

ASO AC Meeting

10 October, 2018

Minutes

Attendees	Observers	Apologies
AFRINIC Noah Maina (NM)	AFRINIC Ernest Byaruhanga (EB)	AFRINIC Fiona Asonga (FA) Omo Oaiya (OO)
APNIC Brajesh Jain (BJ) Aftab Siddiqui (AS) - Chair	ARIN Nate Davis (ND) Richard Jimmerson (RJ) Sean Hopkins (SH)	APNIC Henri Kasyfi (HK)
ARIN Kevin Blumberg (KB) – Vice Chair Jason Schiller (JS)	ICANN Carlos Reyes (CR)	ARIN Louie Lee (LL)
LACNIC Hartmut Glaser (HG) Ricardo Patara (RP) – Vice Chair Jorge Villa (JV)		
RIPE NCC Nurani Nimpuno (NN) Filiz Yilmaz (FY) Hervé Clément (HC)		
Secretariat German Valdez (GV) - Executive Secretary Susannah Gray (SG) – Scribe		

New Action Items from this Meeting

- New Action Item 181010-1: Secretariat to update the ASO AC Operating Procedures to reflect the approved changes to quorum and to send confirmation to the AC-COORD Mailing list.

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0. Welcome

AS welcomed the attendees.

1. Roll Call

GV performed the roll call and declared quorum.

2. Agenda Review

- ICANN Fellowship Committee
- ASO AC F2F 2019

3. Approval of Minutes

- a) September 2018

KB proposed the motion to approve the minutes. HC seconded the motion. AS asked the Secretariat to publish the minutes on the ASO AC website.

4. Open Actions

- **Action Item 20180905-01: AS to send a redline version of the current ASO AC operating procedures to clearly show the current and proposed text regarding quorum. AS to also send the proposed text for the ASO AC Chair and Vice Chair roles.**

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AS noted that the redline version of the ASO Operating Procedures had first been sent to the ASO AC and then on to the NRO EC, who had approved the changes. The Operating Procedures could now be updated with the new text on quorum.

JS asked for clarification on how the operating procedures would be implemented and what the intentions of the ASO AC is in regard to rescheduling. If all three members of a single region send apologies more than 24 hours in advance will the call get cancelled automatically? will it get rescheduled

automatically? Or will it only get cancelled if one of those members also specifically requests a cancellation?"

NN commented that the reason the changes had been proposed was to find a way to move forward when quorum could not be reached: if people sent apologies beforehand and it was clear that quorum would not be achieved, the teleconference would be rescheduled as usual. She added that the change was for practical reasons and was not meant to prevent a particular region from attending a teleconference.

KB noted that the ASO AC should implement the change to the Operating Procedures as written as the NRO EC had approved it. He noted that the change to quorum is a basic change to the Operating Procedures, which does not affect how the ASO AC votes offline on critical issues.

BJ agreed with NN and KB: the changes should be accepted as written.

AS noted that there had been agreement on the changes to quorum on the mailing list and asked if there were any final objections to making the proposed changes to the Operating Procedures.

NN asked why discussion on this was ongoing. She noted that the ASO AC had discussed this for several months already and had sent a final version of the proposed changes to the Operating Procedures to the NRO EC and those changes had been approved. She asked that the discussion on quorum not be re-opened, as it was too late to raise objections after the NRO EC had already approved the changes. She added that the ASO AC had already had ample time to object.

HC agreed with NN.

JS noted that although the procedure could be simplified (offered 3 possibilities) which clearly addresses the question of what the ASO AC regarding implementation, it is better to adopt as written and modify later if needed, that start the process again.

JS noted that if the ASO AC had accepted a motion to send the proposed changes to the Operating Procedures to the NRO EC and the changes were subsequently approved as written, then the ASO AC could then simply make the changes part of the Operating Procedures.

KB noted that it was his recollection that the changes were being sent to the NRO EC for review. It had not been clear to him that, if approved, the changes would be implemented in the Operating Procedures.

AS recapped that, during the September teleconference, the following was noted:

AS noted that, if all agreed, it would be sent to the NRO EC as the text that the ASO AC proposed to be added to the ASO AC operating procedures. The NRO EC must approve any changes to the operating procedures so it was possible that they may request changes to the text.

And the following action item was noted:

Action Item 20180905-01: AS to send a redline version of the current ASO AC operating procedures to clearly show the current and proposed text regarding quorum

KB noted he was comfortable with the wording and, as the NRO EC did not request any revisions, the ASO AC should vote to implement the changes as written in the Operating Procedures.

AS noted that to reach the four-fifths majority, 12 people must have agreed, via the mailing list, to accept the changes.

GV confirmed that 12 ASO AC members had accepted the changes via the mailing list. He continued that, from a procedural point of view, all steps to make a change to the ASO AC Operating Procedures had been completed. The next step would be for the Secretariat to update the document and send a confirmation

of the changes to the AC-COORD mailing list. He added that the new criteria would be applied as of the next teleconference.

Current text:

Eight members of the council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business providing that there is at least one person present from each of the five (5) RIR Geographic Regions.

New text:

Eight members of the council shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business providing that there is at least one person present from each of the five (5) RIR Geographic Regions. If all three ASO AC representatives from a particular region are unable to attend an ASO AC meeting, they can specifically request that the meeting is rescheduled, at least 24hrs before the start of the meeting. Unless such a rescheduling request has been received, a quorum of 4 regions will be accepted for the ASO AC meeting to proceed.

New Action Item 181010-1: Secretariat to update the ASO AC Operating Procedures to reflect the approved changes to quorum and to send confirmation to the AC-COORD Mailing list.

5. ASO Procedures Changes Status

This was discussed during agenda item 4. *Open Action Items.*

6. ICANN 63 Planning

a) ASO AC Workshop

See discussion under agenda item 6c) *ASO Update.*

b) Joint Meeting ASO - ICANN Board

AS noted that a brief ASO AC update could be given during the Joint ASO - ICANN Board Meeting instead of at the cancelled ASO Update session. In the past, the ASO AC had updated the Board on regional policies.

KB did not think that an ASO Update during the Joint ASO – ICANN Board Meeting would be relevant for the Board.

BJ commented that at previous meetings, the ASO AC had given a presentation during the joint ASO AC – ICANN Board meeting.

AS noted that the presentation to the ICANN Board would be the generic update that was always given. This included an overview of how many RIR meetings had been held, policies under discussion and the Number community appointments to the Board.

KB noted that this would be OK: he had been concerned about adding in fillers and expanding this brief update.

c) ASO Update

AS explained that the NRO EC had suggested that the ASO Update session be canceled. He continued that the NRO EC had noted that past sessions had not been well attended and that there was not much new information to update the community on. Updates would be given during the other three ASO related sessions instead.

CR noted the cancelation of the ASO Update session.

KB noted that, if the ASO AC wanted to give a generic update, perhaps it could be added to the agenda for the ASO AC workshop.

AS noted that, while the session is called a workshop, it was an informal session for the ASO AC to discuss matters: it would not be minuted or recorded and there was no quorum requirement. Remote participation would be provided.

NN noted that sessions were only useful when there was a good agenda. She continued that it was not clear what the ASO AC would be doing during the workshop session. In the past, the ASO AC had convened during the ICANN meeting and the monthly ASO AC teleconference was usually replaced by that session.

She continued that the public ASO Update sessions were usually populated with ASO AC members, RIR staff and very few community members. In 2017, the ASO AC had put together a great agenda and invited other community members to attend the ASO Update, which had resulted in a dynamic session.

NN added that, while she respected the NRO EC's comments, the decision to cancel the ASO Update should be a joint one. It was probably too late to organize an interesting ASO Update session at this point but she did not believe the solution would be to add an update to the ASO AC Workshop session, which should be a working session that people could attend to observe how the ASO AC operates.

d) Joint Meeting ASO AC - NRO EC

AS noted that he would like each region to give an update on the ASO Review community consultations in their respective regions during the Joint ASO AC – NRO EC session. He noted that the consultations in the APNIC region had almost concluded.

KB noted that, in the ARIN region, the ASO AC representatives were not involved in guiding the process and contributed only as members of the community. He added that he would not feel comfortable giving an update and that ARIN staff should be asked to provide it.

FY noted that this was the same for the RIPE region: the ASO AC representatives were not involved in the process. Axel Pawlik should be asked to give the update.

AS commented that he would send a note to the NRO EC and ask for updates on the ASO Review consultations from the RIPE and ARIN regions. The AC representatives from AFRINIC, APNIC and LACNIC could give the updates for their regions.

NM noted that, in the AFRINIC region, the consultation process was still ongoing. An email was sent to the community but no feedback was received and the deadline for sending in comments had passed. The AFRINIC ASO AC representatives had discussed having another consultation with the community during the upcoming AFRINIC Meeting, as perhaps asking for feedback via mailing list was not the best approach.

7. Any Other Business

- **ICANN Fellowship Committee**

AS noted that the ICANN Fellowship Committee would be changing due to recommendations that came out of a public review of the ICANN Fellowship Program. Currently, there were four Fellowship Committee members who review applications. ICANN staff make the final decision. He explained that the proposed new committee structure would include one appointee from each SO/AC.

AS noted that he had sent a note to the NRO EC asking if they had concerns about this and he had not yet received a response. He continued that, as noted in the ASO Review Recommendations, there was general concern about the ASO engaging in ICANN activities that were not directly related to the Numbers community. However, he noted that he believed that the ICANN Fellowship was very important for the Numbers community: it was the only way for many community members to attend the ICANN meetings.

BJ agreed with AS. He noted that the ICANN Fellowship offers a good opportunity for the Number community to attend the ICANN Meetings.

AS noted that ICANN staff had proposed that he continue serving on the Fellowship Committee for another two years but he noted he would be stepping down.

KB asked if AS's appointment to the Fellowship committee was on behalf of ASO AC.

AS noted that it was not: ICANN staff had appointed him.

KB asked what the time commitment for this position was.

AS noted that the time commitment was substantial – for example there were over 500 applications for the latest round and each one took at least ten minutes to review.

KB suggested that this was discussed during the Joint ASO AC – NRO EC Meeting. He noted that having an appointee on the ICANN Fellowship Committee might be useful for the Numbers community but the appointment also had a significant workload.

AS noted that he would add this to the Joint ASO AC – NRO EC session agenda. He commented that the appointee does not have to be an ASO AC representative: it could be someone else from the ASO.

BJ noted that if someone from the ASO AC was willing to volunteer then they could be proposed as a possible candidate.

AS noted that if the ASO does not appoint someone now, then the next opportunity to appoint would be in two year's time. He continued that it would be better to appoint someone now so they can be involved in setting up the new Fellowship Committee processes.

- **F2F meeting 2019**

AS noted that the ASO AC had agreed to hold its 2019 F2F meeting at the first ICANN Meeting of the year, ICANN 64 in Kobe, Japan.

Adjourn

The motion to adjourn was proposed by HC. BJ seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 12:38 UTC.