

Trust Meeting 2013-06-20 10:45 EDT

Jari Arkko [PRESENT]
Scott Bradner [PRESENT]
Randy Bush [ABSENT]
Chris Griffiths [PRESENT, Chair]
Bob Hinden [PRESENT]
Russ Housley [PRESENT]
Ole Jacobsen [PRESENT]
Ray Pelletier [PRESENT, IAD]
Lynn St. Amour [ABSENT]

Jorge Contreras [GUEST]
Michele Gehrke [SCRIBE]

Trust Meeting Agenda
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1. Minutes
2. Trust Agreement
3. AOB

Chris called the meeting to order at 10:48 AM EDT.

Trust Agenda

1. Minutes

Scott moved and Chris seconded a motion to approve the minutes from 2013-03-13 as modified on the mail list.

Without objection the minutes were approved.

1. Trust Agreement

Ray reported that he and Chris discussed possible Trust Agreement changes with Jorge and concluded that there were three that may be worth modifying the Agreement. The purpose of this agenda item was to determine whether there was interest in doing so before language was written to effect the change. Ray noted that Article 10.1 of the Agreement gave the Trustees authority to amend the Agreement, with some limitations, without the consent of the Settlor effective as of 1 July 2010.

The three possible areas for amendment are:

1. Article VII of the Trust Agreement states that "the Trustees shall not, and shall not have the right or power to, (i) exchange, distribute, assign, sell, transfer, renounce, or convey Trust Assets". Transfer of Assets (7.1.a.i)

This includes assets like the Blue Sheets. In the case of Blue Sheets, had the Trustees decided to scan all of the Blue Sheets, the Trust would have been prevented from disposing of the Blue Sheets. The Trust is paying about \$100 a month to store Blue Sheets and other assets. The point is that it may make sense to have the ability to rid the trust of assets if it's in the best interest of the IETF.

2. Article VII of the Trust Agreement states that "the Trustees shall not, and shall not have the right or power to, (ii) terminate the Trust Assets' registration". Registration of Assets (7.1.a.ii)

One of the registrations is the iesg.org domain. Its only use is as a pointer to <http://www.ietf.org/iesg/>. The cost is fairly minimal, but is it necessary to maintain it?

Marks are also registrations, such as the IETF mark and the IETF logo. It costs money to register marks around the world and to renew those registrations. Jorge advises that the mark "IETF Secretariat" is protected because IETF itself is registered, thus "IETF Secretariat" is redundant and continuing to renew it costs money. The recommendation would be to permit Trustees to allow lapse of registrations if it's in best interest of the IETF.

3. Article IX of the Trust Agreement deals with the Administration of the Trust. Section 9.5 addresses licenses and says that the Trust (acting through the Trustees) shall have the right to grant licenses for the use of the trust assets on such terms, subject to Section 7.1, as the Trustees deem appropriate ...".

Jorge recommends that the language be clarified such that the licensing authority extends to non-IETF documents, which are technically not "Trust Assets". For example: The Trust licenses IAB, IRTF and Independent Stream Documents and these are not IETF Documents.

After discussion and without agreeing to the three proposed changes the Trustees decided it wants to see the language for the Agreement to effect the changes.

3. AOB

Tao Copyright

Ray brought the matter to the Trustees.

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There is a translation into Portuguese underway by volunteers. ISOC is working with the group. ISOC is suggesting a Creative Commons license which allows sharing and adaptations

- a. Requires any use be non-commercial and attributed
- b. If you alter, transform, or build upon this work, you may distribute the resulting work only under the same or similar license to this one.

The motivation for this proposal is that the CC license does not just allow sharing, but makes it **explicitly** permitted--furthering the underlying purpose/goal of the Tao.

After discussion the Trustees asked Jorge to ask the Tao list about its reaction to the proposal and return to the Trustees with a recommendation.

No additional business was discussed.

Chris Griffiths adjourned the IAOC meeting at 11:18 AM EDT.