

## NANOG Board of Directors

September 23, 2022/Board Conference Call

1:00 p.m. EDT

Tina Morris, Chair	Edward McNair, Executive Director
David Siegel, Vice Chair	Claudia Bristol, NANOG Staff
Steven Feldman, Secretary	Darrieux Harvey, NANOG Staff
Vincent Celindro, Treasurer	Valerie Wittkop, NANOG Staff
Catherine Gurinsky, PC Chair	
Leslie Daigle, Member	

**Start time:** 1:05 p.m. EDT

### **Electronic Voting Results:**

- Electronic vote to approve the 2021 Audit report
  - approved with 7 in favor, 0 abstentions, 0 against
- Electronic vote to approve June 7, 2022 Member Meeting Minutes
  - approved with 7 in favor, 0 abstentions, 0 against.

### **Roll Call / Call to order**

Benson expressed regrets, but all other board members are present.

### **Agenda Review**

Tina reviewed the agenda with a request to move the Thematic Goal Review higher on the list.

### **Review and Approve Previous Minutes**

- The June 7, 2022 member meeting minutes were approved electronically, as noted above.
- No new minutes are ready for review, but all outstanding minutes from 2022 will be ready for review and vote prior to NANOG 86.

### **Staff Report** (Edward)

- Events
  - NANOG 86 in-person registrations are currently at 504. This is on track to reach close to 1000 in-person attendees.
  - A second block of rooms was added to our contract to meet demand.
  - Currently working on the staff production schedule and welcome letters to the community.
- Sponsorship
  - NANOG 86 sponsorship sales are at \$751,000 the highest total that NANOG has ever had.
  - Other than a couple of breakfast sponsorships, we are sold out.

- There are at least 6 new sponsors.
- NANOG 87 sponsorship sales are underway.
- Marketing
  - Marketing for NANOG 86 is clicking into high gear.
  - Two weekly announcements will be sent out.
  - Contents to be posted on all social media platforms.
  - Separate messaging out on Instagram and TikTok to reach a more diverse audience.
- Development
  - Meeting Appointment Tool
    - Public beta is up and running.
  - PC Tool
    - Has been completely revamped to provide greater ease of use and better reporting.
    - Agenda building is much easier and faster than before.
- Outreach
  - Donors to fund outreach programs have been identified, discussions are in progress.
- In-Kind Donations
  - Board members and staff are working with a vendor for in-kind donation of new routing equipment for the meetings.
- Patronage
  - Edward is exploring options with a potential patronage donor.
  - Leads for other potential donors would be appreciated..
- Financials
  - The 2023 draft budget is close to completion.
  - An in-depth presentation is planned for the NANOG 86 Board meeting.

### **NANOG U Event - Montgomery, AL**

- Sponsors were Telstra, QTS, Netflix and Amazon.
- Technical presentations by ARIN, ICANN, AWS and ISC.
- Small attendance but a great program.

### **Thematic Goal Review**

- The Board requests a simple table or dashboard, kept updated with current fundraising and budget status.

### **Members Meeting Agenda**

Discussion of agenda items for the NANOG 86 members meeting.

- Financial
- Update on Programs
- Patron Program
- Elections

- Call for volunteers

### **NANOG 86 Board Meeting Agenda**

- Review Member and Community Meeting slides
- 2023 Budget
- Organizational structure
- Executive session
- Meeting time: 9 a.m. to 4 p.m

### **Fundraising/Sales/Cost Saving Efforts**

Edward is continuing to work with a potential patron sponsor.

### **Proposed Amendment to Bylaws**

Steve had shared the proposed bylaws amendment with the Board for their review.

- If passed, the amendment becomes effective immediately after the election. This will be added to the Q&A, which is not part of the official ballot text.

**MOTION:** Approve the Amendment to the Bylaws as written. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed 5-0, with an abstention from Leslie.

**MOTION:** Include the Amendment to the Bylaws on the ballot in the upcoming election. The motion passed 5-0, with an abstention from Leslie.

### **Program Committee Update**

- The recent tool updates have significantly streamlined the Committee's workflow.
- 72 talks were submitted.
- Many submissions will be carried over to NANOG 87, with 7 already approved.

### **Mentorship Committee Update**

- The committee met during the week.
- Some promotions were sent out to social media.
- There have been no more volunteers.
- A soft launch of 2 or 3 mentorships are planned for NANOG 86, with possible increases for future events.

### **Education Committee Update**

- Eddy Winstead has prepared a DNS course.
- AN ISOC course will be starting in 2023.
- A network automation course is being considered.

### **Election Committee Update** (Edward)

- 7 candidates will be on the ballot, for 2 open positions.

- There is a 75 minute time slot for the candidate forum and questions on Tuesday, with questions to be solicited from the community.
- Voting will open after the candidate forum.

### **Scholarship Committee Update**

- Winners of the 2 scholarships were recently announced.
- Scholarship America recommends for best practices that NANOG's timeline be moved earlier, as 75% of scholarships are opened between November and February. The committee agrees with this recommendation.

### **Board Offsite**

The Board discussed the possibility of changing the annual offsite meeting back from virtual to in-person.

- An in-person meeting would make effective use of limited time, and reduce interruptions.
- Cost and effect on the budget are still concerns. A location would need to be chosen to minimize travel expenses.

**ACTION:** Staff will determine Board availability.

### **Conclusion**

The Chair announced the next scheduled meeting would be at the NANOG 86 conference on Sunday, October 16, 2022 at 9 a.m. PDT, and adjourned the meeting.

**End time:** 2:30 p.m. EDT