

APNIC EC Meeting Minutes

Teleconference
Friday 7 April

Meeting Start: 10.15 am AEST

Minutes

Present:

Geoff Huston (GH)
Che-Hoo Cheng
Takashi Arano
Xing Li
Tommi Chen (TC)
Kuo Wu
Paul Wilson (PW)
Kyoko Day

Agenda items

1. Agenda
2. Review of minutes from last EC meeting
3. Appointment of officeholders: Chair, Secretary, Treasurer
4. General business
 1. ICANN contract
 2. APNIC Member Meeting - location
 3. Financial reports
 4. Next APNIC Member Meeting
 5. AC Election process
 6. Funding of AC members travel (approved by ARIN)
 7. Issues from AP* retreat (Seoul)
 - APNIC support for At-Large membership drive?
 - APNIC support for AP* secretariat
 - AP-Star nomination process for ICANN board seats
5. Next meetings - teleconference dates, INET

1. Agenda

No additional items.

2. Minutes of last EC meeting

No further comments or changes made, but deadline for comments extended to COB on Monday 10 April. After this, minutes will be finalised (inc. spell check) and posted to the web site.

3. Election of EC officeholders

Tommi Chen (as current EC Chair) to initiate online process to finalise this selection.

Process:

1. Chair to ask for nominations for all positions (Chair, Secretary and Treasurer), with deadline at close of business Monday. Nominations to be posted to PW.
2. PW to post notice of nominations received, by end of Tuesday.
3. if more than one nomination for any one position, then election process will be undertaken for that position with PW as returning officer.

4. General Business

1. ICANN contract

General comments on redrafted ICANN-RIR contract, and need to keep progressing at RIR Board level.

GH volunteered to steer this process, starting with circulation to RIR Boards with request for feedback, and acting as collection point for comments.

Noted that this still needs to go to ICANN for negotiation, after document is finalised.

2. Member meeting

PW reported that responses to request for Meeting proposals were received from Vietnam, Singapore and Sydney, Australia. Unfortunately, none of these proposals responded comprehensively to the call for EOI, so few details are available on which to base a decision. This was the third and final Call, as decided at the Member Meeting in Seoul.

Noted that at the last member meeting, it was decided that the EC should make a decision in early April, following deadline for final EOI.

General agreement to accept APNIC Secretariat proposal to hold meeting in Brisbane, Australia, during October 2000.

3. Financials

In order to allow financial reports to be presented in time for monthly EC meetings, PW requested that monthly EC Teleconference should be held on second Friday of each month. Agreed.

EC members raised questions about various aspects of financial reports, which were discussed and resolved.

EC noted that APNIC membership is continuing to grow, and that financial status seems stable, however there may be some concerns about APNIC's capacity to grow quickly enough to meet service needs. APNIC secretariat encouraged to finalise recruitment for additional staff positions as budgeted.

Request made for historical figures to be included in each report, to allow monthly comparison with previous months.

4. void (same as item 2)

5. AC Election process

Summary presented to EC on current status of ASO Board members, Asia-Pacific AC members, and expiry of terms. One Asia-Pacific AC position is coming up for re-election this year, along with one ASO ICANN Director position (also AP).

Discussion ensued on possible "conflict of interest" in connection with an APNIC EC member also serving on the ASO AC, because of possibility that EC may act to remove an AC member.

Takashi Arano announces his intention to resign from the APNIC EC, and to remain on the ASO AC. Expression of thanks to Arano.

General agreement that, under APNIC Bylaws, APNIC EC has the power to elect someone to fill a vacant position until next election. EC should be obliged however to follow the preference of the constituency of the outgoing EC member in making replacement.

TC to approach to Jun Murai (JPNIC) for replacement nomination, to be appointed to the EC and to serve until the next APNIC Member Meeting (October 2000).

6. AC travel expenses

Decision made to underwrite travel requirement of AP AC members, for official AC and ASO meetings.

Maximum total cost estimated at USD\$18,000, assuming 3 trips per year for 3 AC members, at average cost of USD2000 per trip.

7. AP* Issues

Several matters were discussed which arise from the AP* Retreat meeting, held in Seoul during APRICOT.

EC expressed commitment to work closely with AP*, through shared commitment to APRICOT, meeting regularly, and ensuring that issues of common interest are widely aired. APNIC is an important part of this effort.

However, noted that so far, ICANN At-Large membership processes do not appear to be working properly. APNIC should not attempt to promote this mechanism until it is shown to be effective.

Action: PW to contact ICANN formally (through Pindar Wong) and express willingness to support this programme, when it is shown to be operating.

Regarding APNIC Secretariat, APNIC should express its support for activities such as meetings and coordination, and contribute financially where appropriate. Prior to stronger financial contribution to AP*, APNIC should wait for more progress on establishment of Secretariat, and definition of its function and activities.

Regarding nominations to ASO Board seats, agreement that APNIC needs to have its own processes independent from AP*.

5. Next meeting.

Next teleconference will be Friday 12 May (second Friday in May).

Time: 10.00am AEST