

Board Minutes - 13 February 2006

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Meeting of the .au Domain Administration Board

13 February 2006 - 1.00pm

Maddocks. Level 7, 140 William Street. Melbourne VIC 3000

Present:

Greg Crew, Roger Dean, Chris Disspain, Brett Fenton, David Goldstein, Kim Heitman, Cheryl Langdon-Orr, Jo Lim, Elspeth Ross, Josh Rowe, Peter Shilling, Tony Staley

Teleconference:

Bennett Oprysa

Observers:

Andrew Maurer (DCITA), Craig Ng (Maddocks) and John Higgins (Hayes Knight)

Apologies:

Greg Watson

1. Continuous Disclosure

There were no matters to be disclosed.

2. Confirmation of Minutes

The minutes of the November 2005 meeting were confirmed.

3. Community Geographic Domain Names

Leonie Parkinson presented the business plan for the new organisation, to be known as .au Community Domains (auCD). auCD will receive approximately \$1.5m seed funding from auDA, and is aiming to become self-funding in the third year of operation.

There was some discussion about the auCD budget, and it was suggested that the proposed web portal software licensing fee may be higher than current market rates.

Motion (proposed GC, seconded KH): That the board (1) instruct Maddocks to incorporate the trustee company and settle the trust; (2) instruct the CEO to finalise the funding agreement between auDA and auCD; and (3) appoint TS, CLO, JL and Paul Harcombe to the auCD board. Carried.

4. Finance Report

The board noted the accounts.

5. CEO Report

The following issues were noted:

GST ruling

CD advised that he would be meeting ATO officials to clarify their recent ruling on the issue of foreign registrars charging GST to .au registrants.

Staff planning day

auDA staff held a planning day on 10 February. Issues for 2006 include:

- new registry licence
- policy reviews – ‘megarants’, sale of domain names, password policy, auDRP, WHOIS, registrar accreditation, resellers
- new 2LDs – including conf.au and info.au
- release of TLDs and remaining geographic names|
- policy training for registrars
- IPv6 working group
- internal disaster recovery.

6. auDA Foundation

The Foundation will issue its first call for submissions in February/March.

7. Membership Applications

The members below were accepted in the classes indicated:

Paul Day (Demand)

8. Board Correspondence

No correspondence was received.

9. Other Business

Remuneration Committee

The Committee’s terms of reference (circulated by email) were confirmed, subject to comments from Greg Watson.

Council of Country Code Administrators (COCCA)

DG advised that he has been invited to become an observer on the COCCA board, and COCCA has requested observer status on the auDA board.

Action: DG to follow up with Garth Miller of COCCA.

10. Next Meeting

The next board meeting will be held on Monday 10 April at 10.30am.