**NANOG Board of Directors Meeting Minutes  
April 17, 2015**

**Teleconference**

**The regular meeting of the NANOG Board of Directors was called to order at 4:02pm Eastern on the date listed above by Dan Golding.**

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| **In Attendance:** | **Ex Officio:** |
| Dan Golding, Chair | Tony Tauber, PC Chair |
| Dave Temkin, Vice Chair | Andy Koch, CC Chair |
| Ryan Donnelly, Treasurer |  |
| Greg Dendy, Secretary | **Staff:** |
| Jezzibell Gilmore, Board Member | Valerie Wittkop, Program Director |
| William Charnock, Board Member |  |
| Betty Burke, Executive Director |  |
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| **Not Attending:** |  |
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1.  Agenda Adjustments

D. Golding added a line item to New Business (Discussion on NANOG Meeting Wireless).

T. Tauber added a line item to New Business (Registration Comp Policy for Presenters).

2.  [3-20-15 Minutes](https://docs.google.com/a/newnog.org/document/d/1ONdIBrECa9-iF1HFg1fnkaVs5VeXBrbVNBDRSH5GSy4/edit) for Approval

G. Dendy presented minutes from the last board meeting.  D. Golding moved to accept, R. Donnelly seconded, unanimously approved.

3.  Old Business and Highlights from ED Update

* + The following Policy Changes were accepted with no objections
    - Revised - [Financial Controls Policy](https://docs.google.com/a/newnog.org/document/d/17siKo_qlAg7F2A6HQXoPY6W7nxoipSnlMBbCX6LP39s/edit) - Change to ED limit and removed Credit Card limit reference
    - Revised - [Employee Handbook](https://docs.google.com/a/newnog.org/document/d/1okIFHwsS2LFqZip2h-OtDWSauCbZ8Oat59Ty6wQcaTk/edit) Benefit Options for Staff - Change only to Vacation policy relative to last call
  + Event Management and Accounting/Bookkeeping Decision
    - Seek support to move forward with Hamilton Group for Event Management services.  Board supported, with recommendation that contract be for two years with an extension option and include performance clause with exit provision.
    - Recommend move Accounting/Bookkeeping services to an Ann Arbor, MI based firm with one-year contract and option to renew.  Waiting on one more meeting/formal quote which will take place on April 23, 2015.
    - Noted that for both service contracts, the Chair and Treasurer will have time to review vendor contracts before signing.
  + Project Manager - Candidate Update
    - B. Burke and V. Wittkop reviewed three applicants with varying skill sets and locations.  After consideration on needs of NANOG, recommendation to move forward with offer to Darrieux Harvey.  Board supported the Executive Director in decisions relating to Human Resources.
  + BCOP - Per Program Director Update
    - Board re-stated its desire to have BCOP activity find a new home in a more global organization. On-going support from NANOG resources is nearing an end.
  + Financials & Audit
    - Due to lack of review time of the report, the Audit Report report will be on the May Board Meeting.
  + Feb. 2017 and Oct. 2017 Meeting Site Update
    - B. Burke report that Feb 2017 - sites are available and reasonable in Orlando and New Orleans.
    - Oct 2017 - several sites in San Diego have been placed on hold.  Staff will visit in coming weeks to select location.
    - Members of the Board restated their decision to find cities on the preferred list identified at the Board Retreat in December 2014.  They directed staff to look at more midwest/east locations  for Feb 2017.  Executive Director will bring back to Board if/when space issues arise in selected locations.
  + Other items or Questions
    - B. Burke reported NANOG 64 secondary room blocks will be posted by mid-next week, currently finalizing the blocks at this time.

4.  New Business

* NANOG & ARIN Board Proposed meeting agenda for Wednesday, during NANOG 65.
  + J. Curan is asking for a meeting to go over the strategic plans of both organizations, V. Cerf would like to discuss how the two organizations can work together on educational aspects.  NANOG Board would like to use the time to revisit the desire to find ways the two organizations, operating on their own paths, may work together on joint interests when it fits strategic plans.  NANOG would like to see a sponsorship agreement document, with nothing tied to NANOG programming or Conference agendas.
* PeeringDB discussion
  + Currently there are individuals working on the PeeringDB site, they are looking for a formal corporate umbrella to exist under.  NANOG could serve as that host site, provide some administrative support, align and look for options to receive donations and further develop the Peering Database.
  + Responsibilities as host would be to administer overhead, provide HR support for person to maintain the site, etc.  The potential responsibilities do come with a number of liabilities that need to be seriously considered.
  + A few NANOG Board members approached PeeringDB administrators with offer as tool is becoming very important to the Internet community.  Agree NANOG would need to see current financials and have a discussion about what the support is really required.
  + Board Members expressed support for the idea of NANOG  supporting the activity and agreed to further discuss at the Board meeting in June, during NANOG 64.  All agree, the project must be able to succeed if take on the project on.  B. Burke will reach out to A. Hughes to start gathering the information requested.
* Discussion regarding NANOG Meeting Wireless
  + Recent communications regarding the NANOG Meeting Wireless solutions, have developed a lack of confidence in current set-up for NANOG 64.
  + NANOG has grown to a level that it is critical the investment of equipment and staff be improved.
  + MOTION: D. Golding moved to create a Board Task Force of 3 members, headed by D. Temkin, to hire a consultant and obtain wireless network gear, in an amount not to exceed $100,000.00.  Seconded by G. Dendy.  Motion passed.
* Registration Comp Policy for Presenters
  + Discussion was held regarding the current Waiver Fee policy relating to comped registrations for Panel presenters within a Track.  A reminder was made, indicating a needs-based comp request policy is in place.  The Program Committee Chair can determine if the request is valid and send to the Executive Director for approval.
  + Board directed B. Burke to codify the policy and include a process to use when asking for an exception, to be provided to the Program Committee.

5.  Committee Chair Updates - Tony and Andy

* Program Committee
  + Items for San Francisco meeting continue to come in.  There are a good number of tutorials, presentations which continue to be accepted.
  + Currently still looking for Keynote Presentation ideas.  However, program will be filled even if a Keynote is not brought forward.
* Communications Committee
  + Mailman update to be performed over the weekend.  Messages were sent by L. Blunk to alert the community, and he will send another message once the update is complete.
  + A reminder to make sure Social Media post requests are sent to the CC (B. Raymo) so they can be broadcast in a timely manner.

The call was adjourned at 5:11pm Eastern.

Next Board Meeting: May 15, 2015