IETF Administrative Restructuring

IETF Plenary – Nov 10, 2004
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Overview

• Where we are today
• How we got here
• What’s next
Today’s Status

• We believe there is community consensus for moving the administrative activity forward as an ISOC activity
• This does not affect the IETF technical process
• Defining documents are still drafts
• We will proceed with transition to IASA model
How we got here (1)

- August 2003
  - Convened an IAB Advisory Committee on reorg
- IETF58 (November 2003)
  - presented Advisory Committee findings in plenary
- IETF59 (March 2004)
  - IAB & IESG had extensive discussions; uniformly supported direction proposed by AdminRest
  - presented draft-daigle-adminrest-00.txt and related documents in plenary
- May 2004
  - circulated revised draft-daigle-adminrest document to IAB/IESG, and reconfirmed decision to pursue support for creating a detailed transition plan
  - Asked ISOC for funding to design and carry out the transition plan
How we got here (2)

- **June 2004**
  - hired Carl Malamud, on an ISOC project, to provide consulting in fleshing out administrative restructuring possibilities
- **August 2004**
  - draft consultant report
  - after community debate, revised scenario proposals
- **September 30, 2004**
  - IAB, IESG and ISOC BoT met face to face
- **October 2004**
  - IAB/IESG recommendation to organize the administrative support function as an ISOC Activity
    - draft-iab-iesg-adminrest-rec-00.txt
  - draft BCP defining activity
    - draft-wasserman-iasa-bcp-01.txt
Next Steps – Structural Goals

• Meet administrative support needs of the IETF in 2005 and beyond
• Get full BCP approval before binding actions are taken
• Major decisions should be made by the people responsible for long term success
• Move as quickly as possible towards well-structured, accountable, transparent administrative support activity for the IETF
Next Steps – Process

• Finalize BCP
  – IETF Chair will pick editors; editorial team will publish draft-ietf-iasa-bcp (Nov 15)
  – community discussion (plenary, and on the IETF list)
  – Subject matter review from people with legal/org expertise
  – Revised version published based on discussion and review (Dec 1)

• Approve BCP (Dec)
  – IETF Chair makes Last Call (as Gen AD) (Dec 1 to Dec 28)
  – community discussion & IESG approval (Jan 6)
  – ISOC BoT approval (some date)
  – Ask Nomcom officially to fill Nomcom-selected IAOC slots
Next Steps – Organization

• Appoint transition team for spin-up activities (Nov)
  – refining structure of IASA and defining priorities for RFPs, sole
    source contracts, etc.
  – Start the process of IAD selection
  – We’ve asked for proposed team members to be suggested to the
    IAB/IESG – send e-mail by the end of this week

• Seat initial IAOC (Jan/Feb)
  – Formally hire IAD
  – start final contract negotiations and approval (Mar)

• Contracts or other agreements in place for all IASA
  portions (mid-year 2005)
IETF support for 2005

• In August, we were optimistic
  – seemed likely we would wrap up the organizational discussion in September, and look to RFP Secretariat services for 2005

• We’re now in November
  – not possible to RFP before 2005

• CNRI has been working on some new proposals for Secretariat in 2005
  – IASA transition team will work on reviewing details as they are available
  – May be viable to continue with sole source for a period of time AND integrate with IASA