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2021-06-28

Attendees:

Board:

- Bruce Davis (x)
- Brett Delmage (x)
- Ian Gorman (x)
- Marc Moleman (x)
- Scott Murphy (x)
- John Nash (x)
- Tug Williams (x)

Guests:

- None

Start time:

- Time: 19:05
- Call to order: Ian
- Second: Marc

Location:

- The URL will be: <https://six.linux-ottawa.org/Jun2021BoardMeet>

Review of any outstanding minutes

- Approval of previous minutes. <https://wiki.linux-ottawa.org/doku.php?id=boardminutesmay-2021>
- We should be able to get any missing minutes up, as the Slack channel does go back quite a ways
- Motion to accept: Scott
- Second: Tug

Regular Agenda Items

It has been a while since we have had a formal agenda, which is probably not a good thing, Since we have a couple of new board members, I'm going to start doing it again. The format stays the same and

we have been adjusting over the past year. I suspect we may as well expect this as normal for the rest of the year if the speed of vaccinations in this province has anything to do with it.

New to Linux

- On hiatus since we are using the first talk for this purpose.

Linux-Ottawa Distro Project

Based on a discussion John and I had since the last meeting, we think we should turn this over to someone who is actually new to Linux as the lead and both of us will assist rather than drive, as we are not new linux users. This may move the project along.

I'm volunteering Marc, as he has been quite active in trying things out.

Treasurer's Report

- We have visited the bank and once again are amazed at their stellar record keeping.
- Individuals present:
 - Scott
 - Ian
 - John
- We did get the account password reset so we can see online.
- The current balance is: \$5172.82
- The last time anybody logged in was: 2020-05-20
- I have reset the password and will be communicating it to the other two signers as soon as I have their GPG keys.
- I have John's key, so I have sent the account details to him. Ian will be next, assuming we can get him using GPG for emails. Worst case, I'll attach an encrypted file and send it to him.

DATE	TRANSACTION	WITHDRAWAL (\$)	DEPOSIT (\$)	BALANCE (\$)
01 Jan.	Balance forward			\$5,172.82
31 Dec.	Closing totals			\$5,172.82

Mailing List

- I've seen emails from the problem children, so it is possible that the flagged system has fallen off the blacklist. Has anyone else heard any rumblings of issues at our end? I'm not talking about the issue that was recently on the list.
- John and Tug have your issues cleared up? - the addresses appear to have cleared the black list, so the issue seems to have corrected itself.
- Issue deferred until we have something specific to reference

Calendar

- Do we want to try using the calendar I dropped on the website last month? I have not done much with it beyond just putting it in place.
- If you want to try it out, I will provide an account. Apparently we can create a view that “stacks” events in a common view.

The list of repeating sessions

We should review our repeating sessions list and see if we want to continue them all. *

https://wiki.linux-ottawa.org/doku.php?id=bdstuff:repeating_meeting_sessions * keep the list around for reference, but review the list to see if the contents are still relevant.

Planned Regular Meetings

Upcoming Regular Meetings

July

- Speaker: John Nash
- Topic: New2Linux:
- Speaker: Brett Delmage
- Topic: New2Linux: deferred eMail talk as per previous description

August

- Speaker: John Nash
 - Topic: New2Linux:Boot up
- Speaker: Scott Murphy
 - Topic: Digital Signage for the home (tentative)

September

- Speaker: John Nash
 - Topic: New2Linux:Choices in Editor
- Speaker: Scott Murphy
 - Topic: Balena “cloud service” results

Suggested topics:

- File systems
- “10 minute introduction to a topic you didn't know existed” spots
- Man pages
- The firing line - newbie chooses topic, asks old hand to speak for 10 minutes'
- Tools and resources for newbies
- Talk about the different distress
- BSD - possibly invite a speaker
- it may be a long talk, as it is very different fro an install and administer point of view, but operates similarly since it uses most of the same tools and programs.
- ASM

List of Possible topics

https://wiki.linux-ottawa.org/doku.php?id=bdstuff:list_of_potential_meeting_topics

New business:

- Secretarial duties passed to Marc Moleman starting next month
- Leavitt memorial -
- Door prizes of machines (from some salvaged 2nd hand systems) While we have a long time to prepare before we start doing physical meeting, it may take some time to prepare.
- Once Physical meetings start - Saturday newbie sessions?
- <https://emmabuntus.org/category/english/> - as a potential bistro for newbies.
- Accessibility tools for Linux?

Adjournment:

- Time: 20:09
- Motion: John Nash
- Seconded: Marc Moleman

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