

NANOG Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: Friday, June 20, 2025 (Teleconference)

Workshop: 1:00PM EDT

Location: Virtual (Teleconference)

Attendees:

Leslie Daigle, Chair	Jonathan Black, Member / Executive Director
Vincent Celindro, Vice Chair	Adair Thaxton, Program Committee
Michael Costello, Treasurer	Valerie Wittkop, NANOG Staff
Catherine Gurinsky, Secretary	
Elizabeth Culley, Member	
Steven Feldman, Member	

Regrets: Darrieux Harvey

Meeting Called to order: 1:04 PM EDT

Agenda Review

Presenter: L. Daigle

MOTION 2025-06B-01:

Approval of the revised agenda for the June 20, 2025 NANOG Board meeting.

Vote: 7 in favor /0 opposed /0 abstentions

Status: Motion carries

Hands-On Vendor Experience

Discussion led by: All Board Liaisons

Community members expressed interest in a dedicated space at future events for multiple vendors to showcase and demo their equipment, allowing for hands-on interaction.

Considerations:

- Refer to the Workshop Committee to evaluate feasibility
- Assess space, power, and resource requirements
- Address logistics and legal/vendor approvals
- Evaluate costs for power and related support

Additional Suggestion: (S. Feldman) Consider whether a software based interoperability focus might be more appropriate and beneficial to NANOG

ACTION: J. Black, D. Harvey, E. Culley to organize a followup call to explore logistics and draft a proposal to submit for board review.

Executive Director Update

Presenter: J. Black

- ARIN On The Road update - Attended event in Montreal. High technical engagement; future sessions will prioritize technical depth
- BoFs (Birds of a Feather) - Proposal to incorporate at future NANOG conferences

ACTION: Jonathan to propose an updated definition of a BoF in a structured proposal, gauge community interest, and identify potential topics (e.g., NOG, Security, Academia)

- ARIN Collaboration - Exploring options to feature ARIN content on Wednesday afternoons at the Fall conference

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- N94 Conference - Strong performance in revenue and sponsorship. Consistent newcomer and "other" attendee participation
- Badge Security - Multiple badge reprints, instances of badge theft reported, security escorted unbadged individuals

ACTION: The Event planning team to monitor daily badge reprints over the next year to determine next steps

Moderation Committee

Discussion: NANOG Board of Directors

- Unofficial Reddit Channel - Community created, however owner is willing to transfer moderation rights to NANOG, Board agreed that Reddit is typically unmoderated and we would continue that tradition, but also make it clear that Reddit /NANOG is unofficial.
- Online attacks on Moderators - Elevate incidents to staff for support and protection

ACTION:

- Steve to contact Reddit page owner
- Jonathan to review the corporate insurance coverage to confirm if coverage exists for volunteers over desire for indemnification for actions taken in good faith on behalf of NANOG
- Jonathan to draft a note of support to Ryan and Kate regarding recent defamatory remarks

Additional Mailing Lists: Consideration of allowing the moderation Committee to moderate topic focused lists (jobs, pickleball, etc) to allow consistency across moderation policies

ACTION: Valerie to confirm uniform moderation holds are applied to all new subscribers across lists

Committee Liaison Changes

New Assignments:

- Moderation - Steve Feldman
- Elections - Cat Gurinsky
- Workshop - Michael Costello

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ACTION: Liaisons to communicate their respective committees of the changes

Next Board meeting:

Date: July 18, 2025

Time: 1:00PM EDT

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Executive session: None

Adjournment: There being no further business, the meeting of the NANOG Board of Directors is adjourned at 2:45 PM EDT