

## July 2020 Task Force Report: Cloud Solutions

The task force to investigate cloud solutions for our organization was commissioned at the April 2020 meeting of the AVVA Board of Directors. Members of the task force include Region 6 Director, Rick Talford , Region 2 Director, Bobbie Morris. and National Secretary, Nina Schloffel (chair).

Our charter was to research various cloud solution packages to determine the best fit for our specific organizational requirements. As a non-profit, our requirements include;

- adequate data storage capacity
- secure storage for sensitive data
- easily defined and secure file structures
- online, offsite accessibility across various types of devices
- system management tools
- data loss prevention mechanisms
- file sharing and collaboration features
- file synchronization
- suite of 'office' type applications
- cost effectiveness

The task force examined the following cloud offerings:

- Google Cloud
- Dropbox Business
- Tesorit
- Box
- OneDrive for Business

While each of the above solutions are good candidates for AVVA's data storage/management requirements, our recommendation is OneDrive for Business. The task force is formalizing its recommendations, constructing a data management tool, and a drafting a proposed migration strategy. Upon completion, the task force will present said information to the board for consideration. Our target for this presentation is early to mid-September.

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