Title: BuFfBoX

Vision: To build a NAS system enabling easy, cost effective file sharing for University of Colorado students.

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List of requirements: Link to Google sheet:

 $\frac{https://docs.google.com/a/colorado.edu/spreadsheets/d/1cYSddUZGU80wfpTm51AO3zB0zQ8IEOU2UKysiRE1pI4/edit\#gid=0$

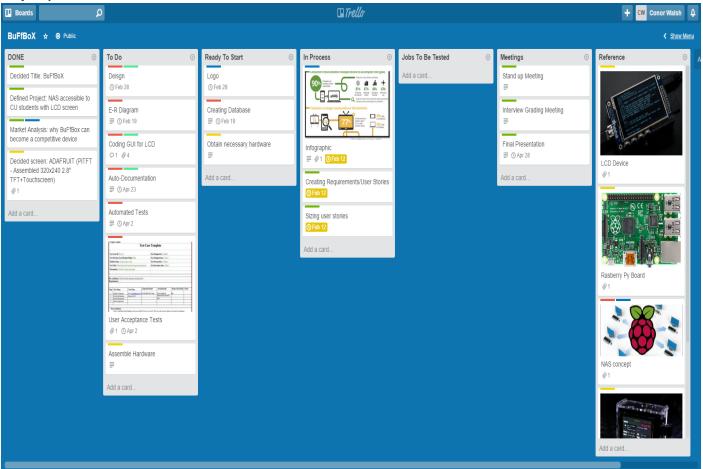
| | | Business | | | |
|-----|------|---|--------------|---|----|
| BF | R.01 | there shall be a web interface through which the users can access the BuFfBoX (Website) | High | | 8 |
| BF | R.02 | there shall be a LOGO identifying the brand and the product in each page of the web-site (Website) | High | | 1 |
| BF | R.03 | there should be a log-in access that asks for user ID and password (Website) | High | | 2 |
| BF | R.04 | access should be restricted to CU student. (Website) | High | | 2 |
| BF | R.05 | there shall be an interface to be able to interact with the device (Device) | High | | 5 |
| BF | R.06 | the board should be protected by a solid case to guarantee protection. (Device) | Low | | 3 |
| | | the screening case must be of a material that has a fusion temperature point above the one reachable | | | |
| BF | R.07 | by the Raspberry Pi board. | High | ? | |
| | | User | | | |
| | | the device shall have a small touchscreen LCD screen of 2.8" that allows an intuitive access to the | | | |
| LIE | R.01 | settings of the NAS. (Device) | High | | 5 |
| | R.02 | the board shall be attached to a power supply that allows the user to access the screen whenever. | High | | 1 |
| _ | R.03 | the board shall have a portable power supply that uses a 5V battery with an autonomy of at least 1 day. | Nice to Have | | 2 |
| ٠. | | the website shall provide dropdown list buttons and a menu driven interface that responds to the input within 1 | | | _ |
| UF | R.04 | second. | Moderate | | |
| | | be present with the possibility to access directly to memory storage and in two steps to status | | | |
| UF | R.05 | information. | Low | | 8 |
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| | | Functional | | | |
| FF | R.01 | Students must be able to successfully login and manage the personal data stored | High | | 8 |
| FF | 2.02 | The login of the students should happen through CU-email and a new created password | High | | 2 |
| | | Students should be able to communicate with customer service efficiently** (email, chat service, ticket, | | | |
| FF | 2.03 | etc) | Nice to Have | | 1 |
| | | Students should be able to interact with other users i.e. commenting on shared files, messaging | | | |
| FF | R.04 | between users, etc. | Nice to Have | | 3 |
| FF | R.05 | Students should see a success message (or receive a confirmation email) after uploading a file. | High | | 5 |
| | | Students should be notified if someone has sent them a message or commented on something | | | |
| FF | R.06 | relating to them. | Moderate | | 3 |
| FF | R.07 | Students should have access to a "Forget Password" option on the website. | Moderate | | 3 |
| | | Non-Functional | | | |
| | | the operative system of the Rasberry Pi device shall be able to manage the access of multiple users at the same | | | |
| NF | R.01 | time without crashing for overflow of data. | High | | 13 |
| NF | R.02 | the interactive GUI created for the LCD interface shall be smooth and accept touch screen inputs. | High | | 8 |
| | | The website should allow for Single Sign-on so users don't have to input their passwords/usernames | J | | |
| NF | R.03 | each time. | Low | | 5 |
| | | the device must be compact and small to allow manageability. The apparatus shall be able travel in | | | |
| NF | R.04 | small spaces like a purse or a backpack | Low | | 1 |
| | R.05 | the web interface shall be utilizable by the most used operating systems (ie Windows and Mac); | High | | 2 |
| | R.06 | the login access of each user shall be password protected using an alphanumeric security key | High | | 5 |
| | | degree of scalability. The type of RAID configuration shall be picked by the end user depending on | 3 | | , |
| NF | R.07 | his/her needs. | Low | | 8 |
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Methodology: Agile

Project Tracking software: Trello

Link to project tracking software: https://trello.com/b/fZ5zwvtp/buffbox

Project plan:



Extra Credit:

Market Analysis

BuFfBoX

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Target Market

According to the Parthenon Group, a "strategic advisor of choice for CEOs and business leaders worldwide," there are six main segments to the college student population. If you wish to look more closely into the Prthenon Group's Study please follow this link:

http://www.parthenon.com/GetFile.aspx?u=%2fLists%2fThoughtLeadership%2fAttachments%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThoughtLeadership%2f85%2fThought

Below is a quick review of each of these segments and if BuFfBoX will be targeting these groups.

Below is a quick summary. I highlighted the segments I thought we could target with our product:

- Aspiring Academics (24%) "Traditional Student"
 - \circ 18 24 years old
 - o Pursuing an academic career
 - Usually fairly affluent
 - o BuFfBoX Target Segment?
 - Yes traditional students have an increasing need for data reliability, data sharing, and data storage. The BuFfBoX will meet all three needs.
- Coming of Age (11%) "Growing up"
 - \circ 18 24 years old
 - o Usually have resources to academically "dabble"
 - o BuFfBoX Target Segment?
 - Yes although less focused on academics, any college student has both social and academic data needs. From sharing movies to storing and sharing music, most college students will need BuFfBox's ability to collaborate.
- Career Starter (18%) "Jobs, Jobs, Jobs"
 - \circ 18 24 years old
 - College as tool to pursue career
 - o BuFfBoX Target Segment?

- Yes when building a portfolio or resume college those students focused on jobs after graduation will want a reliable storage system for all their college work. The BuFfBoX will provide these students with this ability.
- Career Accelerator (21%) "Continuing Education"
 - O Usually 24+ years old
 - o Use nontraditional delivery methods like online classes
 - o BuFfBoX Target Segment?
 - Yes due to the nontraditional delivery methods often used by these students, especially online classes, these students will need a place to easily store all their school data. BuFfBoX is the perfect device for these students.
- Industry Switchers (18%) ""
 - o 24+ years old
 - o less affluent
 - o using college as opportunity to switch paths
 - o BuFfBoX Target Segment?
 - No will probably be priced out
- Academic Wanderer (8%) "At risk"
 - o 24+ years old
 - o least affluent of groups
 - o least likely to graduate
 - o most likely to be dissatisfied by college experience
 - o BuFfBoX Target Segment?

■ No – will probably be priced out

Competitors

At first I split competitors into two categories, software competitors and hardware competitors. However, after a little research I don't think BuFfBoX will be competing with software providers, like Dropbox. We will not be able to compete with them in monetary or convenience terms. Additionally, you have to trust Dropbox with your data. What differentiates us from providers like Dropbox is the ability to have protected data. Therefore, we only have hardware competitors.

Below are summaries of the three devices that will probably be our chief competitors. This is chiefly due to price and quality. Among the top rated NAS devices only three were within what we believe will be our price range. Once we found our proper price range we only wanted to examine the best in the business as competitors so as to understand the level of quality we wish to achieve.

1. Seagate Central (http://www.pcmag.com/article2/0,2817,2424411,00.asp)

\$219.99 (MSRP)

| Pro | Con |
|---|-----------------|
| Easy Setup | Runs hot |
| Fast Read/Write speed | Only 4TB |
| Integration with Facebook and other media devices | Performance lag |

2. WD My Cloud Mirror (http://www.pcmag.com/article2/0,2817,2459697,00.asp)

\$399.99 (MSRP) – Probably at the very high end of our competitors in terms of price

| Pros | Cons |
|-----------------|-------------------|
| I/O performance | 512MB default RAM |

| User-friendly interface | No folder management in UI |
|-------------------------|----------------------------|
| Personal Cloud Service | No printer support for USB |
| RAID 0 and 1 | |
| Scalable | |

3. Transporter (http://www.pcmag.com/article2/0,2817,2417258,00.asp)

\$199 (MSRP)

| Pros | Cons |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Retain full control of data | Need to know other users' email |
| Affordable | Not very fast W/R |
| Easy to sync and back up | No built-in wireless |
| Can access remote NAS over web | |
| Mac, Windows, iOS, Android support | |
| Cross platform | |

BuFfBoX Competitive Advantages

Price – a product that is no more expensive than our competitors

Convenience – a product that will fulfill our customer's needs more efficiently than our competitors.

Scalability – a product to meet whatever needs our customers must have.

Reliability and Security – Because this is not cloud storage our customers will have more control of and protection around their data.

Infographic:



An NAS device for the hard working college student

Market Analysis

Below is BuFfBoX's analysis of the exciting opportunities our device provides college students

Target Market (College Students)



Aspiring Academics (24%)

Coming of Age (11%)

Industry Switchers (18%)

Academic Wanderer (8%)

BuFfBoX Tragets

Aspiring Academics, Coming of Age, Career Starter, and Career Accelerator a total of 76% of the market!

WHY??

These segments have both the need and means to enjoy our product to the fullest

Competitors

Seagate Central (\$219.99 MSRP)

Biggest Danger Posed to BuFfBox: Integration with Facebook

BuFfBoX competitive advantage: Scalability and Storage Space WD My Cloud Mirror (\$399.99 MSRP)

Biggest Danger Posed to BuFfBox: 1/0 performance and quality UI

BuFfBoX competitive advantage: Price

Transporter (\$199 MSRP)

Biggest Danger Posed to BuFfBox: Cross platform integration and data reliability and security

BuFfBoX competitive advantage: Read and Write speed and wireless capabilities