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OCLUG Board of Directors Meeting August 10, 2011 19:00 to 20:50

Present: Rob Echlin Mike Kenzie Rob Day JS Taylor

Guests Aaron Wilcox John Nash

Membership updates

- MK - secretary's responsibility (JS Taylor)

Paypal for donations?

- Do we have an account? yes, Ian Ward has access information - this should be in "panic book"
 - Should be an offline version of the panic book
- Paypal charges for small transactions!
- Is there any point to having a "donate" button, there's plenty of money in the bank

Adding Aaron Wilcox to BoD

- Motion to appoint → passed

Status of Past President

- John Nash is willing to come to Board meetings when able
- Mike Kenzie noted that previous Board members had similarly

helped out to provide continuity and extra help

September Meeting

- see below for later resolution
- Possibly CodeFactory → would need to pay
- In future, run LitW in September to boost attendance?
- Library doesn't have internet or projector, kick us out at 9PM
- UofO & Algonquin

FOSSLC

- Cost of tickets → full access \$119
- RMS is opening keynote speaker
- Asking for \$500 sponsorship → a few free tickets
 - Who decides who gets the tickets?
 - Limited exposure for this amount
- Only asked yesterday!!
 - Too short notice to make an informed decision
 - Event doesn't exactly meet OCLUG's objectives
- Motion to inform FOSSLC that their request was received too late, contact us earlier next year with more detailed information → passed
 - R Echlin to respond to their email

Meeting Themes

- Need to find speakers
- Embedded Linux
 - Wind River? → we know several people there
- Common thread → by the end of the evening someone should go home saying “I can't wait to try this”
 - More hands-on demo sessions
- Drop-in Help sessions?

R Day had to leave at 8PM

Membership increase

- Better to keep the entire group together
 - Not splitting out into subgroups (beginners, experts etc)
- Many experienced Linux users don't know about OCLUG
- Lack of advanced notice of meeting topics/speakers

Talk subjects

- head to head timing tests (Windows vs #! vs Ubuntu vs ???)
 - Get a bunch of the cheap 2nd hand DTs (TTE?), would be good if they're all the same
 - Someone with a referee's shirt & whistle?
 - Invite media?
- Advertise the meetings as a good practice run for people giving talks at conferences
 - J Nash is giving a talk in Santa Barbara
- Linux gaming night?
 - Gav from Cedega gave a talks a few years ago
 - Stick to OSS games
 - Interactive games
 - This will need to be heavily tested beforehand
 - Have things running by September 1st
 - Saturday gaming meeting as the September meeting
 - Reoccurring meeting, like LitW
 - Continue discussion online
 - Concentrate on games that can be run on a laptop
 - Need to set up server(s) to link user's computers together
 - GCompris → kids games from OLPC
 - Could get a room at UofO on a Saturday → may cost \$50
 - Saturday could be easier at Algonquin, could get lots of Algonquin students

NOTE: Since Board meeting, this has been arranged for Sat Sept 17

- Series of related talks
 - J Nash → scientific computing
 - Contact Carleton U group
- Haskell talk (Andrew Clunis?)
- NumPy, Euler, PyGame

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