

USENIX Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, April 27, 2023, 10:00-11:00 a.m. PDT/1:00-2:00 p.m. EDT
via Zoom video conference
Minutes

Attendance

Board:

Kurt Andersen

Theophilus Benson -- joined at 10:08 am PDT

Fatema Boxwala -- joined at 10:05 am PDT

Will Enck

Lea Kissner

Arvind Krishnamurthy

Laura Nolan

Amy Rich

Staff:

Casey Henderson

Jessica Kim

Ginny Staubach

Guests:

Burton Li, Sutro Li

Robin Smith, Sutro Li

Rich called the meeting to order at 10:03 am PDT/1:03 pm EDT

Agenda

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Andersen moved to accept the minutes as presented. Enck seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.
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2. 2023 Budget

Henderson introduced Li and Smith of Sutro Li and proceeded to present the 2023 budget. She noted that she and Treasurer Andersen had reviewed the budget together. Henderson outlined current trends that are affecting USENIX's financial position. She and Andersen responded to questions posed by the Directors. Henderson asked Li to explain the budget in terms of the

balance sheet and year-over-year projections, which he proceeded to do. Discussion ensued. Rich called for a motion to vote on the budget.

Anderson moved to approve the 2023 Budget as presented. Boxwala seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

3. Banking Update

Henderson reported that given the situation with First Republic Bank, the organization has been pursuing other banking options. She thanked Kissner for introducing the JPMorgan Chase representatives and announced that new accounts are being opened at Chase Bank, which will become USENIX's primary bank.

4. Conferences Update

a. SREcon23 Americas

Henderson called upon Boxwala, Nolan, and Andersen to report on SREcon23 Americas. Boxwala reported that the hallway track was good. She noted an increase in smaller companies represented at the conference. Nolan seconded Boxwala's comments, adding that overall the content was good. She commented that fewer companies were hiring. Andersen added that attendance was very healthy for a first return to an entirely in-person conference since the pandemic.

b. NSDI '23

Henderson reported that NSDI '23 went well. The student meet-up occurred for the first time since pre-pandemic and was very well received. Birds-of-a-Feather sessions were healthy and appreciated by attendees. All signs point to this event thriving and growing. Krishnamurthy noted that large numbers of papers are being submitted. Benson felt that the conference was very positive.

Rich called for a motion to adjourn to Executive Session.

Krishnamurthy moved to adjourn to Executive Session. Benson seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

The Board entered Executive Session at 10:55 am PDT.

5. Executive Session

Meeting adjourned at 11:01 am PDT.

William H. Enck