

PEERINGDB BOARD MEETING

Thursday, 23 January 2025 1600h UTC
Teleconference

MINUTES

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Attendees:

Chris Caputo
Jack Carrozzo, Product Committee Chair
Chriztoffer Hansen, Admin Committee Chair
Peter Helmenstine, Admin Committee Vice Chair
Aaron Hughes, Vice President, Director
Christopher Malayter, President/Chair, Director
Livio Morina, Director
Job Snijders, Director, Operations Committee Chair
Leo Vegoda, Product Manager

Note Taker:

Shawna Bong, Secretary/Treasurer

1. The Chair called the meeting to order at 1604 UTC, noting that Rahul Makhija is excused.
2. Committee Statuses.
 - a. Product Committee.

Jack, as chair of the Product Committee, gave an update.

In 2024 effort was put into peeringdb-py stability and being opportunistic about locally caching things. KMZ download came out in 2024, which has been quite popular. PeeringDB moved from Virtual Machine deployments to containerized development. Completed the rollout of carrier and campus objects. Effort has gone into identifying weaknesses in the search methodology and targeting the worst offenders and getting them fixed quickly. There was progress on search and natural language syntax.

For user interface updates PeeringDB will roll out internally, then after approval, 20% of new logins will have the new user interface. If the feedback is positive then PeeringDB will expand the release group to everybody. If

users do not care for the new user interface there is a button at the bottom that says revert back to the original user interface.

b. Operations Committee.

Job, as chair of the Operations Committee, gave an update.

In 2024 the "whois" service was disabled. Multi-Factor Authentication (MFA) rolled out further. Periodically, a user will have a script that overwhelms the service, despite us having taken multiple precautions to prevent this. Further work to prevent this is needed.

2025 Software Development & Operations proposal discussion. Jack provided details of proposal.

c. Admin Committee.

Chriztoffer, as chair of the Admin Committee, gave an update.

There is now a healthier amount of volunteers on the committee. Resolution time has increased although the number of active volunteers has gone up as well so there is an overall improvement seen by the committee. The amount of tickets increased in 2024 from previous years.

3. Secretary/Treasurer Update.

Shawna Bong gave an update.

The 2024 finance report has been posted:

https://docs.peeringdb.com/gov/finances/2024-12-31_PeeringDB_Finances.pdf

Sponsor renewal, non-renewal, and new sponsors reviewed. Overall sponsorship was up in 2024 from the previous year. The finances continue to be regularly reconciled.

There is about \$448k in the bank. The members meeting has been scheduled and the announcement will be going out soon.

Aaron asked if we have received any feedback as to why sponsors may have chosen not to renew. Shawna indicated that for some sponsors, a lack of renewal was due to not including PeeringDB in their budget.

4. Strategic Planning Session Review.

There was a strategy session in June of 2024 where updates were made to the Strategic Plan. Discussion of accepting these changes.

5. Data Ownership Task Force Direction.

Jack opened the discussion.

Discussion takeaway: Users remain in control of their data and in cases of disputes they can go to the Admin Committee for arbitration.

6. Product Committee Budget Approval.

It was moved by Aaron Hughes, and seconded by Job Snijders, that:

“The PeeringDB Board approves the requested Product Committee budget increase from \$5k/month to \$10,140/month.”

All present directors individually approved and the motion carried.

7. Other Business.

Aaron revived discussion about the Strategic Plan.

It was moved by Aaron Hughes, and seconded by Job Snijders, that:

“The PeeringDB Board approves the Strategic Plan drafted in June 2024 with a single change in regard to reserves, from 2 years to 5 years.”

All present directors individually approved and the motion carried.

The Strategic Plan has been posted:

https://docs.peeringdb.com/gov/misc/2025-01-23-PeeringDB_Strategic_Plan_2024-2025.pdf

8. Adjournment.

The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Job Snijders moved to adjourn, and it was seconded. The meeting adjourned at 1656h UTC with no objections.