NANOG Board of Directors

June 10, 2019 / Board Meeting Washington, DC 8:00 a.m. EST

L Sean Kennedy Chair	Edward McNair, Executive Director
Tina Morris Vice Chair	Valerie Wittkop, NANOG Staff
Dave Siegel, PC Liaison	Dé Harvey, NANOG Staff
Patrick Gilmore, Member	Claudia Bristol, NANOG Staff
Will Charnock, Treasurer	
Susan Forney, Secretary	
Benson Schliesser, PC Chair	

Start time: 8:08 a.m. EST

Agenda Review:

Due to time constraints, the board deferred the education discussion and tabled the discussion on meeting registration fees until the next Board call.

NANOG Investment Portfolio:

The managers of NANOG's investment portfolio have left Republic and would like to discuss moving NANOG's investments with them.

Second Board Meeting at NANOG 76:

If it is necessary, the board will be available to meet at 8 a.m. Tuesday, June 11. A decision about the meeting will be made, and the board notified by email whether the meeting is necessary.

Website Launch:

The board discussed the launch of the new NANOG website. The issues discussed were:

- Inadequate communication regarding the timing of the launch
- Issues with attendees trying to register and access to the meeting tool
- Lack of quality control and sufficient testing

The board agreed that the launch was not as smooth as planned and agreed to put plans in place to prevent similar issues going forward.

NANOG77 Board Meetings:

The board planned to meet at 1 p.m. CST on Sunday, October 27. After the NANOG 77 elections, the new Board members meet with the Board. The election will close at noon on Wednesday. After the election committee reviews the results, the current Board will meet with any new members at 1 p.m. CST on Wednesday, October 30th. Candidates will be informed of the Wednesday meeting and be advised to make time for it in their travel schedules.

NANOG77 Election Schedule and Bylaws:

Nominations will open on August 26, and close on September 23. The election will begin at 8 a.m. Monday, October 28, and end at noon Wednesday, October 30.

The board discussed the deadline for statements of support remain open. The board also discussed whether voting should be restricted to members. The board voted to allow statements of support to be submitted until the end of the election and to restrict voting to NANOG members.

The Bylaws require a minimum of three people on the election committee. In the past, the committee has included two Board members, one member from the PC, and two from the general community. After discussion about committee size, the board voted to appoint board members Tina Morris, Dave Siegel, and Will Charnock, PC member Michaela Clifford to the election committee. To maintain an odd number on the committee, NANOG staff will solicit an additional three volunteers from the general community.

The board discussed two proposed Bylaw changes, the first regarding the corporate name change from NewNOG to NANOG and an election change to ease Board member transition for the newly elected members. Edward will explain the proposed changes and their reasoning at the community meeting at NANOG 77.

Budget Review:

The Board reviewed year-to-date expenses vs the annual budget. Overages, especially as related to F&B Special meetings and staff travel, were discussed. NANOG staff will review the allocation of expenses, and report at the next call.

Attendance, and sponsorships were down for NANOG76. The PC also had difficulty finding talks and keynote speakers. NANOG77 in Austin is already more successful in these areas.

As a result of the discussion, the board concluded that Washington, D.C. may not have been a good choice due to conflict with other conferences. Staff can only make a best efforts to determine conferences scheduled at the same time. NANOG meetings should be planned in the most desirable venues and use NOTR to address underserved markets.

NANOG Community Meeting:

The Board recommended that Edward discuss what NANOG accomplished in the educational programs, specifically NCI and the scholarship awards, and in outreach activities.

End time: 9:31 a.m. EST