

# **DotAsia Board Community Projects Committee (BCC) Meeting Minutes**

Date(s) & Time:	March 17, 2020 (Tuesday) 14:30 – 15:30 HKT
Location:	DotAsia Zoom Meeting Room: http://aji.asia/zoomboardcommunity
Attendees:	Satish BABU Edmon CHUNG Lianna GALSTYAN* Maureen HILYARD (Guest Board Member) Tommy MATSUMOTO Freda CHEUNG (DotAsia Team) *Left meeting after completion of Item 5.3.2

No.	Action Items:	Owner	Remarks
C2019.08.A01	Set review frequency of projects.	BCC	DotAsia Technical Team is working with East Timor Project, that has been delayed, will be updated in next BCC meeting.
C2019.08.A03	Combine and summarize the Word and Excel file of Community Projects and identify a previous activity conducted that encourages DotAsia branding (Dashboard).	Edmon CHUNG	DotAsia Technical Team is working with East Timor Project, that has been delayed, will be updated in next BCC meeting.
C2020.01.A02	Identify resource input, set measurement matrix and start collecting data for community projects. Further details will be provided for discussion in the next BCC meeting.	DotAsia Team	DotAsia Technical Team is working with East Timor Project, that has been delayed, will be updated in next BCC meeting.
C2020.03.A01	Collect the types of information that can be regularly distributed to Advisory Council members.	Edmon Chung	To be circulated before the next BCC meeting.
C2020.03.A02	Formalize and confirm Billy's and Nicole's application to join Board Committees at the next Board Meeting.	DotAsia Team	Completed.
C2020.03.A03	Discuss further with BFC on the appropriate measures to separate the financial operations of DotAsia Organisation and Foundation.	Edmon Chung	Completed.



No.	Action Items:	Owner	Remarks
C2020.03.A04	Brainstorm ideas to support the community through the Coronavirus situation in Asia.	DotAsia Team	

## **Discussions:**

#### 1. Roll Call

- 1.1. Mr. Satish BABU led the meeting as Chair of BCC.
- 1.2. Roll call. Those present for all or part of the meeting are included in the Attendees section.

# 2. Approval of Last Board Community Projects Committee Meeting Minutes (February 10, 2020)

- 2.1. BCC meeting minutes 2020.02.10 and action items were discussed.
- 2.2. BCC meeting minutes 2020.02.10 approved unanimously.

#### 3. Engagement of Advisory Council (cont'd from last meeting)

- 3.1. Currently, Advisory Council is utilized for considering SCP funding activities only. However, many DotAsia community projects actively involve Co-Sponsor Member organizations.
- 3.2. There was suggestion to mobilize the Advisory Council by collaborating in community projects.
- 3.3. To stimulate participation, there was agreement to provide regular DotAsia updates to Advisory Council. Suggestion on the type of information to distribute will be discussed at next meeting. (C2020.03.A01)
- 3.4. There was suggestion to review the role and responsibilities of Advisory Council.
- 3.5. The member list of Advisory Council was presented to BCC, there are currently 14 Advisory Council members.
- 3.6. There was discussion about renewing and reaffirming AC members' interest in contributing to DotAsia works.

#### 4. New Board Members joining Board Committees

- 4.1. DotAsia team reported that information about Board Committees were sent to Nicole and Billy.
- 4.2. Nicole has expressed her interest in joining the BCC and BGC, whereas Billy is still considering.

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4.3. Their submission to join the Board Committees should be formalized and confirmed at the next Board Meeting. (C2020.03.A02)

#### 5. Utilization of Government & Foundation Grants and Funding for DotAsia

- 5.1. DotAsia reported that it has been proactively seeking foundation and government grants to support community projects activities. It was proposed to discuss the approach and types of grants that DotAsia should consider.
- 5.2. It was agreed that the DotAsia team could proceed with new projects if it aligns with DotAsia's values, vision & mission and pertains no conflict of interest with the organization.
- 5.3. Question was raised if grant application is needed if projects meet DotAsia's vision & mission. As a not-for-profit organization, .Asia domain registration income should contribute to community projects.
  - 5.3.1. There was suggestion that the promotion of .Asia domain registrations should be considered for community projects.
  - 5.3.2. There was discussion and agreement that DotAsia should remain focused on its vision and mission and not be dependent or driven by the agenda of grants and funding organizations.
- 5.4. Question was raised if DotAsia Foundation has enough funding to support community projects.
  - 5.4.1. It was clarified that the existing budget could support current project activities (APrIGF, NetMission and Universal Acceptance) as-is; however, more resources would be needed if we would like to further scale existing projects.
  - 5.4.2. It was clarified that community projects are allocated funding from DotAsia Organisation to DotAsia Foundation. There is no separate operational bank account for DotAsia Foundation at the moment. DotAsia team is working on creating a separate bank account for DotAsia Foundation and Namesphere for future operations.
  - 5.4.3. It was clarified that the stated vision and mission applies to DotAsia Organisation and Foundation.
  - 5.4.4. It was suggested to discuss with BFC on how to effectively separate the financial operations of DotAsia Organisation and Foundation for clarity. (C2020.03.A03)

#### 6. New Community Projects in Exploration

- 6.1. Update on "We Think Digital" program with FB and ISOC HK was provided.
- 6.2. Joint Project Exploration with APNIC Foundation
  - 6.2.1. Draft project proposal developed by APNIC Foundation and circulated to BCC for consideration and reference.

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6.3. DNS Abuse Engagement with Community to be further discussed in next BCC meeting.

### 7. DotAsia's Action for the Coronavirus Outbreak in Asia

7.1. There was suggestion to consider how DotAsia can contribute its efforts for alleviating the Coronavirus situation. Some ideas discussed include technical assistance to NGOs for hosting remote meetings and working with registrars to assist SME with remote working tools. More to be discussed at the next BCC meeting. (C2020.03.A04)