OpenStreetMap Foundation

Board Meeting

22nd December 2009, 18:30-20:26 GMT

Call in

AGENDA and MINUTES

Final Minutes
Present: Henk Hoff, Steve Coast, Ulf Möller, Simone Cortesi, Mike Collinson
Apologies: Andy Robinson

Minutes of 12th Nov meeting. https://docs.google.com/a/osmfoundation.org/Doc?docid=0AVpHn23-hYdNZQ5ZzNxanBfMjrma3M5Y3BkcQ&hl=en_GB (and published for public viewing as http://docs.google.com/View?id=dd9g3qjp_24fks9cpdq)

Proposed: Henk
Seconded: Steve
Accepted

MATTERS ARISING.

1. Review of outstanding action items.

We reviewed and updated the status of the following action items:

- Andy - European Union Trademark. Laudit Solicitors payment (Pending)
- Andy - GSoC mentors travel - Liaise with Ian to get invoice prepared. (Invoice still pending)
- Henk - circulate the Local Chapters agreement to board
when more complete. (pending - email questions)  https://docs.google.com/a/osmfoundation.org/Doc?docid=0AP0Iaqh9aCnZGZwZGht-eGtfMBnMjNkaZ6ZA&hl=en

- Mike/Andy - talk to a lawyer re definition of members and also on the protection and use of our data. General data use and protection viz a vis UK DPA (Data Protection Agency) (pending lawyer contact)

- Mike/License WG - template reply letter is now available for companies asking permission to use OSM data or OSMF services.  http://docs.google.com/View?id=dd9g3qjp_9ddy98g6. LWG should put this on the Foundation wiki and then liase with Data WG as to effective handling of future enquiries. (pending)

- Andy/Data WG - get website pages updated with right "if you need help" communication information on both www.openstreetmap.org AND wiki AND Foundation sites. (pending)

- Mike to organise a limited use osmf-announce mailing list. (pending)

- Mike - get D & O", Directors and Officers liability insurance quote(s). (pending)

- Andy - NetCologne server/hosting offer - Respond that we are
interested in offer but will need to ask the community for advice on exact use. (pending)

- Steve - Kick off a broader initiative for finding more sources of aerial imagery (pending)

- Mikel/Andy - Russian Community, Satellite Imagery- respond positively to the email (pending, may have been done)

- Mike - update the Foundation webpage of Working Groups (done)

- Andy - PROOF - Execute sign-up

- Andy - PROOF - Get login privileges for Mike

- Mike - PROOF - Confirm whether we should lodge this Resolution.

- Mike/LWG - Can the wording be made very simple and a link to the current wording? Review the wording for "Refuse, or do nothing" - it should not say "you oppose the license change". Also make explanation of what happens if you say nor or do nothing, specifically it should be clear that at some point refusers will cease to be able to perform edits. Look at splitting "Refuse, or do nothing" into two different categories, refuse and defer. (done - see item 4)

- Mike/LWG - Can we have a progress meter showing the yes/nos/those that do not know/those that
have not logged and have some extent edits? Ask Matt Amos/Grant Slater.

- Steve - Get Local Chapter group working on a regular basis done - regular thur meetings))

- Steve - OSMF website needs better graphic layout - put out the word for volunteers (pending - board members please score logos)

- Steve - Start working on a next face-to-face meeting, potentially for January (done)

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License / Legal:

- **New License Update**
  - Open letter

  No further responses have been received.

  - Foundation member vote

  The OSMF member license change proposal vote is under way and continues to generate considerable traffic on osmf-talk mailing list. It closes at midnight GMT on December 26th. The LWG expects to meet briefly the next day to review the result. If we get a good vote, we would like to proceed as planned. If it is more marginal, we will make recommendations after the review and seek board advice.

  Steve proposed a vote of thanks to the LWG and it was unopposed.
- Contributor change-over

The LWG has refined the wording and it is available here: https://docs.google.com/a/osmfoundation.org/Doc?docid=0AVpHn23-hYdNZGQ5ZzNxanBfMjhkZ2tkbWhocQ&hl=en_GB or as a published document here: http://docs.google.com/View?id=dd9g3qjp_28dgkdmhhq

Specifically a third option has been added to the Contributor Change Over Accept/Refuse wording so that existing contributors who will allow their content to licensed under ODbL but who who would prefer to see their contributions released on a Public Domain-like conditions ... exact wording being refined.

- Trademarks

Register additional trademark? (as per email to the board Fri, 18 Dec 2009 from Frederik Ramm). We decided to try and register a trademark as suggested.

Action - Andy - Begin registration process.

- Other

LWG will resume work on Website Usage Terms in the New Year.

Working Group Reports:

- SOTM 2010 - Henk

SOTM 2010 WG now meets weekly (Wed) and reports here:
http://wiki.openstreetmap.org/wiki/State_Of_The_Map_2010

-- Girona, Spain 9th-11th July has been decided and announced.

-- Primary focus is putting together local team (Ivan and one person living in Girona at present) and documentation for sponsors ... we learnt from last year that we should start the sponsorship process as soon as possible.

-- Venue max is 400.

-- Opportunity for cooperation with another March conference on Open GIS, at the same location, organised by the local university GIS department. Also, in the week before SOTM (Mon-Fri) U. of Girona is holding workshops on GIS issues.

  ● Local Chapters: Henk

We now have weekly WG meetings on Thurs at 08:00 GMT. There is unresolved discussion on two points:

1) Membership.

Should members of a local chapter be automatically be "main" foundation members. Should they be separate?

Board suggestion: When problematic a local chapter can have normal members and a pro-members (latter being member of LC and Foundation).

2) Organisational/legal
Do Local Chapters need to be independent organizations or may they also be part of a larger group. E.g. a "working group" of OSGeo like in Germany?

The board has a preference to individual completely independent organisations but will not veto the use of umbrella organisations where there are practical reasons to do so.

Henk - Local Chapters WG to establish broad guidelines on what sort of organisations are acceptable in conjunction with the OSM community. The board can then approve or disapprove the guidelines. In future, it can then use the guidelines to accept or reject on a case by case basis.

- **Technical** - Steve

There was an all day November face-to-face meeting in London to defining long term goals and program with a view to predicting funding requirements. This appears still to be a work in progress.

- **Data** - Mikel

Met two weeks ago. Grant has refined OTRS ticket system to better meet Data WG needs. Working on cleaning up procedures.

Mikel - Do a write up on Geodata on what the procedure is, after the clean-up has finished.

- **Articles** - Andy

Andy was unable to attend the meeting.
● **Data Import** - Steve

Nothing to report.

● **Membership** - Mike

4 new sign-ups since last board meeting and some renewals from folks wanting to vote. Current fully paid-up membership is approximately 272.

Membership management system software - no progress

A small number of people, about 5%, have unsubscribed from osmf-talk. Henk suggested that we should find out why osmf-talk is not a good method of communication for some people so that we can improve member outreach.

**Mike** - Ask folks who have unsubscribed from osmf-talk why they did and report back to board

● **Communications**

Blog:

**Mikel** - type some new wording for the "About" on the current Opengeodata blog and email to board@  

**Date and location of next meeting**

23-24 January 2010 Face to Face

Where?

**Henk** - Book somewhere in Amsterdam or Frankfurt

**Mike** - Set a document for
potential agenda items. We will continue the policy of brainstorming the final agenda at the start of the weekend itself.

**OSMF Logo - Steve**

65 entries have been received. The board wishes to thank all those who have submitted. Not all board members have reviewed entries. We will narrow it down to top 5 via email and then make a final decision.

http://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?formkey=3DdEk yRUIjbDIVbi01Tk1Tb1JZ=alc0 NEE6MA

All - Review and vote on logo entries as per Steve’s email of 19 Dec 2009, "Logo"

**Technical Strategy Document:**

Matt and Grant have been asked to predict resources and funding for the next year.

**Staff and Financing:**

This is dependent on our objectives, we will resume discussion at the face to face meeting.