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November # OCLUG Board Meeting

Meeting of: November 28, 2017

Location:

- Skype Board Member channel

Participants:

Board:

- Kelly Kendrick [x]
- Scott Murphy [x]
- Bruce Davis [x]
- Ian Gorman [x]
- John Nash [x]

Guests:

- None

Start Time:

- 20:00
- Motion to start - Scott
- 2nded - John

Review of any outstanding minutes

- October minutes on website approved.
- September's still needs to be converted to the dokuwiki format from the Slack channel records. This will have to wait until next meeting.
- Going forward it is agreed to include the relevant portions of the agenda as part of the minutes.

Regular Agenda Items

Committee Reports

New to Linux (New Users)

- No new people at the last meeting. It was a fairly small group.
- Alex was there and there was some lively discussion

L3GO (Low Level Linux Group)

- Question raised as whether or not to continue the meetings as Ian will likely be missing a number in the near future and others may not have the bandwidth to attend on a regular basis.
- Ian wants to keep it as a regular agenda item and will try to free up some time to attend.
- Better to show it as more than a mailing list. It is a small group, but closely related to OCLUG, being a specialized subgroup.

OCLUG Distro Project Update

- some minor progress
- May need to review the status with others in the organization to clarify the problems
- I've got EFI and legacy versions, but not a dual that works, even though recipes seem to indicate they should work.
- Scott may be able to provide some feedback this coming Sunday.

Treasurer's Report

- Bank balance 5,099.19 today.
- The card won't allow us to check at the machine, but the treasurer can take the card and driver's licence to the counter and they will tell him the balance.
- We really need to get set up with online access
- Scott will get receipts for the stickers and new site hosting to Ian for reimbursement.
- We need to get a cheque book for reimbursements
- We need to make some changes to the cheques, to account for current circumstances.
- Once we have decided on an address etc. for the cheques, we will communicate the financial institution to get things changed.

Room Allocation

Old Data Recovery

- This will be taken off the agenda as the task has been completed.

Tux “Maintenance”:

Online Activities

- Clean up the wiki landing pages and archive the content that is out of date and unused.
- Need to add something on the landing page to direct to L3GO activities and content.
- Add a stub (at least) for the mailing list.
- John to transfer content from the old site to the new site (wiki).
- Suggestion made by Scott, to keep both the static and the wiki sites
- Scott is looking for feedback on theme suggestions for the static site.
- The basic premise is that the wiki will be for dynamic content and the static site for stuff that does not change much.

Board Meetings and Openness

- There does not appear to be much traction on this topic in spite of the meeting being in the calendar available to everyone

Future Meetings

Month - December

Speaker:

- Scott
- John

Topic:

- Open discussion about scripting
- A brief contrast between DOS and *nix for accepting console input would be interesting

Suggestion for making every December a panel/lightning talk session

Month - January

- Speaker: Renato (confirmed)
- Topic: Flash vs. Spinning disk drives

Need to start mentioning the Annual General Meeting / Election

Month - February

- Speaker: - Scott
- Topic: - Pirate box

Month

Speaker:

Topic:

Speaker:

Topic:

List of possible topics for future meetings

This is a live wish list. It should grow and shrink with the topics we come up with. It is good to have a reference so we don't lose possible topics. Feel free to add to the list. [X] indicates we did this one.

- Use the update of the wiki as fodder for discussion? [X]
- Blogging
- Tools for making graphics in a productive fashion
- Ditaa as a possible options
- Mermaid as a possible options
- GraphViz
- Dia
- E- ven raw SVG production might be of interest.
- Node.js
- MongoDB
- Arduino Talk (Peter S)
- AngularJS & VScode
- Platform independency for application users: Why doesn't my program work on my computer? [X]
- MicroVAX (will be a topic after Scott gets it all working) - HW seems OK now that motherboard has been replaced - Procuring an additional one that might allow me to figure out the remaining issues
Issue getting the console working properly
- PDP8 emulator & PiDP8 Hardware Panel - Scott Murphy (when completed) - Obsolete telephone reuse
- Virtual Box and Docker integration

- Scott working on a PirateBox talk ## New business:
- none

Adjournment:

- Motion to adjourn - John
- Seconded - Ian
- Time: 9:48

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