

IETF Trust Call at 11:15 AM EST, Thursday, December 18, 2008

Participants:

Lynn St. Amour	[Not Present]
Fred Baker	[Present]
Bob Hinden	[Present]
Russ Housley	[Not Present]
Ole Jacobsen	[Present]
Ed Juskevicius, Chair	[Present]
Olaf Kolkman	[Present]
Ray Pelletier	[Present]
Jonne Soininen	[Present]
Marshall Eubanks, Secretary	[Present]
Jorge Contreras	[Guest; Counsel]

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Trust Agenda

1. RFC 5378 & Trust Policy Implementation Update

Online 5378 License Grant

2. Minutes

Minutes of Prior Meetings

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The Chair brought the IETF Trust meeting to order and asked Marshall to do a roll call.

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#### 1. RFC 5378 & Trust Policy Implementation Update - Online 5378 License Grant

The Trustees discussed RFC 5378, the Trust Legal Provisions for IETF Documents and their implementation. The discussion included comments from the Trust counsel and are considered confidential. The following is an excerpt of the discussion.

Ray noted that RFC 5378 is in the Trust policy statement and that the Tools have been updated. The "Note Well" has also been updated, the contributor 5378 license is on line. Ray noted that in the community there is confusion as to the date of implementation. While it seems clear that it is when the RFC was published (November 10), some people wonder if it was when the boilerplate was switched over (Dec 16) or the "Note Well" was changed (Dec 17). The Trust has not commented officially in this matter.

Ray said the bigger problem is the hybrid documents, Internet-Drafts with text from pre-RFC 5378 included. Ray said that under RFC 5378 there is no way forward for hybrid documents unless all contributors for earlier text have signed the license. Ray mentioned that there are 125 docs in the RFC Editor queue, and the RFC editor has stopped publishing all of those except maybe for independent submissions.

Bob asked if old documents approved by the IESG before RFC 5378 could go forward. Jorge agreed that it would be a good idea to modify RFC 5378. Scott

Bradner and he wrote RFC 5378 and they can submit a bis draft. It took about 18 months to approve RFC 5378.

Ed mentioned that if Jorge can put something simple together to get something reviewed internally and then sent out to the community for discussion the Trust might have something that they could adopt in January.

Olaf noted that something needs to be communicated to the IETF before Christmas, and Russ would be the person to do that.

Bob asked if the Trust can do this as an erratum. Olaf noted that the errata process is not intended for substantive changes.

Ed asked where the discussion on this would occur in San Francisco. The IPR working group is now "concluded." Olaf noted that a BOF is easy to organize.

Olaf said that before sending it to the community the Trust Chairs should have a good discussion and then, as Trust Chair, should send this with coordination with Russ.

Ed agrees. There will be no communications to the community on this without unanimity between the Trust and the IAB and IETF chairs.

Ray said that there is a need to approve the process to give RFC 5378 rights to the Trust. On the screen is an outline of a RFC 5378 contributor license. One issue here is how to authenticate contributors.

Olaf mentioned that the Trust has given rights to the IEEE.

Jonne said that happens rarely, but there is the code component - that would happen more often.

Jorge noted that was another reason; in RFC 3978 the code license was just for MIBs and PIBs and some specific things. Ed said that the Trust would have some licenses for some documents but would never get all of them. He questioned if this is worth the cost. Jonne noted that the Trust can just work case by case.

Ray noted that Ed is going to prepare an announcement, and he was going to start working with AMS to permit people to contribute their rights using an on-line form. In the end all of this will go into some searchable database, and he anticipates that the list will be online.

Olaf mentioned that the RFC Editor had questions and wondered who has the token on that. Ray said that as the liaison on their contract, that would guess that would be him. He noted that there are two different issues - progressing RFCs, and publishing them with the boilerplate.

Ed said that every RFC with a November date was published after 10 November. Recall that the RFC Editor held up the publication of several documents until RFC 5377 and RFC 5378 were published first.

## 2. Minutes

A motion to adopt the minutes of January 24, and ratify the e-vote approving the July 3, July 17 and July 28, 2008 minutes was made by Ed, seconded by Ray. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion to adjourn the IETF Trust meeting was made by Ed. The motion passed unanimously.

Meeting ended at 12:12 PM EST