

# Meeting: LLC Board

Date: March 5, 2025

Meeting Number: 84

## Attendees

### LLC Board:

Jason Livingood

Mirjam Kühne

Sean Turner

### Staff/Secretariat:

Sean Croghan

Jay Daley

Sandy Ginoza

Jean Mahoney

Stephanie McCammon

Cindy Morgan

Laura Nugent

Debbie Sasser

Robert Sparks

Lisa Winkler

Greg Wood

### Observers/Guests:

George Michaelson

### Scribe:

Liz Flynn

### Regrets:

Roman Danyliw

Shauna Turner

# Conflicts of Interest Declared:

None

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## Part I: Open to the Public

### 1. Record e-vote results

Three e-votes have been completed since the previous Board meeting.

a. Resolution 84-01: The December 2024 Financial Statements were approved with the board e-voting as follows:

Roman Danyliw: YES  
Mirjam Kühne: YES  
Jason Livingood: YES  
Sean Turner: YES  
Shauna Turner: YES

b. Resolution 84-02: The February 12, 2025 LLC Board Meeting minutes were approved with the board e-voting as follows:

Roman Danyliw: YES  
Mirjam Kühne: YES  
Jason Livingood: YES  
Sean Turner: YES  
Shauna Turner: YES

c. Resolution 84-03: The resolution to approve creating new accounts for improving cash management was approved with the board e-voting as follows:

Roman Danyliw: YES  
Mirjam Kühne: YES  
Jason Livingood: YES  
Sean Turner: YES  
Shauna Turner: YES

## 2. Review & approve prior month's financial statement

Debbie Sasser reported the January 2025 Financial Statements have been circulated. January was a quiet month financially. The Trust request for funding arrived in February and is not on the January statement.

Action: 84-01 - Michelle Cotton will begin an e-vote for approving the January 2025 Financial Statements.

## 3. Update on the IETF's technical work

No update for March 2025.

## 4. Executive Director Report - Public

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# Public Executive Director Report

For the IETF Administration LLC Board meeting on 5 March 2025

This report is provided by the IETF Executive Director and is read through at the meeting as it is not available to observers. This report is public. There is no separate confidential report.

## 1. Strategic Matters

Nothing to report.

## 2. Policies

### IPR Disclosures

The Objectively False IPR Disclosure Policy has been invoked twice recently to remove an IPR disclosure, and others are being assessed. This has highlighted some issues with

misuse of the system that likely need to be addressed with added checking at the time of submission.

## **AI Bot access to our systems**

Currently there is no policy regarding this and our systems and configuration options sometimes explicitly block them and sometimes do not. Until a policy is produced, presumably by the IESG and IETF Trust, they will continue to be blocked where it is considered operationally necessary or where the community of users requests it.

## **3. Finance**

### **EOY Year Audit**

This is going very smoothly and it is anticipated that the field work will be completed by the time of the board meeting.

### **Money market accounts**

These are now being set up and access granted.

## **4. RFPs and contracts**

### **Cybersecurity testing services**

The RFP for cybersecurity testing services has closed and we are awaiting bids. The Q&A phase was much more active than for many recent RFPs. Two community members have come forward to join the assessment team.

## **5. Meetings**

### **Side meetings**

Following discussions with the IESG, the Secretariat has implemented a new process for booking meetings. The hoped for next step is to clarify the goals of side meetings and then filter requests to ensure they align with those goals.

## **Revised new participant program**

Excellent progress has been made and by the time of the board meeting, the content should be complete and we will be meeting with presenters to ensure they are prepared.

## **IETF 122 Bangkok**

We have contracted a new A/V company and expect service as usual. Registration numbers are down, which appears to be a reflection of the general trend and the specific trend in Asia.

## **IETF 125, planned for China**

A verbal update will be provided in the Board + Senior Staff section of the agenda.

# **6. Tools/RPC/RSWG/RSCE**

## **Infrastructure migration**

The infrastructure migration is finally complete with the migration of mail services. The old IETF server is being turned off and our IT support contract with AMS ceases at the end of February. This marks the end of a very large and long project.

## **New senior developer**

We have a new Senior Developer, Rudi Matz, who joins us just before IETF 122 filling the vacancy left by the departure in November. Rudi is based in Canada and employed through our PEO.

# **7. IESG/IAB/IRTF/Trust**

Nothing to report.

## 8. Communications/Outreach

### Annual report and Annual snapshot

Work is now underway on our annual report and annual snapshot.

## 9. Fundraising

Nothing to report

## 10. Miscellaneous

Nothing to report.

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## 5. AOB & Questions from Observers

None

## Part II: Board + Senior Staff

### 1. IETF 125

Jay Daley reported on continued serious challenges with the venue for IETF 125 and offers from sponsors to assist with contracting. The Board discussed a way forward and suggested to follow up within a week.

### 2. LLC Presentation for IETF 122

Jason Livingood will be onsite in Bangkok and will give the Board presentation at the plenary. Mirjam Kühne will be remote. Mirjam will review the slides and send them to the rest of the board for comment.

### 3. AOB

None

## Part III: Board + ED Only

### 1. IETF 127

The LLC Board considered a recommendation from an IETF participant that it review the upcoming IETF 127 meeting in the US with regards to the safety of trans people and changing border entry conditions. The LLC Board agreed that it would be inappropriate to make any change without clear evidence of a direct issue. It further noted that this meeting has been rearranged before and it would be contractually very difficult to rearrange it again.

The LLC Board will be considering its future meeting strategy in the context of a rapidly changing global environment, at its strategic retreat in May.

### 2. ED Goals 2025

The LLC Board discussed the draft ED Goals and will be providing feedback with a view to a final draft being signed off at the next meeting.

### 3. AOB

None

## Part IV: Board Only

None

### **Action Items:**

Action 83-02: Roman Danyliw to inquire with the IESG and IAB regarding what information they would like to receive updates on from the IETF LLC Board.

Action: 84-01 - Michelle Cotton will begin an e-vote for approving the January 2025 Financial Statement