Trust Meeting Minutes Tuesday, March 19, 2024 IETF 119

Trustees

Kristin Berdan (incoming)
Glenn Deen
Victor Kuarsingh
Jon Peterson (incoming)
Kathleen Moriarty
Stephan Wenger (outgoing)

AMS

Liz Flynn Alexa Morris Laura Nugent

Legal

Andy Updegrove

1. Conflict of interest declarations

No conflicts of interest to declare.

2. Approve past meeting minutes

The previous meeting minutes from February 2024 were approved and will be posted. .

3. Changing of the Guard

The Trust has offered incoming trustees Jon and Kristin the chance to sign the Trust Agreement and they have both declined, so they will not become Trustees of the old Virginia entity.

Glenn introduced a resolution to recognize the appointment notice from the IESG and the Nomcom for the removal of Joel and Stephan from the IETF Trust. The resolution passed unanimously and Joel and Stephan were thanked for their service.

4. Recognizing attendance of Stephan as a guest

Stephan Wenger was invited to attend the rest of the meeting as a guest.

5. Review of plenary slides

The group reviewed its slides for the 119 plenary presentation.

6. Discussion: TM Assignments

Previously, the practice had been that all the individual Trustees had been owners of the trademarks. The process is underway now to assign those trademarks to the IPMC corporation rather than the individuals.

7. Discussion: IANA Assignments and NRO Agreements

The IETF Trust has held domain names and trademarks for IANA and ICANN since 2012. The original agreements were signed with several numbers registries. Nothing in the agreements signed prohibits the Trust from reassigning these to the new corporation, but the Trustees would like to make sure all original signers are on board. This is only an issue with AFRINIC, where no one is sure if there is anyone currently in place who may sign such a thing. It appears that it is not actually necessary to get a signature from AFRINIC, so Glenn will recommend the attorneys move forward with transferring and reassigning the materials to the new IPMC.

8. Remaining asset transfer

Glenn is working through the list of asset transfers.

9. Virginia Trust sunset

Andy Updegrove reports that Virginia law is vague on what is needed to close down the old Trust. There are three types of trusts in Virginia and the original Trust Agreement doesn't specify which kind the IETF Trust is. Andy is looking into the steps needed to shut it down.

10. 2023 Taxes

Liz will talk with Karen Moreland about status of the 990 filing for 2023.

The Trust meeting was closed and an IPMC meeting begun.