AGENDA

New Business

- Attending a workshop on Agile as our meeting for this week. These minutes will be used as an outline of the presentation, presented by Optum representatives and UConn alum.

NOTES

- **What is Agile?**
  - A mindset; a way to think different via certain principles that brings business value to teams.
  - Founded around 2002
  - Favors individuals/interactions over processes/tools, working software over documentation, customer collaboration over contract negotiation, and responding to change over following a plan.
  - Agile supports learning through discovery, collaboration, failing early, seeking feedback, continuous delivery, focus on value, inspecting and adapting, welcoming and responding to change, self-management, self-organization, and small value-add slices.

- **Why does it matter?**
  - Long periods of time between past innovations.
  - Innovations need to tend to customer needs ahead of the game (Netflix)
  - Agile is all about value.
  - “Are we building the BEST thing for our customers?”
  - “Are we meeting THEIR current needs?”
  - “How do we meet their FUTURE needs?”
  - Architecture Runway - “how can I be sure I’m thinking about future needs?”

- **How do you do it?**
  - Traditional / Waterfall:
    - Requirements > Development > Testing > Production Release
  - Agile:
    - Breakdown to user stories > Development > Testing > Release + Update Capabilities / Features to meet remaining needs > customer feedback.
- A/B Testing used to see reactions from customers
  - Scrum: a framework within which people can address complex adaptive problems, while productively and creatively delivering products of the highest possible value.
  - Scrum is lightweight, simple to understand, and difficult to master.

**ACTION ITEMS**

1. **Learn more about “scrum teams”**
2. **Optum TDP Internship and Full-Time Positions open on HuskyCareerLink**