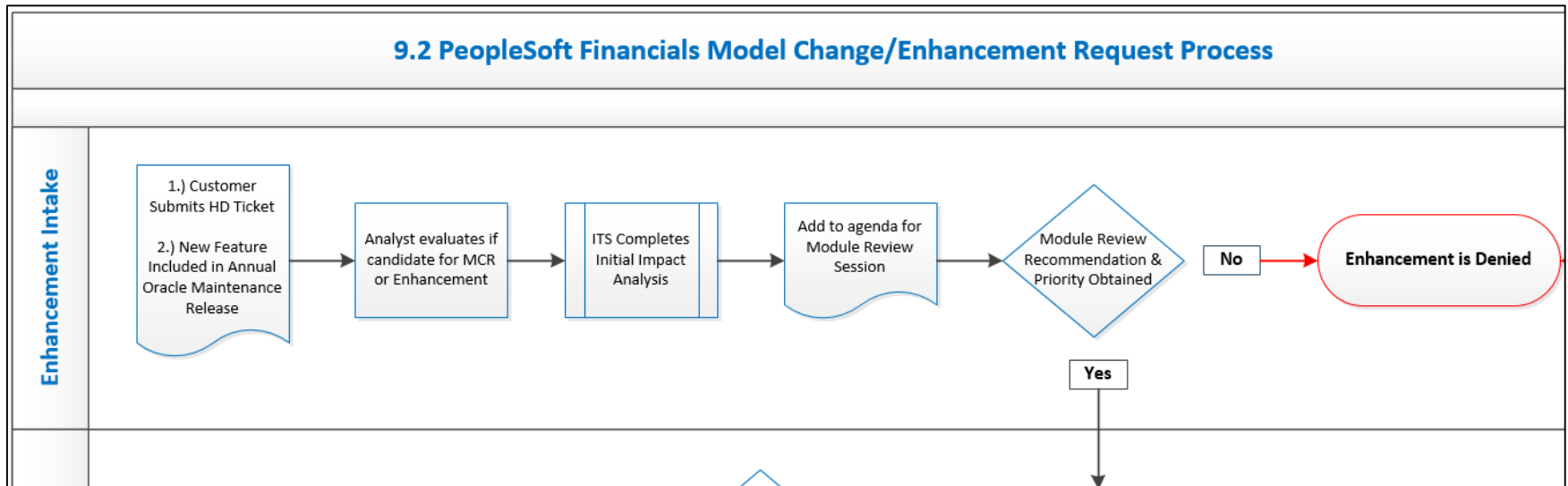
Current Projects and Initiatives

- Audit and Risk Analysis
 - The Security design of Georgia*FIRST* Financials is designed to restrict access to sensitive data to only those that need access to perform their job responsibilities.
 - Strong policies and procedures have aided in clean audits.
 - Ongoing efforts to ensure adequate controls and procedures as the application and technology changes.

Current Projects and Initiatives



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Attend Claire Arnold's session "Fiscal Affairs Update" Thursday @ 8:30am

Current Projects and Initiatives

- Module Enhancement Reviews
 - Oracle images include new features or functionality.
 - These sessions allow sharing with institution process experts to obtain customer feedback and priority for implementing.
 - Goal is each module to have annual review.
 - Depending on the implementation complexity (High, Medium, Low), USO Leader Team and/or USG Advisory Team approval required.



Current Projects and Initiatives

- Module Enhancement Reviews - Timeline
 - ePro and Purchasing module session conducted April, 2016
 - Asset Management tentative date November 1st
 - Accounts Payable tentative date November 11th
 - General Ledger/Commitment Control and Expense module reviews planned for February or March, 2017

Attend “*GeorgiaFIRST Module Reviews*” session
Thursday @ 10:50am

Current Projects and Initiatives

- Changes to GeorgiaFIRST Financials website
<http://www.usg.edu/gafirst-fin/>



Delivering Trusted Financial Management Solutions

Home	
Documentation	
Announcements	
Known Issues	+
Releases	+
Project Information	

Latest Announcements

- (Aug 25, 2016) Georgia Summit Presentations by GeorgiaFIRST
- (Aug 11, 2016) Standardized Accounts (COA) Synced to all Business Units
- (Aug 10, 2016) PO Mass Approvals Functionality Now Available for

Latest Known Issues

- (Aug 10, 2016) Account Field Is Not Able To Be Edited after Selecting a SpeedChart on Mass Change Page (Active)
- (Aug 05, 2016) Use of Voucher Save for Later Button Preventing Access to Voucher Data in iStrategy (Active)

Related Links

- CIO Advisory Council
- Business Procedures Manual
- BOR Policy Manual
- Office of Fiscal Affairs

Current Projects and Initiatives

- Updated Training and Documentation:
 - Documentation on website
 - User's Guide for Security Administrators
 - Fiscal Year-End 2016 Manuals
 - New Query and Report Job Aids
 - Training
 - New User training resources added to website
 - Scheduling two-day, in-person Query training class in Athens (ITS) November 8-9, 2016
 - Targeted to Beginner and Advanced query users
 - Limited to sixteen participants

Current Projects and Initiatives

- PeopleSoft Travel & Expense Implementations
 - Currently have 16 schools using
 - Targeting to have 2 more schools within FY17
 - Continued emphasis on improving user experience
 - Configuration change made July 2016 to turn off budget check encumbrances for Travel Authorizations
 - Daily one line Meal Per Diem - December 2016

Attend “PeopleSoft Travel & Expense Panel Discussion” session today @ 4:30pm

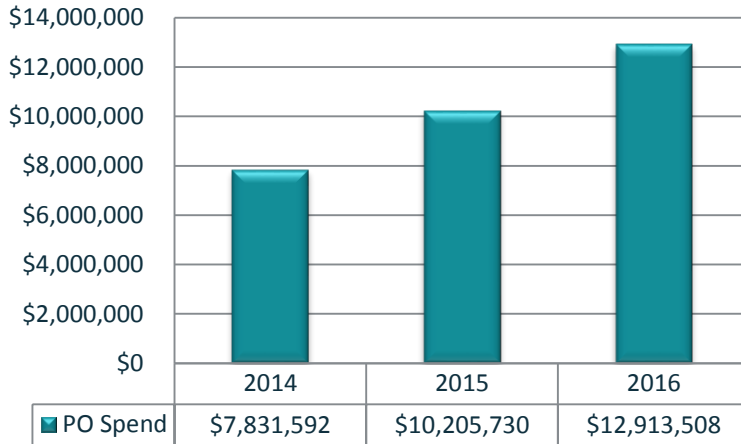
Current Projects and Initiatives

- eProcurement & Georgia*FIRST* Marketplace
 - 21 Institutions using ePro
 - 16 of the 21 are also live on GFM
 - 2 institutions interested in ePro/GFM implementation during FY2017
 - Goal is to work with remaining institutions using ePro but not GFM next to determine a tentative timeline.

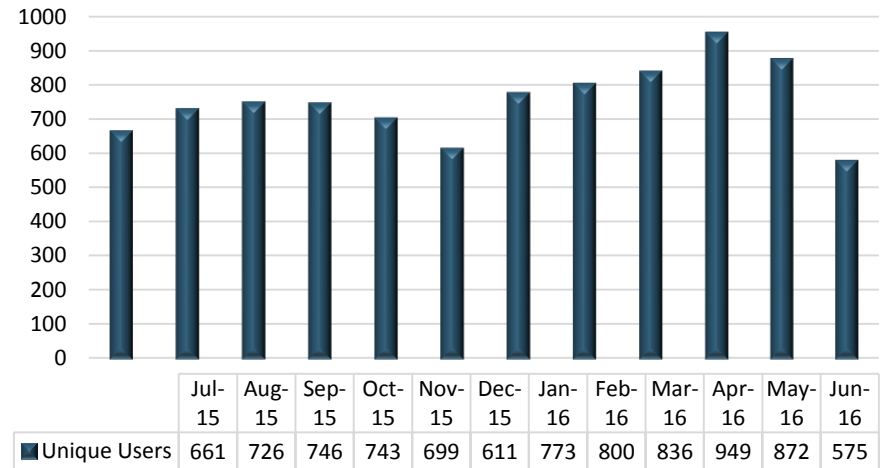
Attend “Join the Georgia*FIRST* Marketplace” session
Thursday @ 1:00pm

GFM Spend Analysis and Users

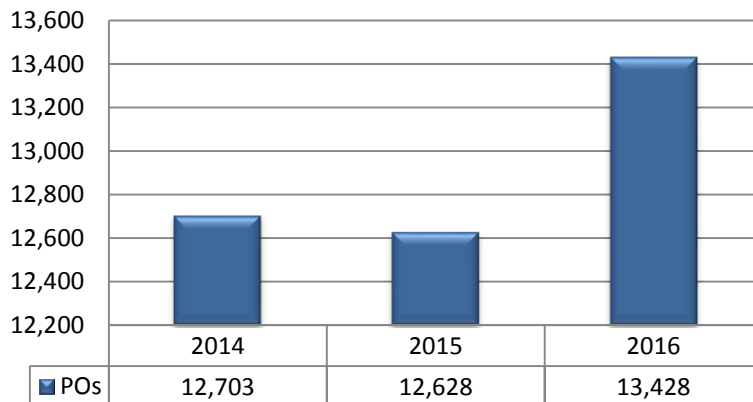
PO Spend



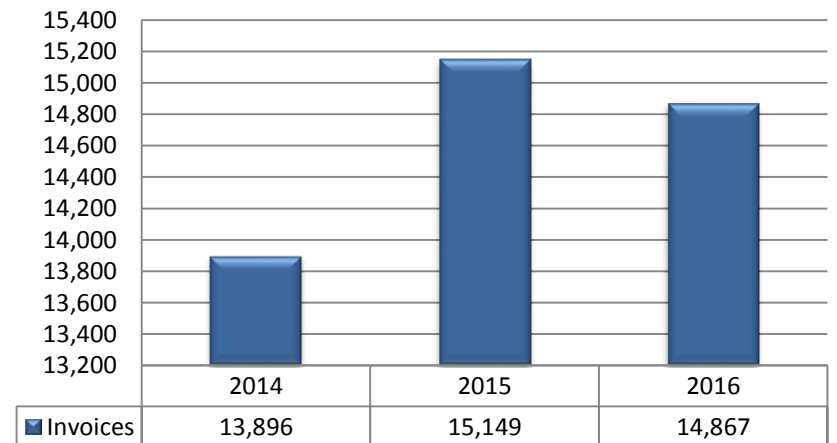
Average of 749 Unique Users



POs



Invoices



Current Projects and Initiatives

- Status of Budget Prep Redesign
 - Budget Prep functional specifications and development are in progress
 - Schedule impacted by HCM and AON benefits outsourcing decisions
 - Planning to deliver in January, 2017 (*original planned date was November, 2016*)
 - Only needed for institutions live on PeopleSoft HCM during FY2017 Budget Prep cycle (March-May)

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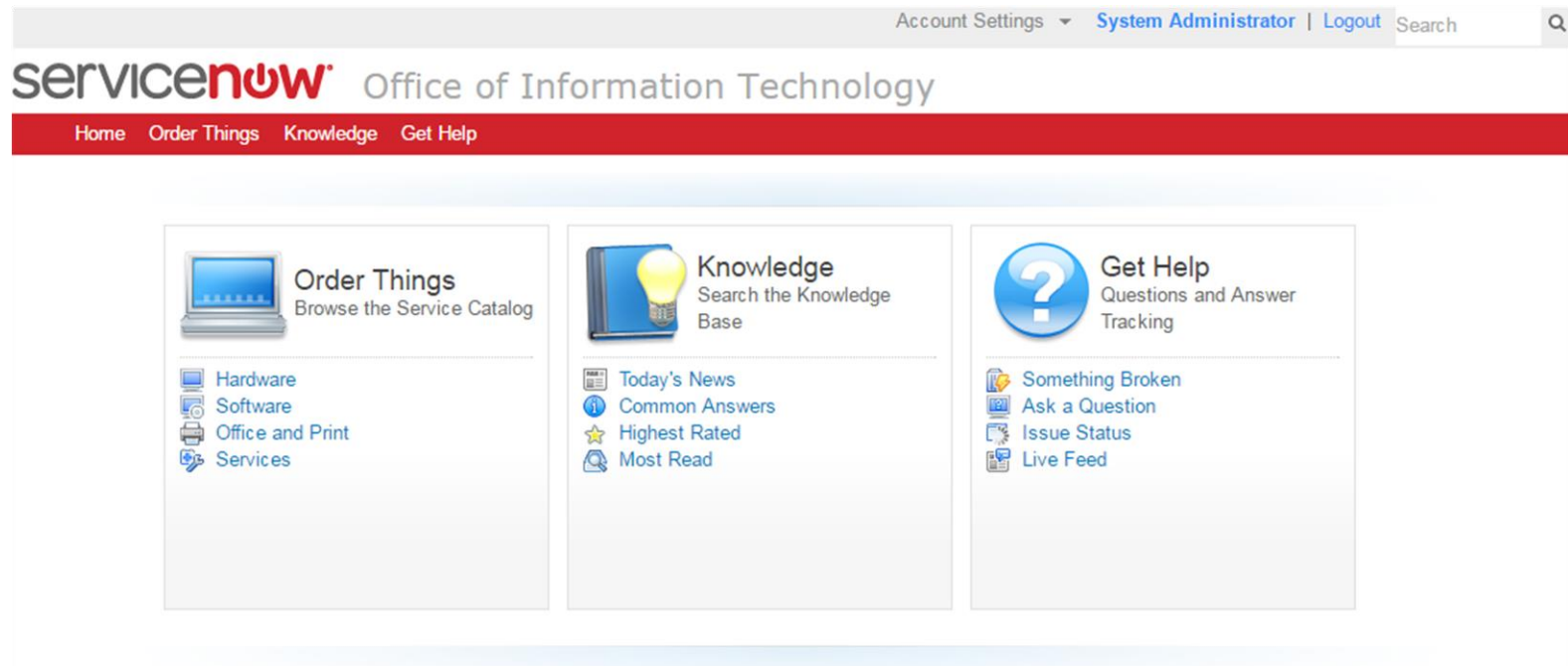
- Status of Budget Amendment Functionality
 - Will begin writing functional specifications following testing of redesigned Budget Prep
 - Still aiming for goal of delivery for institutional use beginning July 1, 2017
 - Need to determine approach for institutions implementing HCM during fiscal year
 - Timeline is dependent on HCM project and availability of resources

Current Projects and Initiatives

- Albany and Darton Consolidation
 - Following same approach as first consolidation institutions ($A + B = C$).
 - New ASU Business Unit will be 22000.
 - Participating in bi-weekly meetings with USO, Shared Services and the institutions.
 - On track for the July 1, 2017 consolidation go-live.

Current Projects and Initiatives

- Replacing ITS Helpdesk Ticket system
 - USGTrackit will be replaced with ServiceNow



Current Projects and Initiatives

- Replacing ITS Helpdesk Ticket system
 - ServiceNow is a web-based enterprise application that provides a robust suite of applications.
 - Will contribute to our overall IT Service Management strategy to improve efficiency and align our services with institutional needs.
 - Planning for December implementation.

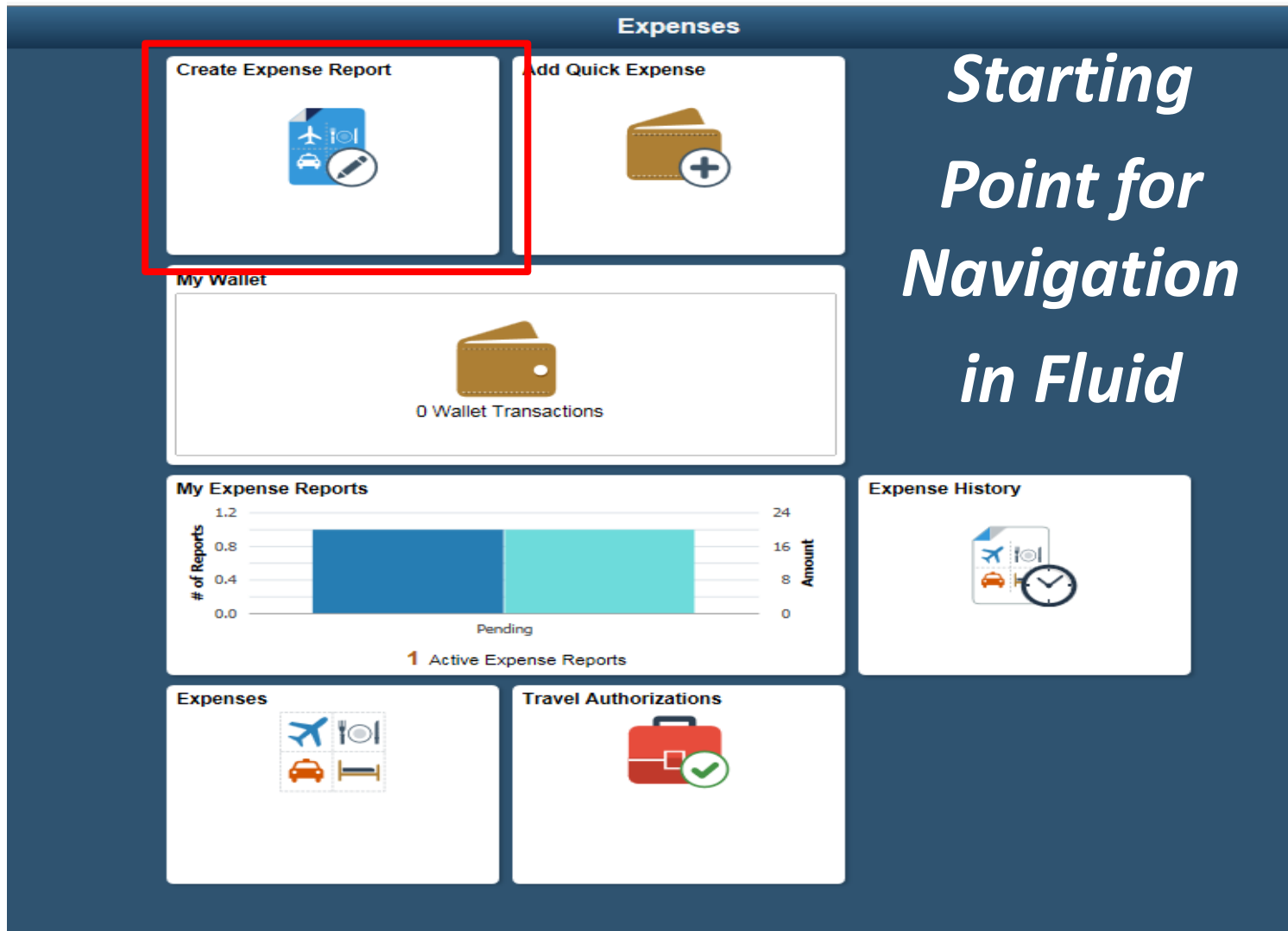
Current Projects and Initiatives

- UGA OneSource Project PeopleSoft Financials Implementation
 - Georgia*FIRST* members are attending discovery and design sessions.
 - Great opportunity to partner and share model configuration and historical decisions.
 - Gives the Georgia*FIRST* team the opportunity to learn more about modules and functionality not yet implemented.

Future Projects and Initiatives

- PeopleSoft Fluid User Experience
 - Consistency between PeopleSoft HCM and Financials
 - Provides users the ability to access PeopleSoft using smart phones, tablets, desktops/laptops
 - Presents a common user experience on a variety of devices regardless of screen size

Fluid Homepage and Tiles



Fluid – Create Expense Report

[Expenses](#)

Expense Report

Report: NEXT
Sheila Sloan

General Information

*Business Purpose

Presentation / Lecture/Speed

*Description

Present at Georgia Summit

Default Location

AUGUSTA

Reference

Attach Receipt

Accounting Defaults

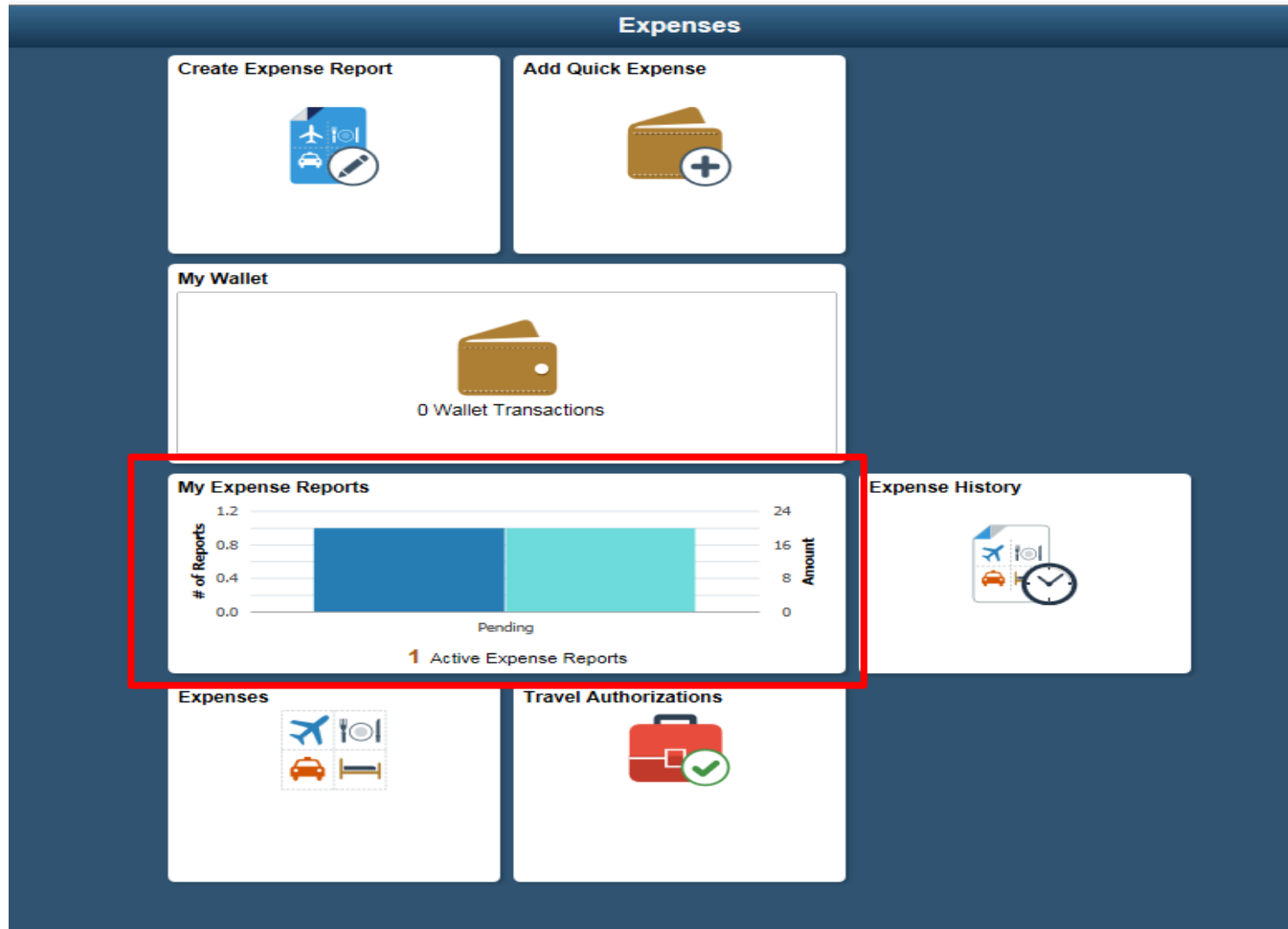
Creation Date: 09/08/2016 Sheila Sloan
Updated on: 09/08/2016

Expense Details

No expenses have been entered.

+ Add Expense

Fluid Homepage and Tiles



Fluid – My Expense Reports

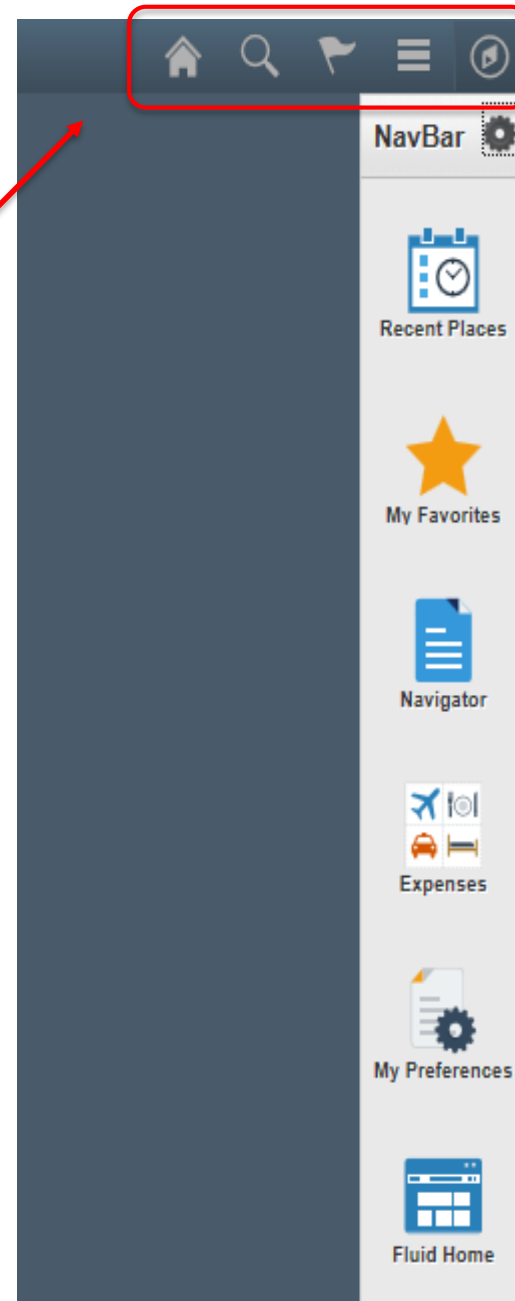
My Expense Reports				
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Awaiting Approval	0			
Pending Payment	0			
View All	2			

Not Submitted				
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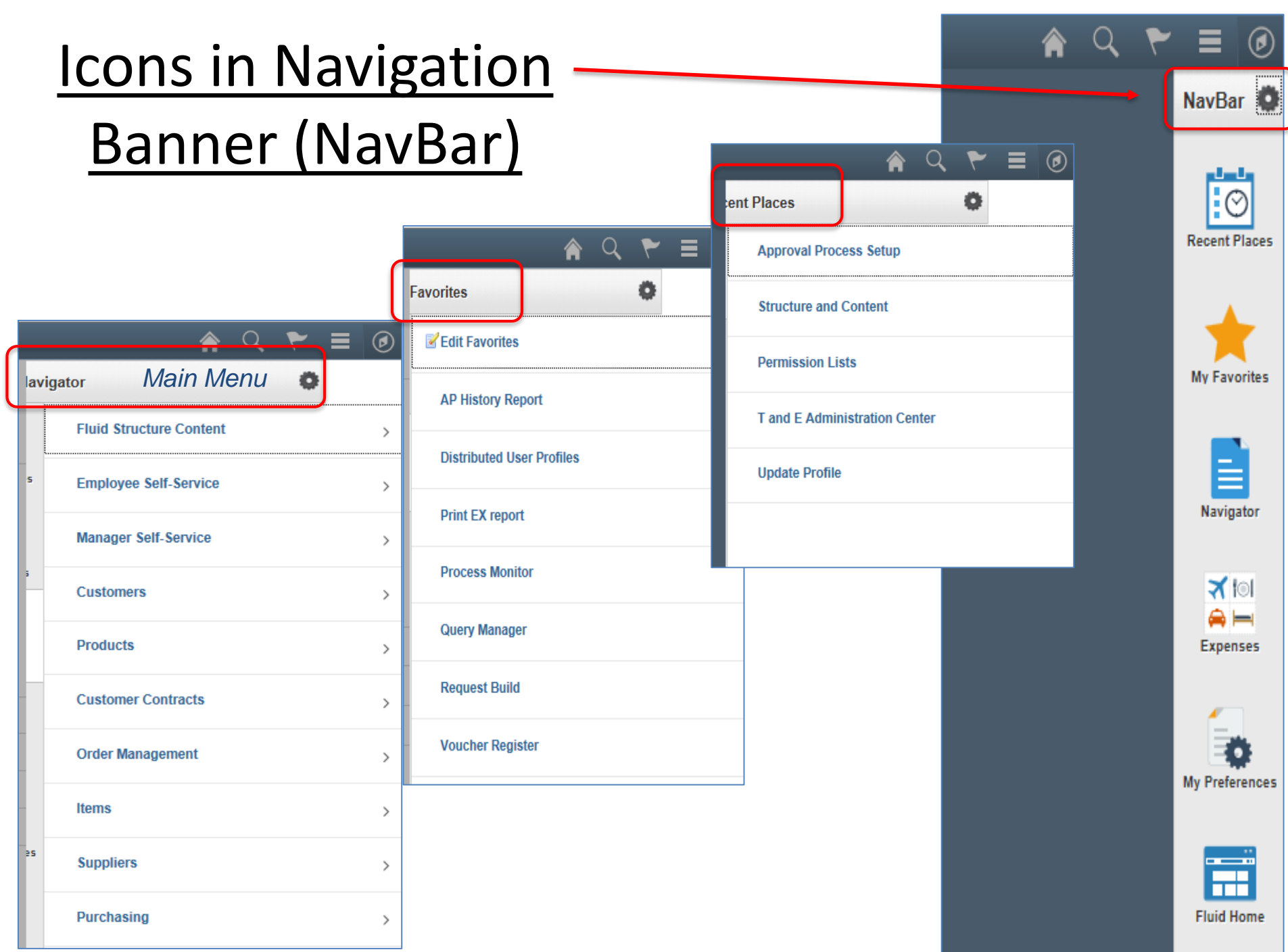
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Icons in Fluid Banner

- Home
- Search
- Notifications
- Actions List
- Nav Bar
 - Replaces Worklist



Icons in Navigation Banner (NavBar)



Future Projects and Initiatives

- Fluid Interface and Mobile Technology Roll-out
 - Upgrading to PT8.55 is a pre-requisite
 - Currently exploring potential strategies
 - Will be included as part of Module Enhancement Review sessions for feedback and priority.
 - Will then be submitted into Model Change Enhancement process.

Future Projects and Initiatives

- Operational Business Intelligence Solution
 - iStrategy replacement
 - Demo to CAO and USO
 - On hold due to resource constraints
 - Will be discussed in a future General Ledger module enhancement review session and moved into Change Management approval process.

Future Projects and Initiatives

- Implementation of Grants Suite
 - Includes five new modules:
 - Project Costing, Billing, AR, Contracts and Grants
 - Will be submitted to USO Leader Team for approval and prioritization
 - Project planning will begin once approved
 - More information will be provided as it becomes available

OneUSG Track

- Attend OneUSG HCM Demonstrations
 - Latest and greatest functionality
 - Bring your questions
 - Friday beginning at 8:30am
 - Location: Oglethorpe A/B

Georgia*FIRST* Session Changes

- Friday (Room Oglethorpe E)
 - 8:30am - Budget Prep Redesigned session cancelled
 - 8:30am - PeopleSoft Query Basics and Best Practices session
 - Originally scheduled at 9:30am
 - 9:30am - Added General Ledger/Commitment Control Birds of a Feather session

