

## **November 2013 - OWASP Global Board Meeting**

**November 22, 2013 8:15am**

**\*THIS MEETING IS RECORDED\***

### **ATTENDANCE**

#### **Board Members**

- Michael Coates
- Jim Manico
- Dave Wichers
- Seba Deleersnyder
- Tom Brennan
- Eoin Keary

#### **New Board Members**

- Tobias Gondrom
- Fabio Cerullo
- Josh Sokol

#### **Staff**

- Sarah Baso
- Kelly Santalucia
- Laura Grau
- Samantha Groves

#### **Other:**

- Martin Knobloch
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### **Meeting Notes:**

#### **1. Introductions**

- Welcome to New Staff Member - Laura Grau
- Welcome to New Board members - Tobias Gondrom, Fabio Cerullo, Josh Sokol

#### **2. OWASP & Commitment to user privacy - inquiries from governments and our response to protect user privacy**

- Action: Sarah request letter of closure for previous govt request
- Action: Post user privacy policy that we can point to in the instance of future inquiries

#### **3. Energizing wiki contributors**

- Possible edit-a-thon?
- Direct people where? how to edit: <https://owasp.org/index.php/Tutorial>

- Guidance on owasp-specific formatting and templates
- Jim to coordinate next steps on how we can energize the community & set up an initiative

#### 4. Project Sponsorship

<https://docs.google.com/a/owasp.org/document/d/1ADEy8Nhglqi5vyV0JSvOfelqfIRQSziOCLCmhEuPAWA/edit>

- Are project leaders mandated to accept project funds?
  - No, project leader can decide to accept sponsorships or not - but this is across the board (yes to all sponsors or no to all sponsorship support)
  - However if a project leader wants to reject a specific sponsor (not across the board) then exception requested from Board
- Where are we posting acknowledgements in printed book?
  - Template acknowledgements - "OWASP does not endorse vendors, but we would like to acknowledge the following contributions...."
  - Will this be on first /last page, do we care? This can be at the beginning or end of the book, just not on the covers.
- Acknowledgements on non-documentation projects
- How do we give appropriate credit to original creator/founder? Create a section in the acknowledgements to give credit to previous versions' contributors as well as the founder(s), founder's name and logo can be displayed and this decision (to include a founder) is separate than the decision to accept sponsors.
- How long to leave sponsors logos on wiki/product: Logos posted AT LEAST 1 year or until the next major release
- How will we handle current/existing projects & "sunsetting" of projects:
  - Starting Jan 1, 2013 -- 12 mo. to comply (6 months check in) comply or withdrawal
- Need to change title of document from "Project Spending Guidelines" to "Project Spending Policy"

#### 5. Project Spending Guidelines

<https://docs.google.com/a/owasp.org/document/d/15XuKlezpBpNH4BQYwSJ8i9125ga8IBE0lpvKO14Rukl/edit>

- If we have a project that gets released and there are still funds left, how do we handle the excess funds?
  - ACTION: as of Jan 1, 2014, will add a T & C to donation page regarding OWASP reserves the right to reallocate funds to the general Foundation income account.
  - For all money received by projects prior to Jan 1 - OWASP will make best efforts to contact donors to respect their donor intent before reallocating funds in the instance of inactive projects.
  - Project audit every 6 months to determine whether active/inactive. Expectations

for project requirements for active status to be posted to project page for easy reference.

- #7 - hiring project leaders as contractors -
  - Try to find a 3rd party (not the project leader) if possible.
  - Who decides who gets paid? Call for candidates with selection criteria

## 8. Recap on AppSec USA

## 9. European OWASP Entity - Review past 2 years and discuss benefits, costs, challenges

- Pros
  - Facilitate payment in Euros
  - Currency exchange for Euros (lose on exchange rate 2x)
  - Local presence for local sponsors, easier to sponsor
  - Applying for European Grants, requires European entity
  - VAT recommendations
  - Credibility as a European organization
- Cons
  - Additional tax considerations, work, human effort, and costs
  - More complex payment systems
  - Large operational time requirement
- Considerations
  - Official board representation on European entity - 3 people (from any place)
  - Bank changes require individuals to be in person\
  - Action item for December 9.

## 10. Executive Director Review of 2012 Finances and 2013 budget

<https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/1nSBcPyQUpDBzaVI3X5TNqNV2xaDs8cXsIWZdWM3HPzs/edit?usp=sharing>

## 11. Review of 2013 Board Strategic Goals, setting 2014 Strategic Goals

[https://docs.google.com/a/owasp.org/document/d/19BJMDMTVWlwqMcvUfDy1Mcjtd\\_bKGbhu-D-VBE-7kFU/edit](https://docs.google.com/a/owasp.org/document/d/19BJMDMTVWlwqMcvUfDy1Mcjtd_bKGbhu-D-VBE-7kFU/edit)

- New ideas:
  - New and innovative projects - incentivize
  - OWASP training program
  - Membership double
  - Rabid transparency
  - Chapter reach and self sufficient, toolkits
  - Developer outreach measured
  - Solve a tough security problem
  - Security Metrics?
  - Mobilize OWASP Community to encourage
  - OWASP "bug" program - to fit security problems in major frameworks/apps (that are reused)

- Same as above for builders, breakers, & defenders
- For each goal:
  - Title - what is goal
  - Metric of success
  - Why we're doing this
  - Board Member Sponsor

## Previous Board Votes:

### Votes Passed recently:

#### **Social media policy:**

Vote passes -

#### **Conflict of Interest Policy:**

Vote passes -

#### **Update to Bylaws:**

Vote passes -

#### **Whistleblower and Antiretaliation Policy**

Vote passes -

#### **Project Guidelines and Spending Policies**

To Vote for.