

OpenStreetMap Foundation
Management Meeting (Board)

On-line (Skype)

on the 17th January 2008 @ 20:00 UTC

Minutes

Present: Steve, Etienne, Mikel, Richard (joined later) and Andy. Apologies: Mike.

Minutes of last Meeting held on 13th December 2007 were Proposed by Etienne and Seconded by Mikel.

MATTERS ARISING

1. Appointment of Accountants. Etienne proposed Vivien Sheehan, MAAT, ATT, Accounting for Tax, 64 Place Farm Way, Monks Risborough, Buckinghamshire, HP27 9JY to undertake the preparation of company accounts. This was accepted by all members of the board present (excludes Richard who arrived later).
2. SOTM 2008. Steve provided an update on the two remaining front runners for hosting the State of the Map conference, Ireland and The Netherlands. After further discussion and review of the two proposals a vote in favour of the Irish proposal (Limerick) as provisional hosts was taken for the conference to be held on 12/13 July 2008.
3. OSM Data License - Richard provided an update on the current situation. Creative Commons, through their Science Commons initiative have published their "protocol" on open data at (<http://sciencecommons.org/projects/publishing/open-access-data-protocol/>). The protocol places science data in the public domain and there is no attribution or share alike component. As such it is not therefore thought that OSM contributors would sign up to this approach should it be adopted by OSM. It was agreed that further consideration of the Open Data License would be investigated and Richard tasked with contacting Jordan Hatcher, one of its authors to further discuss.
Richard to provide a response to CC regarding OSMF's views on the open data license and the concerns OSMF has with it in respect to OSM.
Regarding Attribution, Etienne agreed to set up a wiki page to act as a placeholder for contributor Attribution (those that are specifically wishing to receive attribution).
Steve agreed to discuss with sysadmins about getting the user data into the planet dumps.
4. GFOSS.it affiliate / local chapter. User EdoM has expressed an interest in setting up a local OSMF chapter in Italy. Steve to provide details to Etienne who is to make contact.

- 5 GPS unit loan to Italy. It was agreed that the gps's available for loan would be sent to Italy for a forthcoming mapping party. Steve to arrange. On a wider issue of GPS receiver availability it was decided to investigate and seek donations for a "GPS to Go" programme in which GPS units are made available to contributors in developing regions where the cost of equipment is a barrier to entry. Etienne to initiate a wiki page setting out the idea and to ask specifically for donations to a GPS fund. The intention being that the programme would be self financing.
- 6 Mapping Party Sponsorship. Steve confirmed that there is now no "official" funding for further mapping parties. Ideas for obtaining further funding were thrown around and it was suggested all seek opportunities for
- 7 Brussels Data. Email received from nicolas.pettiaux@gmail.com regarding his discussions with Brussels Capitals (RBC) about access to some of their data. Mikel to respond with encouragement and suggestions.
- 8 UN Democracy Fund update. Mikel reported that the submission to the fund had been made and that a response was awaited.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

9. It was noted that the OSM database had passed the 200 million node mark and that the TIGER import process was nearing completion.
- 10 Update on GPS's for other regions. Tracklogs now appearing in Vanartu but as yet no editing to create map data. Nigeria user still very interested. Mikel confirmed he had purchased 10 NaviGPS units to take to India for a series of 10 OSM workshops and 5 mapping parties he's running with Schuyler Earle. Workshops planned for the major Indian cities, principally linked with Universities there. It was suggested that it would be a good idea to get the India data imported before they kick off.

Next meeting. 20:00 UTC on 21st February 2008