

## **PEERINGDB ANNUAL MEMBER MEETING**

Thursday, 10 April 2025 1600h UTC

Teleconference

### **DRAFT MINUTES**

#### Attendees:

(AC = Admin Committee, Ops = Operations Committee, OC = Outreach Committee, PC = Product Committee)

Obinna Adumike: Open Access Data Centres  
Radu Anghel: XINDI Networks  
Jeff Bartig: Internet2, PeeringDB PC  
Shawna Bong: 20C, PeeringDB Secretary/Treasurer  
Chris Caputo: Altopia, SeattleIX, PeeringDB Ops  
Jack Carrozzo: PeeringDB PC Chair  
Luca Cicchelli: Top-IX Consortium  
Yolandi Cloete: DE-CIX  
Ian Dickinson: Vitrifi  
Joseph Egereugwu: Rack Centre  
Matt Griswold: 20C, FullCtl, PeeringDB PC Vice Chair/Ops  
Peter Helmenstine: Digital Realty, PeeringDB AC Vice Chair  
Aaron Hughes: 6connect, Open-IX, UnitedLayer, PeeringDB Vice President/Director/OC/PC  
Ayomide Jones: Equinix  
Mich Lanners: MyConnectivity.lu, LU-CIX  
Héctor Luna  
Christopher Malayter: CoreSite, PeeringDB President/Chair/Director/AC  
Luca Marini: LUMANEX SRL, SIIX  
Alex Martin  
Stephen McManus: PeeringDB PC, Meta  
Steve Meuse: Kentik Technologies  
Harald Michl: University of Vienna - AConet / Austrian Academic Computer Network  
Hernan Moguilvsky: PIT Chile, LACNOG, ARNOG  
Livio Morina: Airbeam, Italian Association of Internet Providers, PeeringDB Director/OC  
Erik Muller: Myriad360  
Arnold Nipper: DE-CIX, PeeringDB OC/PC  
Amber Pham: Northwest Access Exchange  
Ben Ryall: Meta, PeeringDB OC Chair  
Bijal Sanghani  
Job Snijders: PeeringDB Director/Ops Chair  
Michael Still: Myriad360  
Joshua Talley: JanTech  
Leo Vegoda: And Polus, PeeringDB Product Manager

#### Note Taker:

Shawna Bong, Secretary/Treasurer

1. Chair Christopher Malayter called the meeting to order at 1605h UTC.

## 2. Welcome & Thanks – Christopher Malayter

Christopher welcomed and thanked everyone for attending the meeting.

## 3. Approval of Meeting Minutes

It was moved by Aaron Hughes, and seconded by Arnold Nipper that the minutes of the April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Annual Member Meeting be adopted as written. The motion carried with no objections.

## 4. Financial Update – Shawna Bong

Shawna Bong, as Secretary/Treasurer, provided an update:

Finances were posted in January. Sponsorships are going well and we welcome more.

Shawna was elected Secretary/Treasurer June 2024.

Additional details to match data included in previous years, is provided below.

The bank accounts are reconciled monthly and the annual tax-exempt return will be filed in May, as is normal. Previous filings are at the following location, along with financial reports:

<https://gov.peeringdb.com/>

In 2024, sponsors contributed about \$309,000, up from about \$280,000 in 2023.

In 2024 PeeringDB spent about \$65,000 on Software Development and Maintenance, which was up from about \$62,000 in 2023. Product Management was \$54,000 in 2024 and is expected to be \$54,000 in 2025. Cloud services for the hosting and database was about \$32,000 in 2024. Shawna Bong and Chris Caputo's combined services as Secretary/Treasurer, fundraiser, and election facilitator amounted to almost \$71,000 in 2024.

PeeringDB currently has about \$475,000 in the bank.

Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet reports for 2024 have been posted and shared with the pdb-gov governance mailing list:

[https://docs.peeringdb.com/gov/finances/2024-12-31\\_PeeringDB\\_Finances.pdf](https://docs.peeringdb.com/gov/finances/2024-12-31_PeeringDB_Finances.pdf)

Most sponsors renew their annual sponsorship. That said, more sponsors are needed so PeeringDB can better serve the community. Additional funding would enable further PeeringDB development, faster bug fixes, promotion, and education. Please see the sponsorship levels on the website and reach out to [sponsorship@peeringdb.com](mailto:sponsorship@peeringdb.com) for more information.

[https://docs.peeringdb.com/misc/PeeringDB\\_Sponsorship\\_Levels.pdf](https://docs.peeringdb.com/misc/PeeringDB_Sponsorship_Levels.pdf)

#### 5. Admin Committee Update – Peter Helmenstine

Peter Helmenstine, as vice chair of the Admin Committee, provided an update:

Ticket volumes are up and more volunteers are welcome. If volunteers have just an hour a day that would be helpful.

The committee web page is:

<https://docs.peeringdb.com/committee/admin/>

#### 6. Operations Committee Update – Job Snijders

Job Snijders, as chair of the Operations Committee, provided an update:

The whois (port 43) service was discontinued in 2024. PeeringDB has a TLS-protected API for this function.

MFA options were rolled out. Users have multiple choices to protect their accounts. MFA will become mandatory later this year. Announcements will be coming.

PeeringDB has deployed multiple rate limiting mechanisms. These have been working well overall although in the last year there were a couple instances where this did not work as well. This is being looked into and addressed for the future.

The committee is working to get additional resources to help with system administration tasks in order to make more progress.

Job asked for questions and comments:

Arnold Nipper brought up an issue with responsiveness during 0000h UTC. Job will look into this further and Arnold will provide more

information. Currently UptimeRobot monitors this but more information will be needed to pinpoint the issue.

Chris Caputo added that the slow down may be due to increased users during that time. The issue will be monitored.

Job thanked everyone for their input and feedback.

Aaron Hughes added that UptimeRobot is available to view at:

<https://status.peeringdb.com/>

#### 7. Outreach Committee Update – Ben Ryall

Ben Ryall, as chair of the Outreach Committee, provided an update:

Group engagements/presentations and one-one-one engagements continue.

Social media outreach continues. The social post artwork has been updated and has been well received.

The Outreach Committee membership has expanded to include people in more regions.

Ben thanked his fellow committee members.

The committee web page is:

<https://docs.peeringdb.com/committee/outreach/>

#### 8. Product Committee Update – Jack Carrozzo

Jack Carrozzo, as chair of the Product Committee, provided an update. This update can be found at:

[https://docs.peeringdb.com/gov/legaldocs/2025-04-10\\_PeeringDB\\_Member\\_Meeting\\_Attachments.pdf](https://docs.peeringdb.com/gov/legaldocs/2025-04-10_PeeringDB_Member_Meeting_Attachments.pdf)

The committee web page is:

<https://docs.peeringdb.com/committee/product/>

#### 9. Items brought up by the members / Technical and Policy Q&A

After some discussion of language for a motion relating to the upcoming Board Election, Chris Caputo made the following motion:

*"If on April 15th, 2025, there are not more candidates for the Board of Directors than the three Board seats up for election, the Membership empowers the Board to optionally ratify the existing candidates as having been elected by the Membership to the Board, thus avoiding a vote-based Board election by the Members, with candidates ranked by order of their nomination."*

This motion was seconded by Job Snijders and the motion carried.

## 10. Board Election – Christopher Malayter

Christopher encouraged voting in the current election:

[https://docs.peeringdb.com/gov/misc/2025-04-14\\_election.html](https://docs.peeringdb.com/gov/misc/2025-04-14_election.html)

Self-nominations go to [secretary@peeringdb.com](mailto:secretary@peeringdb.com).

Ian Dickinson asked: "What happens if we have fewer candidates than seats?"

Chris Caputo responded that a Board vacancy can be filled by a vote of the Board of Directions.

Arnold Nipper requested that there be a notice of the election on the website and Chris Caputo confirmed this will happen.

## 11. Adjournment

The Chair entertained a motion to adjourn. Several attendees moved to adjourn, and Job Snijders seconded.

The meeting adjourned at 1641h UTC.