Leveraging Technology to Maximize Auxiliary Performance

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Learning Outcomes

 Learn how to effectively leverage and collaborate multiple technologies to streamline processes.

 Learn how the power of analytics reporting dramatically transforms raw static data into actionable intelligence.

 Learn how the collaboration substantially reduced labor, increased revenues and provided insight to better predict student purchasing patterns.



Today's Presentation Agenda

- Opening Remarks
- <u>Case Study:</u> George Mason University –Using Technology to Measure Advertising Effectiveness
- <u>Case Study:</u> Duke University Merchant on Point and On Campus Dining Management
- Other Uses for Data = Actionable Intelligence
- Questions



About George Mason University

- 6 Campuses Fairfax, Arlington, Science and Technology, Mason Korea, Front Royal, Loudoun
- Over 33,000 students 6,000 residential
- Largest public research university in the Commonwealth of Virginia
- Auxiliary Enterprises accounts for \$44 million in annual dining revenues



Overview of George Mason Retail Operations

- 28 Sodexo Retail Brands
- 5 Independently Operated Brands
- 4 Residential Dining Halls
- 75 point of sale units (Sequoia)
- 70 display devices (ORCATV)
- 40,000 transactions per week
- Multiple and disparate systems





The Challenge

- Too much data and too little time
- Data does not equal information for actionable intelligence
- Measure the impact of various marketing initiatives through data analytics



The Process

- Advertising message placed on Orca TV
- Coupon codes recorded at Starbucks POS
- Sequoia data files loaded into RevenueVision
- Trend analysis completed





Measuring the Impact

- Week Before 140 Refills
- Cups Given away (Coupon) - 41
- Week After 143 Refills





The Results

- Advertising led to less than desired outcome
- Ability to analyze sales resulted in knowing that the promotion didn't work
- Did not meet student preferences





The Benefits

- Ability to quickly analyze the results of advertising or other marketing campaigns
- Able to quickly perform trend analysis and daily comparisons
- Better understanding of student purchasing behavior





Overview of Duke Dining

Campus Population

6,485 Undergraduate Students

8,465 Graduate & Professional

Students

8,380 Campus Employees

23,330 Total Campus

19,748 Schools of Medicine / Nursing & Duke Hospital Employees





Overview of Duke Dining (cont'd)

Dining Options

- 3 On Campus Self-Op Restaurants
- 32 On Campus Individually Contracted Restaurants
- 13 Merchant on Points
 - delivery to Campus only
 - individual contracts
- 7 Food Trucks
- 55 Total





Overview of Duke Dining

- Systems
 - On-Campus POS:
 <u>Sequoia Quadpoint</u>
 - POS Delivery & Food Trucks:
 Blackboard POS (iPod devices)
 - DukeCard System:
 Blackboard Transact
 - University Accounting System:
 SAP
 - Contract Repository, Revenue Reporting and Reconciliation: RevenueVision®





The Role of Aux Finance (AFO)

- Tracking of contract terms
- Reconciliation of deposit bags for all registers
- Calculation of amount due and creation of invoices for weekly commission payments to vendors
- Distribution of reports to support payments
- Posting and Reporting of revenue and tenders in SAP











Keys to the Aux Finance (AFO) Process

- Availability of the latest Contracts
- Number of Locations and Tenders
 - Daily Deposits Duke collects all tenders for all on-campus dining registers
- Reconciliation / validation of data from multiple sources
 - Quadpoint, Blackboard, Merchant Bank, Bursar, etc.
 - By day, location, POS, tender
- Remission of Sales Tax for On-Campus Vendors
- Calculate over/short by tender & calculate payment of weekly vendor commission payments based on contract terms
- Provide reports to contract vendors to support payments
- Post revenue and tenders in SAP Accounting System



The Before Challenges

- Contract Accuracy
 - Contracts provided via email
- Staff Effort Requirements
 - Manual re-keying of data from multiple source systems with varying report formats
 - Campus expansion increasing number of locations (registers) and volume of transaction data
 - Over 340,000 DukeCard transactions per month for Dining locations
 - Plus all transactions for other tenders (cash, check, credit card, internal charge, etc.)
 - Addition of new tenders for new programs increasing reconciliation time
 - mostly new stored value accounts on the DukeCard
 - Issues were identified often weeks after payments issued
 - Time-consuming to track sources of problems and make adjustments



The Before Challenges (cont'd)

System Constraints

- Utilization of a custom-written Revenue & Reconciliation application
 - end of life with limited support
- Implementation of data changes (ex. new data fields, commission calculation changes)
 required reprogramming of Revenue & Reconciliation application;
 - limited flexibility for AFO to control & deliver changes, even for reporting

Reporting Flexibility

- Multiple POS = no single system for generating overall sales reports
- Large, complex Excel spreadsheets for tax reporting
- Limited ability to analyze YTY trends without re-keying into spreadsheets



In Search of Solutions

Goals:

- 1. Select a single POS system
- 2. Identify revenue and reporting software applications to replace end of life system







Implementing RevenueVision®

- By FY13, Sequoia Quadpoint deployed as single POS solution for on-campus Dining
- July 2015 launch RevenueVision for Merchant on Points and Food Trucks
 - Tenders limited to DukeCard Food & Flex accounts
 - Simple commission calculations
 - Opportunity to eliminate maintenance and updates to Excel 1099K reporting spreadsheets
 - Able to load 1 prior year of data for YTY comparison
- July 2016 launch RevenueVision for On-Campus Dining
 - Numerous tenders compared to MOP & Food Trucks
 - More complex commission calculations
 - Ability to track Board plan as a monetary value
 - Single reporting tool for all data sources



Post-Implementation Outcomes RevenueVision® / Quadpoint

- Contracts Repository
 - Procurement loading contracts directly into RevenueVision

- Staff Effort Requirements
 - Managing 54 Contracts with terms in RevenueVision
 - Business rules in RevenueVision drive commission calculations
 - Loading data from source systems as opposed to re-keying
 - Issues identified and resolved more timely



Post-Implementation Outcomes RevenueVision® / Quadpoint

- Systems Flexibility
 - Utilization of Single On-Campus POS = Sequoia Quadpoint
 - Retirement of end of life systems = cost savings
- Reporting & Analysis
 - Centralized data with access available to all who need it
 - Flexible statistics to hold track data from different sources
 - Flexible reporting for generating answers to the "question of the day"
 - Limited use of spreadsheets for reporting (unless exported from RV)



Summary of Benefits

- Proactive rather than reactive
- Reduction of time securing most current contracts
- Better staff resource allocation
- Reduction of keying errors
- Improved accuracy of payments
- Improved response time to issues
- Improved flexibility for reporting
 - ability to report YTY sales with transaction counts
 - ability to report revenue trends from multiple data sources





Next Steps at Duke

- On-Campus Dining
 - Automation of daily data source file creation for load
 - Automation of revenue posting to SAP
 - Automation of over/short posting to SAP
 - Increased flexibility for email report distribution
- Vending
 - data loads from vending companies
- Parking
 - data loads from T2 Systems





Wrap-Up

Questions???

