

## **Minutes Of Directors' Meeting – Monday, 9 July 2018**

The meeting was scheduled for 19:00-20:15 UT+11. The later meeting time to accommodate Holly Raiche joining the meeting from the USA.

### **1. Roll-Call and Apologies**

Those present: **Greg Adamson**, **Keith Besgrove** (VC), **Paul Brooks** (Chair), **Sae Ra Germaine** (VC), **Shantnu Kumar**, **Cheryl Langdon-Orr** (VC), **Craig O'Toole** (Treas), **Holly Raiche**, **Fiona Tweedie**, **Peter Tonoli**

Apologies: Roger Clarke, James Horton

### **2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting of 4 June 2018 were approved.

### **3. CHAIR'S REPORT**

- ISOC Charter letter

The chair indicated that he was still working on an amended charter letter which he will circulate to board members before providing to ISOC. Cheryl Langdon-Orr commented that the buzz at ICANN from other ISOC Chapters was very similar to our concerns with the standard charter letter. Cheryl also welcomed Andrew Sullivan's appointment as new CEO of ISOC and believed that his approach would be pragmatic.

The chair also mentioned his somewhat disappointing appearance before the NBN Joint Parliamentary Committee (because of the small number of committee members in attendance) on 5 June 2018. Had follow up meeting with Adam Loddes, head of the Institute For The Broadband Society at Melbourne Uni. Members function that evening in Melbourne went well.

The chair had also attended a DTA Privacy Roundtable focussed on assessment of MyGov. He indicated that a lot of other organisations were heavily involved in this one and did not feel that IA needed to take the lead on this.

- Meetings with Federal parliamentarians' offices re impending legislation on cryptography

The chair and Keith Besgrove discussed their recent meetings (with Dr Vanessa Teague from the University of Melbourne) in Canberra with staff, politicians and government officials concerning the government's impending release of its long-awaited cryptography legislation. Our purpose in these meetings was to raise awareness of IA's interest, expertise, and strong levels of concern about the potential dangers posed by this legislation.

Meetings were held with the Greens (Senator Jordan Steele-John), the Opposition (Shadow Attorney-general and office of Shadow Minister for Communications), office of the Minister for Communications, and the Department of Home Affairs. Key insight gained was the information from the Department of Home Affairs that release of an exposure draft was imminent.

### **4. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

- Treasurers report

The Treasurer's report was circulated separately. The Treasurer indicated that he was following

up with CommsDay on its outstanding debt to IA for sponsorship of the first Knowledge Bank SIG meeting in Sydney.

## 5. **POLICY MATTERS**

- Policy committee report (Holly)

Holly Raiche flagged that the ACMA was seeking comments on the new TCP Code and that we had 30 days within which to respond.

- New SIG – Knowledge Bank (Craig/Paul/Cheryl)

The Treasurer proposed that we delegate a few board members to be decision makers on day to day matters relating to the new SIG and to also to speak on behalf on Internet Australia with respect to the purpose and operation of the SIG. They would also report back to the board on the operations of the SIG. It was proposed that the SIG champions should be Keith Besgrove, Roger Clarke, and Craig O'Toole.

- auDA consultation working group (Peter/Keith)

Peter Tonoli and Keith Besgrove reported on progress with the auDA Consultation Model Working Group, of which both are members. A member forum had been held in Melbourne on the previous Monday evening where three possible membership models of an amended auDA constitution were considered. The clear preference expressed at this forum was for a single member class model.

Further meetings of the working group will be held to refine the membership model options prior to putting recommendations to the auDA board for its consideration.

- Australian Internet Community Forum (Cheryl/Peter/Keith/Paul)

A number of IA board members (the chair, Keith Besgrove, Peter Tonoli, and Cheryl Langdon-Orr) have been part of the working group which has been preparing the groundwork for the 19 July workshop on future internet governance forums.

The chair stressed the importance and potential value of this work and that we should all be contributing to the development of the pitchdeck, which will form the value proposition seeking funding following the workshop. It was clarified that IA was not being asked to fund attendance at the workshop by anyone.

## 6. **Other Business**

- Calls for applications for the ACMA Consumer Consultative Forum

Keith Besgrove indicated that he was interested in applying for this role and this was supported by the board.

- Cheryl mentioned the impending pre- and post-ICANN teleconferences and flagged the possibility of conducting a webinar on GDPR

## 7. **NEXT MEETINGS**

The following are the dates for the remainder of 2018:

**Mon 6 Aug 2018**

Mon 3 Sep 2018

Mon 1 Oct 2018 ? [Problematic – Holidays in NSW, ACT, Qld, SA]

**Mon 5 Nov 2018**

Mon 3 Dec 2018

## Draft text for participant invitations.

Dear [insert name]

A group of us are meeting in Canberra (on 19 July) to determine how the issues surrounding Internet governance in Australia should best be raised, discussed and debated. We would very much like you to join us at that meeting.

The absence of the Australian Internet Governance Forum (auIGF) has been keenly felt, by government and by the wider Australian Internet community. So much so that in October 2017, the Australian Government Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade officially launched [Australia's International Cyber Engagement Strategy](#). In it, the government noted that Australia is an advocate for a multi-stakeholder approach to Internet governance, and that the government will "Support an annual community-led Australian Internet governance and cooperation forum" (point 5.02, page 61).

At the Canberra meeting, we plan to discuss and agree what an "annual community-led Australian Internet governance and cooperation forum" might look like, and how to ensure such a forum remains sustainable in the longer term. However this Canberra meeting is not, itself, to be a forum for capacity building, or the discussion of internet governance issues.

The meeting will involve about 50 invited participants, including representatives from:

- the Australian Government [Department of Communications and the Arts](#)
- the Australian Government [Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade](#)
- [Internet Australia](#)
- [APNIC](#) (Asia-Pacific Network Information Centre)
- [ACCAN](#) (Australian Communications Consumer Action Network)
- [EFA](#) (Electronic Frontiers Australia)
- [auDA](#)

We hope that the key output of the meeting will be a plan for a sustainable national initiative that will – in the future – provide opportunities for the Australian internet community to discuss and address internet governance issues.

More information about this initiative is available at <http://acig.com.au/governance-secretariat/australian-internet-community-planning-way-forward/>. The single-day meeting will take place from 9am on Thursday 19 July, 2018, at Hotel Kurrajong, Barton, ACT.

I'm also happy to discuss any questions you might have.

**If you would like to attend our single-day Canberra meeting, and actively participate in this important work, please RSVP by Reply All email to me (and the group's secretariat) before Friday 15 June.**

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