Trust over IP Foundation

MINUTES OF THE STEERING COMMITTEE 10 February 2021

A regular meeting of the Steering Committee of the Trust over IP Foundation was held on 10 February 2021 at 12:00pm Pacific Time via teleconference.

Steering Committee Members Attending and Participating

- Jessica Townsend for Christine Leong (Accenture)
- Steve McCown (Anonyme)
- Will Groah (Cloudocracy)
- Darrell O'Donnell (Continuum Loop)
- Andre Kudra (Esatus)
- Michael Nettles (ETS)
- Drummond Reed (Evernym)
- Wenjing Chu (Futurewei)
- Mike Vesey (IdRamp)
- Dan Gisolfi (IBM)
- Hwajeong Hwang (LG CNS)
- Jim St Clair for Christian Ingrao (Lumedic)
- Charles Walton (M/C)
- John Jordan (Prov. of BC)
- Daniel Hardman for Kalin Nicolov (SICPA)

Also Participating

- David Luchuk (Program Manager)
- RJ Reiser (KABN Steering member non voting)
- Eva Chan (Certizen Steering member non voting)
- Vladimir Zubenko
- Catherine Millett
- Eric Vinton
- Paul Knowles
- Steve Maggenis

Call to Order

Mr. Luchuk called the meeting to order at approx. 12:05pm Pacific Time, announced the meeting would be recorded and took the official minutes. There were no objections.

Antitrust Policy Notice

Mr. Luchuk reminded the Steering Committee of the Antitrust Policy.

Agenda

Mr. Luchuk introduced the agenda. No additional topics were added.

Approval of Minutes

Mr. Luchuk presented a resolution to approve the minutes from the previous Steering Committee meeting (Exhibit A) and solicited questions from the group. There were no questions or objections.

Mr. Luchuk indicated that consensus had been reached and the following resolution was approved:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the January 14, 2021 meeting of the Steering Committee, in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A, are hereby confirmed, approved, and adopted.

Membership Review and Approval

Mr. Luchuk presented a resolution to approve new Members of the Trust over IP Foundation. There were no questions or objections.

Mr. Luchuk indicated that consensus had been reached and the following resolution was approved:

RESOLVED: That the new Members to the Trust over IP Foundation listed above are hereby approved.

Mr. St. Clair asked for an off-channel discussion with Mr. Luchuk on the topic of the list of members presented, which was agreed.

Message from John Jordan - Executive Director

Mr. Jordan addressed the committee to share his view that the Foundation has had a successful launch to 2021.

The Good Health Pass is an exciting opportunity to focus the effort of the community on a globally visible deliverable. Contributing to this work is an excellent chance for all members to benefit concretely from their involvement with Trust over IP.

Mr. Jordan also cited the important work happening at the Communications Committee, and on priority deliverables in Q1 and Q2, as examples of progress being made.

The Government of Ontario's recent report on outcomes of its market consultation reflects well on the Foundation and its submission to this exercise. This Government clearly recognizes its role and duties in supporting digital identity, and is giving itself the necessary guard-rails and hooks to make decisions when appropriate.

There will be lots of opportunities for all members to contribute to our success in the year ahead.

Good Health Pass Collaborative - Progress

Mr. Walton discussed the launch of Good Health Pass Collaborative with an announcement (Feb 9) and an upcoming webinar (Feb 11). The work of the Collaborative will be organized in three separate tracks:

- 1) Blueprint an overall document being program managed by ID2020
- 2) Technical work on identity binding for digital health passes and authenticating users
- 3) Trust Framework this workstream will be managed by a Trust over IP Task Force

Mr. Reed described the upcoming Special Topic meeting of the Governance Stack WG (Feb 11) which will deal primarily with digital health credentials. The Taskforce that will be set up to support Good Health Pass will operate under the Ecosystem Foundry WG. Like all Trust over IP groups, it will be open to contributions from all members.

Mr. Walton indicated that expertise and experience from professionals in the health and travel sectors, who may not necessarily have expertise in digital credentials, will contribute to work at the Collaborative.

Mr. Reed explained that the expert panel of the World Health Organization will be making progress toward an ecosystem-of-ecosystems in parallel to the Good Health Pass efforts.

Mr. Knowles asked about the remit of this Task Force at Trust over IP. Mr. Reed explained that this was still to be determined but that the emphasis will be on achieving interoperability and trust by building on the governance meta-model.

Mr. Nettles asked what kinds of technological breakthroughs are required to achieve the goals of Good Health Pass. Mr. Walton suggested the challenge is more at the level of integration and alignment than technology. Mr. Jordan observed that technological requirements will depend on choices made within the ecosystem on issues such as how verifiers can ask for proofs, how proof requests are handled by a digital service, and the confidentiality of issuer-holder-verifier connections.

Ms. Millett asked how health credentials used to support travel may also be used, for example, to access medical services in destination countries. Mr. Reed suggested that multiple uses should not be precluded but the immediate priority is to focus on travel uses/issues. Mr. Jordan added this will all depend on the laws/regulations in destination countries and the choices made by users.

Mr. Luchuk will set up a preliminary session to set up the Task Force and plan for the work required on the ecosystem governance framework for Good Health Pass.

Revenue Model - Special Topic Meeting

Mr. Luchuk explained that the next Special Topic meeting of the Steering Committee will take place on February 24, and will focus on the question of how to increase revenues at the Foundation and what may be done with those revenues to support program operations.

Mr. Jordan explained that Trust over IP should be viewed as different from other Linux Foundation projects focused on open source code development. Our Foundation is structured and operates a bit differently. Therefore, it will naturally have different needs that can be clarified at this meeting.

Mr. Luchuk will prepare a brief on possible revenue options in advance of this meeting for members to review and discuss.

Government of Ontario - report on market consultation

Mr. Luchuk described takeaway messages from the recently released report from the Government of Ontario (Ontario Digital Service) following its market consultation in Fall 2020.

Trust over IP contributed both a lengthy written submission, responding to questions asked by Government officials, and members took part in a live discussion to elaborate on ideas submitted.

Mr. Reed observed this is a good example of many Trust over IP members coming together quickly to provide very valuable input to a public service.

Mr. Kneis suggested that, in the future, our Foundation seek greater reciprocity from organizations like Ontario Digital Service in the form of interviews or recognition that can be used in communications materials.

Mr. Luchuk will share the report from Ontario Digital Service in a manner that all members can access.

Communications Committee - Update

Mr. Luchuk discussed work underway through the Communications Committee to develop an Editorial Calendar and elements of an eventual Strategy for the Fondation. He also described Comms connections to the work of the Whitepaper Task Force, the upcoming Trust over IP announcement related to Good Health Pass, and provided an update on on-going discussions with Linux Foundation related to logo usage.

Operations - Update

Mr. Luchuk explained that a revised version of the Trust over IP Project Charter will be circulated for review and eventual approval by the Steering Committee in order to introduce a new, streamlined approach to memberships and Working Group charters.

Mr. Luchuk also described how an on-going shift in calendars, to make better use of Groups.io mailing lists, will improve self-service options among members.

RESOLVED: That meeting pages on the Trust over IP wiki will feature approved minutes and presentations posted without any access limitations.

All Members meeting

Mr. Luchuk advised that the All Member meeting (Feb 17 of 2021) will be a Townhall formal at invited suggestions in regard to topics and themes.

Mr. Reed suggested the Good Health Pass should be raised, and the editorial calendar be discussed as an opportunity for members to contribute.

Mr. Kneis suggested that barriers to increased member engagement in priority work be raised and discussed. There are many smart, creative people in the Foundation and we need to remove barriers to them getting involved.

Mr. Reed and Mr. O'Donnell discussed the role of GitHub is potentially creating friction for members who have no experience with repos and pull requests.

Mr. Jordan emphasized the need to ensure all members feel welcome to contribute their expertise.

Open Dicussion

No items to report.

Adjournment

At approx 1:05pm Pacific Time, Mr. Luchuk adjourned the meeting.