SB29/8 - Minutes of the 29th Steering Board Meeting

Monday 12th February 2018
09:00 UTC / 10:00 CET / 05:00 EST / 20:00 AEDT

Attendance

Walter HUIJTEN (NPO) (Chair)
Ben POOR (EBU) (Secretary)
Nicolas BRESOU (RTBF)
Kath BROWN (Commercial Radio Australia)
Joe D'ANGELO (DTS)
Alexander ERK (IRT for ARD)
John FARRELL (Frontier Silicon)
David LAYER (NAB)
Sean O'HALPIN (BBC)
Christian WINTER (AUDI)
Nick PIGGOTT (RadioDNS Project Director)

Agenda

1. Approval of the Minutes of the [28th Steering Board Meeting](#) (SB28/5).
   ALL APPROVED
2. Actions from previous meeting:
   a. BP to make sure that the IPR policy and disclosure period is clear to participants in the TG
      BP: Have signposted it to members of the TG.
      ACTION: BP to send the URL to the IPR to the members of the TG
   b. WH to renew PD contract, if appropriate, on 2nd January 2018
      WH: Appropriate and renwed.
   c. NP to run the Steering Board Election from 2nd January 2018
      NP: Ran the election
   d. ALL to come back to NP if there are questions about the brief for the testing platform.
      NP: None received
   e. NP to circulate Guidelines and Legal Text documents
      NP: Hasn't happened, apologised. Trying to minimise cost by doing a lot of the legwork, and that's added unacceptable delay.
      SOH: Can we just give it to the lawyer and spend some more money on getting to a first version faster? At the moment it's not in a form considered that can respondable to.
      ALL: Agreed to spend some extra money to get the draft.

NP: To send BBC RDNS licence to board
(http://radio-service-information.api.bbci.co.uk/terms.txt)
JD: How do you make sure that all the stations behind aggregators like Radioplayer are agreeing to the licence.
NP: We do a validation of permission now, which we'd continue to do. Ultimately, it would be the aggregators responsibility to have the rights in order to offer them on, and we wouldn't get involved with enforcing that.
AE: And we wouldn't have the money to enforce the licence. Our licence should just be a template for broadcasters without special requirements.
NP: Larger broadcasters can add bespoke conditions, because it's worth a mfrs while reviewing that licence specifically. Otherwise people should use the standard licence.

3. Approval of the 2017 Accounts ([SB29/2](#))
   KB: Is the investment in US paying off?
   NP: I think so, the market responds well to face to face meetings. We discussed yesterday, and it seems like a very important market.
   JD: Hard to know if the interest is sincere, or they're just using it as a competitive posture.
   WH: Are you asking if we're getting bang for the buck?
   KB: Are we getting value out of it?
   JD: It looks like we're making incremental progress. Without Nick going over there, we'd have no progress. They're be quick to respond if there was a big uptake on the car side.
   BP: Follows on from our strategy to aim for North America and Europe.
   SOH: What's our split on the two.
   NP: Showed the 2017 budget splits for conferences
   JF: (arrived)
   ALL: Accounts approved
   NP: **ACTION:** To get a clean copy to BP
   BP: **ACTION:** To sign and submit

4. Result of Steering Board Election ([SB29/3](#))
   WH: Is this the first time a board member as not a member
   NP/JF: No, I was, Nick Jurascheck
   NP: Reminder, we all act as individuals on the board, not corporate representation.
   NP: NXP want to join, but the IPR policy has a zero-cost requirement
   JD: Just being a member of the Steering Board doesn't trigger the IPR requirement?
   NP: No, its on the act of submitting the technology that triggers the IPR
   ALL: Nacho approved as appointed.
   NP: **ACTION**: Add Nacho to the Board of Directors

5. Project Office Report ([SB29/4](#))
   a. Membership Review
   b. Finance Review
   c. CES Report
      DL: NAB CTO Sam, please thank him for supporting RadioDNS. NAB has published an FM Radio SDK on Android phones, and just activated a support service for the SDK portal, so if you've tried using it and it wasn't working, please let us know. I will be at RadioDays Europe.
      DL: Left meeting.
      WH: What's the FM SDK for Android?
      JD: We did some work with NAB to create an SDK for FM Radio in Android phones, which is available to use.
   d. ACEA Meeting
      BP: Seemed like the meeting engaged with our proposal

BP: The trucker from Finland to Spain - how many logos will they see?
   e. HbbTV DNS
   f. Digital Radio Week Events
   g. RadioDays Europe 2018
      JD: We'd like to work and announce compliance at RadioDays. We'll have a booth and sponsoring the reception.
      KB: Be good to get lots of PR around it, planting stories and so on.
      SOH: I'll talk to Ben Cooper…
   h. ABU Digital Broadcast Summit
      KB: 140 people, 20 different countries. Have asked Nick to talk about hybrid at the conference and do a workshop. They're interested in European marque cars and connected radio. Trying to Asia Pac on board with hybrid digital radio.
      KB: Maybe Broadcast Asia comes back to a radio focus. If anyone wants to talk as a speaker at that, let me know.

6. Technology Group Report ([SB29/5](#))
   SOH: Is RadioDNS Andy? Why is RadioDNS is on its own technical group? I've had questions twice about it.
   BP: Nick and I discussed, because wanted to get Andy involved in the technical work.
   AE: Who's input goes into the "RadioDNS" vote?
   SOH: If you're a member of that group, then you get a vote. It would be good to have a vote, but constitutionally a bit odd.
   BP: The board sets the terms of reference for the TG.
   SOH: Do we just say that the board can appoint a representative onto the TG.
   NP: Andy would be directed by me, and thus, by the board.
   BP: We will codify it and explain it
   AE: No problem with Andy representing RadioDNS, so can we just explain it.
   SOH: The RadioDNS rep represents everyone who had no representation in the technical group.
   CW: Can we add new topics to the working group?
   BP: Of course, yes, and the Steering Board can also suggest projects.
   NP: Note that service level licensing will need backworking into the DAB SPI spec (and binary encoding)
   KB: We have done thinking and will submit that to the group.
   WH: Is there anything required from RDNS to update the CPA to handle voice devices?
   BP: If the board that modifying CPA is out of scope for RDNS, then somebody else could deal with it (EBU, BBC???).
   ALL: Agreeing it's not for the RDNS TG to review the CPA for voice activation.

7. Any Other Business
   KB: Will you circulate the notes from the strategy discussion?
   NP: Yes, I will tidy up and circulate.
   SOH: We're hoping that Dave Walters (HoT, Radio) to get involved with RadioDNS, so he's going to act as my delegate at the Steering Board until the elections next year, and if he finds it's not right, he'll stop. But this could be my last meeting, so thank you for being involved.
   BP: Would like to recognise SOH's contribution to hybrid radio over the years.
   WH: Introduction to Nacho, and welcome to the Steering Board
   NS: I've worked for NXP for 10 years, then 15 years in telecoms in Netherlands / Sweden / Germany. I work for car radio, as director of customer application support, and in my programme I have the software for demonstrators and stacks of middleware.

Meeting closed: 12:05