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# Board Minutes September 2007

**Feel free to add an item of discussion to the OCLUG Board Agenda.**

This meeting: Sept 25, 2007 Location: Roland's house

Present: JohnNash, RolandRenaud, IanWard, MargaretTidman, MichaelRichardson, BrendaButler

## Approve Last Month's Board Meeting Minutes

- 2007 August BoardMinutesAugust2007

Moved by: JohnNash

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Seconded by: RolandRenaud\\
Unanimous to approve version 8 of minutes, abstain IanWard.
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## Review ForwardAgenda

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No items to add.
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## Review Open Action Items.

- ACTION: Roland to make appointment to visit bank (secondary signers)

DONE!

- ACTION: maggi to ask bart re tracking of the donations at tutorials.

DONE!

- ACTION: ask wardi about Trac for issue tracking and site development. http://devel.oclug.on.ca

Anyone can create an account on the trac. Use the REGISTER button.

- ACTION: bjb to ask Charles if Oct 14, 2007 is ok for sysadmin work party, and get on with organizing

October 14 is okay for work-party. MichaelRichardson and JohnNash may be in Toronto at onlinux.ca.

- ACTION: bjb to put banner/link to “free stickers” on oclug site (http://raro.oreto.inf-cr.uclm.es/apps/stickers/)

DONE!

- NEW ITEM: add link to programming contest page to left-hand side bar

ticket:4

- ACTION: nashjc to contact CLO re: speaker(s) for November/December 2007

JohnNash to remind CLO about this item.

## Address New Items

- NEW ITEM: bjb to relay lwn's offer to oclug

At OLS, bjb talked to John Corbet, lwn to offer 3 month trial subscription to lwn.

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We need to announce this to the members. \\
ACTION: send announcement, and document on web site. \\
ticket:5
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- NEW ITEM: wikipedia topic Linux_User_Group points to Linux Online (external links) which has outdated info about us:

http://www.linux.org/groups/canada/ontario.html

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ACTION: JohnNash \\
ticket:6
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- NEW ITEM: phpwiki updating

Some done today.

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http://oclug.on.ca/phpwiki?pagename=RecentChanges&days= gives all the pages.
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- NEW ITEM: mcr asks if we should retire phpwiki in favour of using trac's wiki.

MCR asks if we can convert automatically.... no.

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Ian points out that phpwiki has vulnerabilities. \\
ACTION: mcr will look at converting phpwiki pages to static HTML. \\
DISCUSSION ensused.\\
We agreed to make phpwiki read-only for now,
and point people at trac for new content. \\
We need to have a 10-line summary of the process, and an announcement
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that we are doing this.
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- NEW ITEM: donation tracking in meeting model on site

As part of the announcement (on the django web page), we can include an amount

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of donations for each meeting.  We will not be displaying this publically.
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- NEW ITEM: Open Source Weekend decided to wind-up, and donate the resulting

money to OCLUG.

- NEW ITEM: meeting locations, hold downtown again sometimes?

A number of people have expressed displeasure with the Algonquin College location,

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and would prefer it was downtown again, maybe sometimes. \\
Some discussion.  Noted that a number of people are attending at Algonquin
who did not attend downtown.  Start a wiki page... \\
OclugMeetingLocationOptions \\
Proponents are asked to please come up with location suggestions.
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## Status of Speakers

- October - MichaelRichardson
- November - DavidSkoll on Remind, (Pat on eee)
- December - open/CLO?
- January - Transcendental Virtualization (migration of windows to PC at Zen buddhist monastery)
- Ideas - Herb @ Storm on rural wireless/Linux at an ISP

- ACTION: We need to announce January meeting will be the second Tuesday.

## More Items

- announce availability of funds for projects that promote OSS/Linux in Ottawa

- ACTION: put announcement/web page up, inviting proposal for projects to promote linux in

Ottawa area. OCLUG will subsidize up to $500 for expenses.

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(This to include proposals to bring in a speaker from elsewhere) \\
MichaelRichardson and JohnNash. \\
ticket:10
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- Discussion about different ways to spend money to promote linux.

- Software Freedom Day

What happened? Who was there, why what how.

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 Can we get a report from Dru about this? \\
 (Added to forward agenda for 2008) \\
 ACTION: We will invite Dru to join us for a meeting (maybe with CLO as well?)
in the winter to discuss this.
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- Brenda: do we wish to add GTEC to forward agenda? Answer is no.

Brenda: what about onlinux.ca? JohnNash is talking about it. MichaelRichardson.

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 ACTION: we will put a linux on our site. ticket:12 \\
 Brenda: what about second event... YorkUniversityOpenSourceSymposium.
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- Discussion about other Toronto events.

Rather focus efforts locally. For instance, Mooney's Bay Computers.

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 Find a way to encourage more retailers to offer a Linux offering. \\
 ticket:13 - maybe help some stores put together stock/everything-works
desktop/laptop offerings.
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- More brainstorming about how to promote linux.

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