Agile Open Jam

Analysis and Product Management in Agile

Building Business Capability

Hollywood FL

4-5 November 2014
Posters Invited Participants
Totals
44 proposed topics
30 discussions

Themes
roles in agile
stories
transitioning to agile
Discussion posters
Facilitators
Deep discussions
BA role in Agile

What is a BA's Role in Agile?

1. What a BA does in Agile — depends on:
   - Flex

2. How to know when a BA crosses into:
   - Work/Grilles
   - Scrum master

3. IF line needs to go away between 2 -3 days, meet with:
   - Scrum master
   - 1st (1)
   - 2nd (1)
   - 3rd (1)
   - 4th (1)
Thinking like a user story
UI intensive projects

Effectively breaking-up UI intensive projects into business value driven stories.

Flow/page dependencies

Upfront planning
UI flow

Iterations
Culture vertical slicing 1+done

Cross

Stories
Dev

Reg, Request/Backlog/Art

Release
Deployment/Iterate/no Iteration

Scrum Validation/By users

Front-end vs backend resource dependencies

Cost of stubbing/Issue w/horizontal

Specialized resources

Partial allocation
Product Owner in IT
Agile w/ Batch Pricing

#12 Agile w/ Batch Processes

**Pro**
- Early Discovery
- Smaller Testing internally
- Smaller Risk (incremental build)
- Team more engaged in the requirements
- Building Infrastructure piece (shell to start with)
- Early Value

**Con**
- Can't work w/ Production until all components are ready for delivery
- Still need to do higher level planning
- Balance between Front Running & JIT (just in time)

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Aging Backlog

#24 Aging Backlog: What to do with the old, out of scope requirements?

- Grandad's attic
- Recursive removal
- Periodic archive review
- Use criteria
  - Life cycle discussion
  - Teen Backlog
  - Critical - ever
  - Retention criteria
    - Reach
    - Thresholds
    - Cost-benefit
Agile collaboration w offshore
Agile & Healthcare
Transition trad PMO to Agile
Project Mgmt vs Product Owner
Scrum Master
Agile & BI
Deliver fixed features, fixed date

How to deliver fixed features on a fixed date (when needed)

1. Visual reminder of clearly stated, compelling reason for hitting the date. Preferably expressed as measurable benefit like revenue ↑ target.
2. Add to product backlog stories for biz processes change mgmt activities like training.
3. Be very careful in making commitments to stakeholders when a team is newly formed.
Small stories

How do you make user stories small enough for a Sprint??

Big projects = Big stories

Agile is a Marathon... not a Sprint.
“awesome to talk w other agile practitioners…”

“powerful and valuable…”

“great to understand we’re not alone in the challenges…”

“great sharing possible solutions…”

“very quick and fun…”
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