

NANOG Board of Directors
July 14, 2023/Board Conference Call
1:00 p.m. EDT

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

Start time: 1:55 p.m. EDT

Roll Call / Call to order:

All voting members were present plus staff members Darrieux, Claudia and Valerie.

Agenda Review

Leslie reviewed the agenda and no additions were requested.

Review/Approve Minutes

No minutes were ready for review.

Staff Report

Meetings

Attendee Data:

N85 Montreal - In person 515; Virtual 203; Total 718

N86 Hollywood - In person 930; Virtual 153; Total 1,083

N87 Atlanta - In person 710; Virtual 164; Total 874

N88 Seattle - In person 872; Virtual 94; Total 966

- NANOG 89 registration opens on Tuesday, July 25
- Edward confirmed this is typical for this time of year.

Financials

- After strong attendance in Hollywood N86, the softer attendance in Atlanta N87 was considered more indicative of location than a trend. No need was seen to adjust Seattle expectations.
- Nonetheless, NANOG 88 registration revenues fell short of expectation, creating a cash deficit of \$264K, impacting operating funds availability.
- Discussion on how the registration revenues were achieved.
 - Staff to provide a breakdown of registration dollars at what levels and number of codes utilized for N88 and comparison to previous events.

- A cash infusion of \$320K is needed to meet our obligations and operating expenses up to N89.
 - **MOTION:** Edward moved to pull \$320K from reserves to cover cash shortfall up to the next meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

Marketing

Social Media Stats

- A link to the March HootSuite Report was provided
- YouTube (June 2023)
 - Views: 27.2K
 - Hours of watch time: 4.1K
 - New subscribers: 264
- A pdf download of NANOG-88-Web-Traffic was provided

Grants

- NANOG is currently applying for some grants and working on applications for those.

Survey Results (Valerie)

- Disappointed with the lack of responses
- 42 responses was the peak for a day
- Feedback on speakers is good
- \$100 gift cards each day is given
 - Not a large incentive
 - More surveys were completed when better prizes were given, but not of great substance
 - Current survey results are fewer but better quality
- It was suggested that surveys may need to be more visible and easily accessible

Mailman to Discourse Migration Plan

This agenda item was tabled due to time constraints.

Audit report Status Update:

- David reported that the audit committee has been silent.
- He will reach out to the committee
- Hopes to have closure for August call

Committee Updates:

Program Committee

- Committee met yesterday and talks have been assigned
- Cat believes there are many good talks
- 27 are in the hopper, 15 pending, 2 submitted and 5 accepted

DEI

- They have a meeting set for July 20
- Will be discussing what worked at N88 and what could be improved
- Will begin thoughts and processes for N89

Education Committee

- They have met once
- The online ISOC course will be available soon
- There are two possible options for N89 in October

Elections

- Going over details for messaging on the new process
- Setting up mock elections with demonstrations on how to vote
- Candidate submissions to begin in early August

Hackathon

- Working on a charter for a new committee

Mentorship

- Working on a description of what mentors will look like
- They have matched all who were on the docket
- Going to put out call for more
- Also researching how to vet out mentors qualifications

Scholarship

- Their focus will be to discuss the program and its value to NANOG

MOTION: Leslie moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Michael.

End time: 3:00 p.m. EDT