

PEERINGDB BOARD MEETING

Friday, 29 July 2022 1500h UTC

Teleconference

MINUTES

Approved by Board, May 8th, 2023

Attendees:

Patrick W. Gilmore, Director, Admin Committee Chair

Aaron Hughes, President/Chair, Director

Christopher Malayter, Director

Stephen McManus, Product Committee Chair

Ben Ryall, Outreach Committee Chair

Bijal Sanghani, Director

Job Snijders, Vice President, Director, Operations Committee Chair

Leo Vegoda, Product Manager

Note Taker:

Chris Caputo, Secretary/Treasurer

1. Aaron welcomed everyone at 1504 UTC, noting that Christopher Malayter was not present.
2. Election of Officers.

Unanimous votes as follows:

President: Aaron Hughes

(Patrick Gilmore nominated and Job Snijders seconded)

Vice President: Job Snijders

(Patrick Gilmore nominated and Bijal Sanghani seconded)

It was moved by Aaron Hughes, and seconded by Job Snijders, that:

"Chris Caputo to remain Secretary/Treasurer until the Chair, with approval of the Board, names a replacement and the candidate accepts the offer. Chris Caputo's term will end and the new candidate's term will begin as Secretary/Treasurer on whatever date Mr. Caputo and the new candidate mutually agree."

The motion carried with no objections.

3. The Chair called the meeting to order at 1512h UTC.

4. Adoption of Meeting Minutes.

It was moved by Patrick Gilmore, and seconded by Job Snijders, that:

"The PeeringDB Board adopts the January 13th, 2021 Board Meeting Minutes, as written."

The motion carried with no objections.

5. Committee Statuses.

a. Outreach Committee.

Ben, as chair of the Outreach Committee, gave an update.

Due to COVID-19, there have not been many recent in-person industry meetings. The committee is working to re-engage with the community as things open up more. The committee is working to recruit more volunteers so as to increase geographical representation.

b. Admin Committee.

Patrick, as chair of the Admin Committee, gave an update.

The committee is seeking more volunteers so as to better distribute the workload.

There are continued efforts to develop automated methods for object verification. Increased automation is sought to reduce committee workload.

Periodic customer service training is being considered for committee members. The committee members are open to the idea of training if it does not take too long.

Committee-specific t-shirts are of interest.

c. Product Committee.

Stephen, as chair of the Product Committee, gave an update.

[At this point, Christopher Malayter joined the meeting.]

The committee is seeking more volunteers so as to better distribute the workload.

There has been a good monthly pace of releases. Hackathons have contributed innovations to the code base. Amazon Web Services has been contributing code improvements to the security of the product.

Chris Caputo asked about end-user testing of releases prior to production release. Steve says the committee is considering the need for improvements in this area.

d. Operations Committee.

Job, as chair of the Operations Committee, gave an update.

The initial deployment of API rate limiting was not as smooth as it should have been, so there was a rollback of limits followed by better engagement with the community. Increased rate limiting is happening slowly, with notifications of adjustments being shared with the pdb-tech mailing list:

<https://lists.peeringdb.com/cgi-bin/mailman/listinfo/pdb-tech>

DMARC/DKIM/SPF has been deployed to improve the security of email from PeeringDB.

New volunteers are joining the committee.

6. Product Manager Update.

Leo gave an update.

The primary PeeringDB developer 20C is increasingly being asked to help with the design of features, in addition to the coding of features.

User Experience (UX) improvements are being contributed by the community.

The next user survey is expected in September.

7. Sponsorships.

Chris Caputo gave an update.

Chris noted that per his recommendation, the Board recently raised the exclusive Diamond \$25,000/year sponsor limit from 2 to 10 donors.

More sponsorships at any level are always welcome:

https://docs.peeringdb.com/misc/PeeringDB_Sponsorship_Levels.pdf

8. Other Business.

In the context of a search for a new Secretary/Treasurer, Job spoke about the option of the duties being handled by an organization rather than an individual such as done with the IETF. This idea is being explored while also welcoming individuals to consider this paid role.

[At this point, Ben, Leo, and Stephen departed the meeting.]

9. Directors & Officers Session.

10. Adjournment.

The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Bijal Sanghani moved to adjourn, and Job Snijders seconded. The meeting adjourned at 1604h UTC with no objections.