

USENIX Association

Board of Directors Conference Call

May 27, 2015

Minutes, 05/27/15

Attendance:

Board:

Carolyn Rowland

Brian Noble

Cat Allman

David Blank-Edelman

Hakim Weatherspoon

Kurt Opsahl

John Arrasjid - Left meeting approximately 3:25 p.m. ET

Dan Klein

Staff:

Casey Henderson

Meeting began 3:00 p.m. ET

NSDI

Largest attendee count in history and most successful blend of academia and industry to date. Bay area location and our Chairs' determination to have an industry track helped with this success. Hilary was on-site contact for ANCS efforts. They are interested in co-locating with us again in Santa Clara next year.

There was a question from the PC on how papers are selected and what happens if there seems to be an ethical issue with a submission. The BOD and staff discussed what role USENIX would have in this process.

Action:

- Write a statement to give to the PC on who is responsible for ethical decisions pertaining to submission. [Henderson]

ATC '16

ATC '16 CFP will be coming out soon.

SREcon Europe

Lots of interest in returning by attendees. The production quality was high due to Google hosting. We also had about 45 volunteers helping from Google. Different event than the Bay Area SREcon. We will have to discuss whether we reconcile the differences between the SREcons. We can include a broader array of sponsors by having the next event at a vendor-neutral location. The BOD was in favor of looking for a new location in Dublin for 2016. The attendee survey will provide data about future SREcon registration fees. We advertised this first no-reg-fee SREcon as a special one-time only event.

BOD motion approved pursue SREcon Europe for 2016. All present in favor. [Arrasjid left meeting before vote]

Future international SREcon events are still at the inquiry stage.

HotOS

Handing over HotOS to ACM SIGCOM. It was about 70 people. It was a great opportunity to explain the differences in our model between USENIX and ACM. It was a good outcome for the transition. The attendees understood why it was not feasible for USENIX to run HotOS. That was the primary focus of conversation other than the HotOS topics. Students who attend have the opportunity to participate in discussions with luminaries who might be less approachable at larger events. We will be in-cooperation with ACM.

Upcoming Events

ATC

Close to having a full program. We are still waiting on the reject/resubmit papers.

HotCloud and HotStorage papers coming soon.

Discussed venues for future Bay Area events. Some people do not see Oakland as a place where they can drive for local events. It costs about as much to host an event in Silicon Valley as it does San Francisco now. With the ONS co-location, they are staying at the Hyatt Regency Santa Clara which means NSDI will be there again. With SREcon we are limited because of location but will explore other options.

New Security Event

Coming up with a name for the new event. Working on program chairs. Camille Mulligan is putting together sponsorship packages for vendors. Big names in the industry are excited to have a vendor-neutral security event in the Bay area. Steering committee is taking shape. Strong potential sponsorship so far.

Annual Award

Discussed status of nominations for Flame, STUG, and LISA outstanding achievement awards.

Call adjourned 3:59 p.m. E.T.

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