Trust Minutes 2013-07-18

IETF Trust Meeting
2013-07-18 -4 GMT / 10:00 EDT

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

Jorge Contreras   [Guest]
Jewellee Dalrymple   [SCRIBE]

IETF Trust Agenda
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1. Minutes
    2013-06-20
2. Tao Copyright
3. Trust Amendments Next Steps
4. Pearsons Permission Request
5. AOB

Chris called the meeting to order at 10:57 AM EDT.

1. Minutes
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The 2013-06-20 minutes are ready for adoption.

Chris moved, and Russ seconded a motion to approve the
2013-06-20 minutes with modifications.

Without objections, the minutes were approved.

2. Tao Copyright
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Ray reported on a request to provide a license for the Tao.

A. Raised by recent translation into Portuguese by
    volunteers and discovery that the Tao published online
    has Copyright © 2012 IETF Trust. All rights reserved.

B. ISOC suggested a Creative Commons license, which allows

sharing and adaptations.

C. Trustees asked Jorge to have a discussion on the Tao
    list and bring back suggestions.

D. Jorge recommendations:
    I.   Amend Trust Agreement to allow Trust to license
          this material on these terms.
    II.   Obtain a license from the "authors" of the Tao
          document to the Trust to do the above.
    III. Update Tao web page to include CC BY—SA license
          link/language.
    IV.   Document/preserve all of these steps in some way
          (so we remember what happened in the future),
          perhaps in an addendum to the Tao web page.

Russ commented that he prefers that these steps be captured
someplace other that the Tao page, someplace on the IAOC
Page.

Scott said that maybe we should address this class of problems
rather than this problem e.g., establish a IETF web site for the
publication of materials of this general sort where anyone
proposing to publish there agrees to a set of pre—published
requirements — basically the same sort of thing that we do for
Internet—Drafts then ask the Tao authors to agree to the
requirements and post their document there.

RFC 6722 says how the Tao is handled. This RFC
shouldn't be opened up.

An amendment to the Trust Agreement is needed to implement
the suggestion, but it should be a general clause allowing the
Trust to grant licenses on reasonable terms that are consistent
with the terms of the Trust would make things easier. The Trust
doesn't have the authority to take any action on this item
without direction from the community.

Chris left the meeting at 11:05 AM. Bob Chaired the
remainder of the meeting.

3. Trust Amendments Next Steps
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Ray reported on the potential modifications to the Trust
Agreement and the next steps.

A. Trustees discussed desirability of amending the Trust
    Agreement on 20 June and asked Jorge to prepare

specific language.

B. 23 Jun Jorge sent language to the list with these
    comments: As discussed last week, I have attached a
    short amendment to Sections 7.1(a) and 9.5 of the
    Trust Agreement.
    I.   I combined the revisions to 7.1(a)(I) and (ii) to
          create a general right of the Trust to dispose of
          assets in the best interest of the community,
          subject to community consultation.
    II.   In addition to the change that we discussed in
          Section 9.5 (authorizing licensing of
          Alternate Stream documents), I also attempted to
          make 9.5 more general. This is a point that I
          should have mentioned during our call, but only
          recalled while thinking recently about the Tao web
          site copyright. Essentially, Section 9.5,
           ties the Trusts hands in terms
          of licensing in several ways that do not
          anticipate all of the potential licensing
          transactions that could be desirable (the Tao web
          page is a good example). To avoid future problems,
          I have thus suggested that 9.5 generally allow
          licensing that the Trustees feel is in the best
          interest of the community.

D. NEXT Steps
    I.   Give notice to the community that we are
          considering these changes and give them an
          opportunity to provide input.
    II.   Consider input then take action on amendments. We
          are –not– looking for community consensus.

Next steps — notice was given to the Community to expect these
changes. The changes are appropriate given the 8 years the
Trust has been operating. The Trust is looking for Community
input.

The people with the pen for this: Ray, Jorge, Chris, and Scott.
They will do a draft for the Trustees.

4. Pearsons Permission Request
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Jorge reported on the request by publisher, Pearson.

A. Pearson Education wants to use 61 words from RFC 2702
    in a book.

B. Furthermore
    I.   there is authority to grant these rights under the
         terms of RFC 2026, which governs this RFC
    II. the Trustees should decide
         a. whether they are okay with this use,
         b. how the IETF should be acknowledged (specific
             words, and
    III. whether you want to charge a fee (if not, check
         "gratis" on the form).

61 words are to go in an engineering textbook. May not be
necessary to give them permission, but since they asked for
it, it may be something the Trust should respond to. The Trust
shouldn't charge too much. They could probably use the words
without permission and without a fee. The Trust should say yes
and with no fee, but contributions to ISOC are greatly
appreciated.

Attribution should also be guaranteed. The words to that affect
have to be crafted. A bibliography reference should be
sufficient.

5. AOB
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There was no additional business discussed.

Bob moved, and Scott seconded a motion to adjourn the IETF
Trust meeting at 11:18 AM ET.