USENIX Board of Directors Meeting Wednesday, February 21, 2024, 8:00 am–9:00 am PST / 11:00 am–12:00 pm EST via Zoom video conference

Minutes

Attendance

Board:

Kurt Andersen
Theophilus Benson -- joined at 8:04 am PST
Fatema Boxwala
Will Enck
Lea Kissner
Arvind Krishnamurthy -- joined at 8:29 am PST
Laura Nolan
Amy Rich

Staff:

Casey Henderson-Ross Jessica Kim Ginny Staubach

Rich called the meeting to order at 8:05 am PST/11:05 am EST

Agenda

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Andersen moved to approve the January meeting minutes as presented; Boxwala seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

2. Upcoming Conferences

Henderson-Ross reported on the two most upcoming 2024 conferences, FAST '24 and SREcon24 Americas. Henderson-Ross shared data on attendance trends at FAST and described the strength of its community and her anticipation of lively scholarship and discussion at this year's event. Andersen described program highlights for SREcon24 Americas.

3. Upcoming CRA Board Meeting

Henderson introduced an additional agenda item on behalf of Krishnamurthy, USENIX's representative on the CRA Board, in advance of the upcoming CRA Board meeting, during

which Krishnamurthy would provide the USENIX Board's perspective. The directors provided feedback for Krishnamurthy's consideration.

4. Al Tools in Conference Submissions and Reviews

Benson, Enck, and Krishnamurthy sought feedback on the appropriate use of AI within the academic community, specifically related to the preparation of papers for submission and to the peer review process. There is an expectation of eventual changes to the USENIX conference submissions policy and guidelines for reviewers once consensus is reached. Discussion ensued, concluding with plans to continue the discussion.

Enck moved to adjourn the meeting; Andersen seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:58 am PST / 12:58 pm EST

William HEnck