DotAsia Board Governance Committee (BGC) Meeting Minutes 2024-03-13 (FINAL)



DotAsia Board Governance Committee (BGC) Meeting Minutes		
Date(s) & Time:	March 13, 2024 (Wednesday) 1:00 PM – 1:58 PM (HKT)	
Location:	DotAsia Zoom Meeting Room: <u>http://aji.asia/zoomboardgov</u>	
Attendees:	Satish BABU Jordan CARTER Nicole CHAN Edmon CHUNG Maureen HILYARD Jose LAY Akinori MAEMURA Timothy LI (DotAsia Team)	

No.	Action Items:	Owner	Remarks
G2024.02.A01	Set up a webinar for updated Board Elections Procedures.	Edmon CHUNG	Completed.
G2024.02.A02	Draft a summary version of Code of Conduct.	Edmon CHUNG	Completed.
G2024.03.A01	Draft a document to describe general ethos of Board interactions.	Edmon CHUNG	To be presented at next BGC meeting.
G2024.03.A02	Setup and complete a Board Skills Matrix Survey.	Edmon CHUNG and Board	Completed.

## **Discussions:**

#### 1. Roll Call

- 1.1. Satish BABU chaired the BGC meeting on March 13, 2024.
- 1.2. Roll call. Those present for all or part of the meeting are included in the Attendees section.

# 2. Adoption of last BGC Meeting minutes (February 14, 2024)

- 2.1. Draft 1 of BGC meeting minutes 2024.02.14 and action items were presented.
- 2.2. BGC meeting minutes 2024.02.14 were adopted.



# 3. Review of BGC-002: DotAsia Code of Conduct

- 3.1. It was noted that there were no further edits since the last board meeting. A reader friendly summary version of the Code of Conduct was circulated and presented.
- 3.2. A comment was raised on numbering the summary document. It was explained that the summary is intended to be on the website only with link to the Code of Conduct itself.
- 3.3. It was agreed to table the updated Code of Conduct for Board adoption at the scheduled April meeting, with the effective date set for the AGM on May 23.

#### 4. Update on Board Elections 2024

- 4.1. It was noted that the only change to the Notice of Board Elections 2024 is the addition of the seating of Nomination Committee now that the amended Articles are approved.
- 4.2. It was reported that the NomCom has requested for the development of a Board Skills Matrix, which would provide information on whether there are any skill gaps that may be complemented.
  - 4.2.1. Samples of skills matrices were presented for reference.
  - 4.2.2. It was proposed that two parts be incorporated into the Board Skills Matrix:
    - Community & Domain Industry Knowledge
      - Internet governance experience
      - ICANN policy experience
      - Asia Pacific Internet community experience
      - Domain Industry experience
    - General Knowledge
      - Financial expertise
        - Legal expertise
        - Marketing & PR Communications expertise
        - Human Resource & Operations expertise
        - o Internet & Information Technology expertise
        - Risk Management expertise
        - Strategic Planning expertise
        - Not-for-Profit Management expertise
- 4.3. A comment was raised about the norms and values of the DotAsia Board that is not written down anywhere but directors generally subscribe to that makes the board function well.
  - 4.3.1. It was further commented that for the purposes of the NomCom, there is already specific guidance that the Board is looking for



people who want to support the organization in a way that is consistent with its mission and vision.

- 4.3.2. It was suggested that a separate document describing the general ethos of the Board in looking for consensus development, rather than antagonistic voting be developed. (G2024.03.A01)
- 4.4. It was noted that an online Board Skills Survey based on the discussed aspects will be setup and circulated to the Board for completing. (G2024.03.A02)

## 5. Next Steps on Amendments to Articles

- 5.1. Several open items raised by Members during the Member Engagement process for the amendments to the DotAsia Articles but deferred for a future iteration of the Articles were brought up for further discussion.
- 5.2. A comment was raised suggesting that these items be taken up after the completion of the Board Elections 2024 when a new board is seated with the amended Articles. It was also noted that continuity and institutional memory of the context of the suggestions are important to be kept.
- 5.3. It was suggested and agreed that further discussion of the outstanding suggestions be deferred to the next F2F Board meeting.