# IDENTITY OPEN SOURCE HOSTED & MANAGED

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#### MEET NATALIE

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- Over twenty years of experience in Higher Education Information Technology, application systems development & implementation, and project management.
- Responsible for the strategic direction and oversight of **Digital** Transformation, Enterprise Applications, Project Management, and Training & Communications departments.
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# **AGENDA**

01	How the Story Started
02	Solution Selection
03	The Migration
04	Reflection & Value
05	Recommendations
06	Questions & Answers



# Tell us about your Identity Infrastructure

# THE STORY

# CSUDH where the story started

- → Challenges to support Shibboleth
- → Attempted to upgrade Shibboleth and had to roll back
- → Lack of expertise and resources
- → COVID demand exacerbated the challenges.





# **SOLUTION SELECTION**

#### Summary of Issues:

- High expectations with online teaching & learning
- Campus SSO struggled
- Experiencing outages and slow responses

#### **Next Steps:**

Needing a solution quickly, we turned to CDW to connect us with Unicon for an engagement



# **MIGRATION**

# Migration highlights

- → Timing
- → Campus Communication
- → Collaborative Planning & Execution
- → Validation





# REFLECTION & VALUE

Hosted & Managed by proven domain experts

24/7/365 Monitoring & Support, our folks can sleep through the night

Service Provider Integrations, we request and they do the work

Take the load off, we can refocus efforts

- What did they do with their extra time?
- Redirect resources to research/innovate?
- Were resources not hired that would have been required if solution not managed?



# RECOMMENDATIONS

Things to think about

- → Research & Planning
- → Open Source vs Closed
- → Time to devote
- → Time to manage
- → Target expectations







Are you planning to move your Identity solution to the Cloud?



# Questions? Answers.

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