**Motion:** For board motions or foundation projects that are deemed to have a *significant community impact*<sup>1</sup> a board raise a motion requesting that *the owner of the proposal*<sup>2</sup> go through a community consultation process (defined below), that lasts at minimum between 1-2 months to ensure the community feedback is taken into account.

## **Key Outcomes:**

- **Notification:** The community is given enough notification of the problem and proposed changes.
- Transparency: The community & stakeholders<sup>3</sup> are given an opportunity to provide feedback transparently, and the feedback is made available to the board, and community.
- Integrate Feedback: The owner of the proposal needs to show where they have incorporated feedback from the community. The need to also show the comments were considered, even if not incorporated into the final proposal.
- **Buy-in:** The owner of the proposal can demonstrate that they have solicited community feedback, and incorporated constructive feedback, addressing concerns in order to insure community feedback and buy-in.

## Steps:

- 1. A board member highlights an effort which is deemed high community impact, raises a board motion requesting the rest of the board that effort goes through a one month consultancy period. The owner of the proposal then reaches out to the community, via appropriate channels, the primary being email.
- 2. A google document/owasp git page can be set up with comments from the community recorded, the board, and staff also should weigh in. There should only be one consolidated feedback collection point such as Git Issues or comments on a Google Doc. The proposal owner needs to show it has been circulated widely e.g. on leaderboards, connector, or a public social media forum (e.g. Twitter).
- 3. When the owner of the proposal is ready, a draft then goes in front of the board for a final review for discussion. The proposal owner needs to show they have taken community feedback into account. If there are no major objections the board can choose to vote on the motion (cutting the period by one month) or at the following board motion after changes are made.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> **Significant community impact:** This is a discretionary definition that a board member can raise during a board meeting. It indicates community feedback is required for the motion to go forward effectively.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> **The owner of the proposal:** Either the board member proposing a board motion, or the staff member or OWASP project member proposing a change to a project or a new project.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Stakeholders: Staff and board members.