

OpenStreetMap Foundation
Management Meeting (Board)

23th December 2008

17:30 GMT/UTC

MINUTES

Present: Steve, Nick, Mikel, Andy, Grant, Mike, Simone, RichardW, Henk, Etienne
 Apologies. none

Minutes of last Meeting. Proposed by Mike and seconded by RichardW

MATTERS ARISING

1 Sub/Working-Groups & Communications

The following working groups are proposed:

- Public Relations
- Legal
- Communications
- SOTM
- Vandalism and abuse
- Development

Draft minutes of prior meeting now being linked to Foundation website.

Mikel and Mike reported communications working group update.

Bios for website still required for Steve and Henk.

Mikel reported that a twitter account had been opened for OSMF.

Workshops

- 2 Development planning workshop proposed for March 7/8 or 14/15. It was agreed that a separate event to a Board Workshop was preferred. Open to for all.
 Foundation Board workshop to be held 24/25 Jan 2009 in Woking or Wokingham. Nick to investigate a venue and develop an initial ideas and topics document.

Trademark and Domains

- 4 Andy confirmed he had received a first communication from Lawdit Solicitors containing an overview of the current situation with the OSM patent application previously being advanced by the Chairman personally and now agreed to be transferred to the Foundation. The communication confirms that the UK Word only application had been refused on the grounds that the mark is descriptive. Further discussion required to establish options. The communication reports that the EU Word and Device applications are proceeding normally.
 Grant agreed to set up wiki page to chart status of trademarks.
 Steve confirmed transfer of the openstreetmap.org and .com domains to the new OSMF account at GoDaddy had been completed and Andy confirmed the same for sotm.org and osmfoundation.org.

5 OSM Open Data License:

Legal Review Update - Steve reported that all communications with Jordan had broken down. Steve proposed that he circulate the current licence version with the legal review

changes to team@ and for team@ to communicate by email to review and incorporate the changes. No hosting option for the licence is currently available and therefore OSMF may need to host. Steve reluctant to publish publicly as it would invite another round of changes. Final check by board before making public. Legal working group to meet asap after Christmas to form implementation plan.

Henk asked about getting support from major contributors. Nick and Andy felt it was against the spirit of the project to treat some contributors as having special status.

Steve to send email to legal-talk with update of progress.

Nick asked if the process of accepting the license had been defined? Steve confirmed it had not. Legal working group to set as an agenda item the technical aspects of implementation although Grant noted that 90% of the work had already been done in readiness by Tom Huges.

SOTM 09

- 6 Nick confirmed that from the selection process Amsterdam had been awarded the SOTM 09 conference to run over three days, 10/11/12 July 2009. Congratulations were offered to Henk and he responded saying that the whole Dutch community was excited, with special interest in the proposed Friday business session.

Henk noted that posts were available to be filled on the organising group if anyone was interested in helping out.

Conflict resolution

- 7 Mikel confirmed that he had established a google doc covering vandalism and abuse and encouraged all to comment. Andy suggested there was a need to find and define the role of moderators.

8 Technical - Tile serving, API restrictions & Servers

This is ongoing and Grant to report next meeting on progress.

9. Local Chapters / Affiliations.

Nick reported that he had spent some time advancing the proposals and a had discussions with a number of parties. An initial draft Federation agreement had been produced for comment. Initial feedback suggested that the termination clause was generating the greatest concern. More work to be undertaken by the working group on this.

10. OSMF Membership/website

Mike looking at a newsletter relating to OSM in the developing world

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

12. GPS2Go - Etienne reported that 4 GPS units had been shipped to the Philippines - credit acknowledged to Ed Frefogle and Mike Collinson for their donation.

Next meeting: At the off site workshop, 24/25 January 2009