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Assignment 3-2

**Status Evaluation**

The status of the project is in disarray. The company itself isn’t sure if the project is on track to finish on the deadline. There are many things to pick apart from this project gone bad, but the main summary is that the project is not going to be finished on time and the client is going to be very upset on top of the anger they are already feeling.

**Project Analysis**

Due to the current state of the project and management over the project the budget has been blown. Its only option is to bring in more help to be able to complete the project. The management that was originally over the project has left and we need to be able to bring in someone who has experience in the field and is able to pick up the project and bring it to completion. I would recommend bringing in multiple managers to ensure that the project has the correct people and is able to get done on the management side. This will also help with communication to the client and shareholders. Furthermore, great management will be able to find and bring in more experienced engineers able and willing to finish the project. The current costs are already over budget and bringing in more team members will be the only viable way to save the project. The actual costs that will occur will be way over budget with all the new team members trying to bail out the project.

**Impact of the past**

Looking into the past of our major problem is bad communication, management, and lack of knowledge. From my point of view, it seems that management jumped into a contract with a client without speaking with the engineers about what they are capable of. Management thought that they could just train the engineers on the project, but this isn’t a learning project, and it was for a client. This happens often in the world of software due to lack of communication with the engineers. Product managers tend to think they know more than the engineers do and end up in a bind by not clearly speaking with the engineers about timelines.

**Corrective Actions**

The due date of the project should be March 1st of the following year. This gives the company time to find and make the changes needed. Starting with management they will need three new managers over the project one communicating with the engineers and another communicating with the stakeholders and the other mangers. The final manager will be focused on finding advanced engineers that are familiar with the work and able to make large contributions to the project within weeks after starting. This project sadly needs to be picked up by some more experienced engineers and cannot be left to others without experience. To ensure long lasting support the new more experienced engineers after finishing the project will have to spend some time teaching the other engineers how to use it. It’s very common for this outer group of experienced engineers to be contractors able to just focus on the work and not the politics of the job place.

**Project Charter**

**Project**: Wellness Vender

**Project manager**: John Current

**Project Vision Statement**: The purpose of this project is to build a better medical software for VP Operations to replace their current software.

**Project Strategy:**

1. Replace current project manager (no one since John quit) with three new mangers. One focused on the product, one on communication and one focused on making sure everything is on track.
2. Next, we will hire a new team of engineers and/or contractors that are able to pick the work up and immediately make improvements.
3. The new communications manager will be building/researching new ways to communicate internally to keep efficiency in the team at a highest.
4. Our current best solution is to meet the deadline that we have, and we will have to take a loss on our budget for this project due to poor management.

**Project Communications Planning:**

1. We will have immediate communication to the managers, execs and stake/shareholders.
2. This information will be provided twice every week. Mondays with the plan of the week and Fridays with how the progress went throughout the week.
3. If there is any interruption or the plan doesn’t look like it will be filled Friday there will be a document/paper stating the reason and what happened sent on all the communication channels.
4. This information will be given from three sources. One will be the designers of the project and software. Next will be the engineers/developers building the project. Lastly will be the Quality Assurance team that will be going through everything that is designed and will be tested to the highest standard to ensure reliability.