

USENIX Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, August 20, 2020, 12:00 p.m.-1:00 p.m. PDT/3:00-4:00 p.m. EDT
via Zoom video conference
Minutes

Attendance

Board:

Cat Allman
Kurt Andersen
Arvind Krishnamurthy
Laura Nolan
Kurt Opsahl
Amy Rich
Hakim Weatherspoon

Staff:

Natalie DeJarlais
Casey Henderson
Ginny Staubach

Rich called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m. PDT

Agenda:

1. Resignation of Treasurer

Bailey has resigned from the Board. He was the Treasurer. Opsahl previously served as Treasurer and is willing to step in to fill this role again. Rich and Henderson recommended this course of action. This leaves one At Large position to be filled. Following consultation with Bailey, they suggest Will Enck, a member of the security community as is Bailey, to fill the At Large vacancy. Henderson and Rich have approached him and he is agreeable to filling the position if asked by the Board.

Rich called for a motion for Opsahl to take the role of Treasurer immediately. Note: Opsahl abstained from this vote.

Andersen moved that Opsahl take the Treasurer position immediately. Weatherspoon seconded the motion. Seven voted in favor; none opposed.

Rich called for a motion for Will Enck to be made a member of the USENIX Board of Directors effective tomorrow.

Allman moved for Enck to be made an at large Board of Directors member effective tomorrow August 21, 2020. Arvind seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

Will Enck joined the meeting as a guest at 12:10 p.m.

Henderson offered deep appreciation for Bailey's years of service and noted that he will continue to fulfill the significant role of USENIX Security '21 Program Co-Chair.

Rich called upon each person present to introduce themselves to Will and vice versa. Introductions were made.

2. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Rich called for a motion to approve the minutes of the previous meeting.

Opsahl moved to approve the minutes. Allman seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

3. Upcoming Events: PEPR '20 and OSDI '20

Henderson presented information regarding the need to cancel two more in-person events. Rich called for a motion.

Allman moved to cancel the in-person PEPR '20 and OSDI '20 events and to virtualize both of them in 2020. Nolan seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

4. Executive Session

The Executive session was called at 12:18 p.m. PDT

In the executive session, the following motion was considered and approved for public release:

Andersen moved to suspend the following events in 2021 and to provide the Steering Committees of each event permission to operate their events without USENIX's support if they choose: Vault, HotCloud, HotStorage, HotEdge, CSET, FOCI, HotSec, ScAINet, WOOT, OpML, and PEPR. Nolan seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

Andersen moved to adjourn the Executive session and the meeting. Allman seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

The Executive session was adjourned at 12:55 p.m. PDT

Meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m. PDT

