

USENIX Association

Board of Directors Meeting

October 11, 2012

Minutes, 10/11/12

Attendance:

Board:

Margo Seltzer
Dan Wallach
Brian Noble
Carolyn Rowland
David Blank-Edelman
Sasha Fedorova

Joining by Phone

Niels Provos

Not present

John Arrasjid

Staff:

Anne Dickison
Casey Henderson
Jessica Horst
Joey Schwartz
Rik Farrow
Anthony Riley

Joining by Phone

Toni Veglia

Prior notice of the meeting was given to the BOD and USENIX.

9:00 a.m. - Meeting begins, all present except Niels Provos (on the phone) and John Arrasjid

Minutes of the previous BOD conference call on September 10, 2012 approved. Motion made, seconded and carried. All present approved the minutes.

The BOD and staff discussed ideas to get better data for decision making.
The BOD and staff discussed the future of co-located workshops.

10:00-10:15 a.m. Break

Provos leaves the meeting (via phone) - 10:09 a.m.

Continuation of Workshop discussion after the break.

Action Item(s)

- Noble to assemble potential list of invited talk speakers and topics for ATC

BOD liaisons are going to become more involved in the conference organization process. There is a document for BOD liaisons:

https://www.usenix.org/sites/default/files/usenix_bod_liaison_duties041212.pdf

The board and staff discussed a hybrid submission process that could lead to a published journal. It would have a two-round submission process. If you get rejected in round one then you can revise and resubmit. You are guaranteed to get the same reviewers in round two.

- Motion to authorize Dan to identify editors-in-chief for new experimental journal that will be a hybrid journal/conference for EVT/WOTE. All present in favor. Provos and Arrasjid not present or on the phone.

Action Item(s)

- Wallach to assemble editors-in-chief for EVT/WOTE

ACM/IEEE digital libraries and inclusion of USENIX content. Is a digital library republishing or more like the local library (which is housing the content but not republishing). Goal is to see if it is a violation for ACM to publish our papers in their digital library in the first year after publication with USENIX.

Action Item(s)

- Brian and USENIX Executive Directors talk to USENIX attorney about USENIX publication clause.

12:00-1:00 p.m. Lunch, Trousdale

1:00 p.m. Provos returns to the meeting via phone.

The USENIX system administrators gave the BOD an update on the internal and external systems and networking.

- Motion made to authorize expense of \$200/month for offsite backups. Approved by all present. Arrasjid not present or on the phone.

First ;login: magazine with Rikki Endsley as the managing editor is published.

USENIX is going to survey the readership.

USENIX will also be doing a community (non-member) survey in 2013

Discussion of whether to make ;login: completely digital. We already offer an option to members to receive ;login: only in digital form or retain a paper subscription.

Discussion of streaming for conference content.

The next BOD meeting is December 10th at LISA. The next community BOD meeting is December 11th in the evening.

The EDs presented conference reports.

2:30-2:45: Break

Discussed updating of USENIX mission statement.

Action Item(s)

- EDs to draft an update to the mission statement and send it to the BOD.

4:10-4:25: Break

Discussion of marketing, membership benefits, and future services to members and the community.

BOD reviewed action items per BOD member.

Action Item(s)

- Taking Awards Committee POC, work with Clem Cole and other members of the awards committee to transition. - Noble
- Remove Noble from Information Systems committee.

Discussion of importance of good works including subsidizing student attendance to events.

December 10th in San Diego. There will be a meet and greet on Tuesday evening.

Meeting adjourned 5:31.

