

Meeting: LLC Board

Date: July 10, 2024

Attendees

LLC Board:

Roman Danyliw
Jason Livingood
Mirjam Kühne
Sean Turner
Shauna Turner

Staff/Secretariat:

Sean Croghan
Jay Daley
Sandy Ginoza
Stephanie McCammon
Debbie Sasser
Robert Sparks
Greg Wood
Lisa Winkler

Observers/Guests:

None

Scribe:

Michelle Cotton

Conflicts of Interest Declared:

None.

Part I: Open to the Public

1. Record e-vote results

Two e-votes have been completed since the previous Board meeting.

a. The June 12, 2024 LLC Board Meeting minutes were approved with the board e-voting as follows:

Roman Danyliw: YES
Mirjam Kühne: Abstain
Jason Livingood: YES
Sean Turner: YES
Shauna Turner: YES

b. The April 2024 Financial Statements were approved with the board e-voting as follows:

Roman Danyliw: No Vote
Mirjam Kühne: YES
Jason Livingood: YES
Sean Turner: YES
Shauna Turner: YES

2. Review & approve prior month's financial statement

Debbie Sasser reported the May 2024 Financial Statements were circulated to the board and an e-vote was underway. Working on flipping the budget to 2025.

3. Update on the IETF's technical work

Roman Danyliw reports that the IESG recently performed a Last Call for a posting rights (PR) action for someone who violated the code of conduct. This Last Call concluded with an approval of the action. For context, this is an uncommon action in the IETF.

This action also generated feedback from the community about the PR action mechanism. In the read-out of the Last Call, the IESG has observed the community has suggested the need for a more systemic approach to moderation and announced the creation of a new forum for that discussion. The IESG's recommendation is that the IETF needs a smaller, narrowly focused working group to do this policy work.

Pursuant to Step 4b of the "Venue identification and selection" process defined by the IETF LLC, the IESG has been asked to assess the viability of a meeting in China for IETF 125. To gather feedback, the IESG launched a community survey that will close the Saturday after IETF 120. The IESG plans to assess this input, deliberate, and return an answer to the LLC by early September. Thank you to Jay Daley and others for their support in administering the survey.

4. Executive Director Report - Public

Public Executive Director Report

For the IETF Administration LLC Board meeting on 10 July 2024

This report is provided by the IETF Executive Director and is read through at the meeting as it is not available to observers. This report is public and there is no separate confidential report.

1. Strategic Matters

Nothing to report.

2. Policies

Antitrust I-D

Following last call feedback, a hopefully [final version](#) of the antitrust I-D has been published. It is now up to the IESG/AD to take it forward.

Venue requirements I-D

Following last call feedback, a hopefully final version is being discussed by the authors (Jay Daley, Sean Turner) with a view to publication before IETF 120.

3. Finance

Audit

The audit is now complete and the audited accounts have been [posted](#) on our website.

4. RFPs and contracts

Nothing to report.

5. Meetings

IETF 120 Vancouver

The registration stats as of 2 July are:

Onsite:	765
Remote:	288
Overall Total Registrants:	1,053
Hackathon	
Onsite:	322
Remote:	23
Total:	345
Fee Waiver	
Issued:	118
Used:	111
Donations Total:	\$26,572.00
OFAC List:	5

Days Remaining until IETF Meeting: 18

Trending less than IETF 118 Prague (around 350 attendees less) and trending less than IETF 117 San Francisco (around 200 attendees) overall at this time.

In addition to the previously reported concerns over the availability of affordable hotel rooms, we have also had reports of visa applications being rejected and others still to be processed after some months. The Canadian government is open to us communicating with them directly about visa issues and so we have been providing information in support of applications where we are confident that the applications are genuine. Separately, we have one person trying hard to get us to provide a letter of invitation and visa support who has not registered for the meeting and has no history of mailing list participation, and so we continue to refuse this request.

IETF 124 Montreal

This venue has now been booked and [announced](#).

6. Tools/IPC/RSWG/RSCE

Infrastructure migration including mail migration

With the exception of the mail migration, the rest of our services have been migrated away from AMS. This includes Datatracker, website, RFC server and more. However, we are still obliged to pay the full cost of the AMS service until the mail infrastructure is moved and given that we are now up against the change embargo in place before IETF 120, this is likely to mean that it will not be completed until August.

Additionally, some of the services that were initially migrated to AWS by our original contractor are still running there and incurring a significant maintenance charge. Again, the plan is to move these off during August.

The mail migration was aborted at the last minute, when it became apparent that the contractor was not ready for the migration, despite multiple assurances in the days leading up to it that they were. The CEO is conducting an internal review and we expect to hear the results of that before the board meeting.

Just before the planned mail migration, a number of community members raised objections that our chosen service for sending email, Amazon SES, does not support IPv6 (this only affects outgoing email not incoming). I replied [at length](#), summarising our position and apologising for poor communications, which we are addressing but otherwise noting that our plans are unchanged. Ultimately, we provide an excellent community engagement opportunity with the monthly tools meeting, but very few people are joining those, and we need more engagement so that issues like this are highlighted much earlier in the process.

7. IESG/IAB/IRTF/Trust

IESG assessment of feasibility of a meeting in China

The IESG have announced their plan and by the time of the board meeting, the survey should be well underway.

8. Communications/Outreach

Meeting outreach

Coordination with, and outreach, to local communities has begun for IETF 121 Dublin and IETF 122 Bangkok. This represents a shift from past practice, where meeting-related communications and outreach efforts began only after the previous meeting concluded. By the end of the year we expect to have in place by the end a rolling 1-year-ahead effort, one goal of which is to provide more opportunity for potential IETF participants in meeting regions to plan to attend in person.

9. Fundraising

IETF 120 plans

These will be provided verbally during the Board + Senior Staff section.

10. Miscellaneous

Nothing to report.

5. AOB & Questions from Observers

None

Part II: Board + Staff

1. IETF 120 Fundraising Update

Fundraising plans for the 120 meeting were discussed.

2. AOB - Select IESG Retreat Readout

During the recent IESG retreat, the IESG discussed the “Experience of Women in the IETF” report . An action plan was developed. The moderation mailing list noted in the PR action summary above was one of those action items. Other discussions included potentially growing that Ombudsteam with non-community members; and providing additional guidance around document/WG contributions. Discussions will continue with related groups.

Part III: Board + ED Only

1. IASA2 Retrospective

Jason noted this is still in his queue - no updates.

2. RPC

Jay provided an update on this discussion.

3. AOB

None

Part IV: Board Only

1. IETF NomCom Discussion

The board finalized Shauna's selection as liaison to the NomCom. Board members that have served as liaison previously shared their experiences and advice for the role. Shauna will review the requirements for last year and circulate any updates to the board for review and comment.

2. AOB

None