Internet Association of Australia

Board Progress Reports - DRAFT

Board Progress Report 2Q20

This report covers the period April – June 2020.

Decisions taken

The Board approved a new approach to events, moving to online delivery for the second half of the year, hoping that in person events will be possible in the Nov-Dec period. A number of adjustments were considered to work methods in light of the constraints imposed by quarantine. Staff travel would not be approved except for intra-state data centre visits. Interstate work would utilise remote hands or be deferred. Load changes to the network were closely observed, with no serious issues noted. A new Member Agreement was approved.

A Finance & Audit subcommittee was established. An independent investment adviser was appointed after a competitive review. The Board adopted an annual budget process and the annual budget for FY20-21 was approved, including substantial investment in inter-capital capacity, and switch and ancillary server upgrades.

Board Changes

No changes were made to the Board.

Staff Changes

Aaron Chidiac joined the organisation as a Peering Engineer. Narelle Clark was appointed as CEO after an extensive search. Terry Sweetser left the organisation.

Board Metrics

Meetings held: 4

Board Progress Report 1Q20

This report covers the period January - March 2020.

Decisions taken

The Association lent its support by way of sponsorship and technical support to APRICOT held in Melbourne, 12-21 Feb 2020. The event gave the Association significant exposure and was very successful. The Board also approved a full events program for the year, which unfortunately was promptly shelved due to COVID-19. Continuing sponsorship of PeeringDB was agreed.

During the period the Board commissioned a security audit and review of the network and systems and implemented a number of changes. No major issues were identified. A new telephone system was approved, and the Board was advised of a new 'Pager' system implemented to manage on-call alerts.

Board Changes

After advertising the position with members, Matt Enger filled the casual vacancy on the Board.

Staff Changes

No staff changes

Board Metrics

Meetings held: 3

Board Progress Report 4Q19

This report covers the period October – December 2019.

Decisions taken

QV1 Shutdown – this facility is now considered inappropriate for use as it doesn't meet modern telehousing standards. A program of notices and contact to those using the facility will be undertaken to rehouse, or decommission the items located there. This is expected to be complete by 31st March 2020.

The Board adopted a 'no contra' policy whereby all services in place will have a commercial contract in place for services. This was adopted due to liability, cost and GST issues.

At the request of the Board, a policy Workshop held with members and the Office of the Independent National Security Legislation Monitor to form part of the consultation on the review of the Telecommunications and Other Legislation Amendment Act (AABill).

Grief counselling and support for staff and the Ireland family provided, and contributions to the funeral. Thoughts are being given to a future activity or bequest in Kellie's name.

Board Changes

Jason Dale resigned from the Board. The Board thanks Jason for his service.

Staff Changes

Narelle Clark (GM), Washif Ahmed (Engineering) and Sonia Catiil (Accounts/Membership) joined, and Kelly Pauline left.

Board Metrics

Meetings held: 2