March 2018 Meeting

Date: March 5, 2018 (in Sonoma, CA plus via Phone)

Agenda:

• 09:00 – 09:30  Formation of Working Groups
• 09:30 – 10:15  Discussion on CHAOSS project mission
• 10:15 – 10:45  Future CHAOSSCon & other events
• 10:45 – 11:00  Break
• 11:00 – 11:45  Adding new Governing Board members
• 11:45 – 12:00  AoB (GSoc)

Governing Board Members:
- Andrea Gallo
- Don Marti
- Georg Link (proxy for Matt Germonprez)
- Ilidiko Vancsa
- Jesus Gonzalez-Barahona
- Jono Bacon
- Josianne Marsan
- Kate Stewart (proxy for Mike Dolan)
- Scott Peterson
- Sean Goggins
- Wayne Beaton

Linux Foundation Support:
- Ray Paik

Notes:

● Formation of working groups:
  ○ There was a discussion on using working groups to foster engagement between metrics & software committees. Forming a small group also allows the community to look at a topic more holistically (vs. having separate efforts). This has already started with Diversity & Inclusion and we could do the same with Risk, Value, and Growth-Maturity-Decline. Comments were also made that a lot of discussions so far in the community were focused only on metrics.
  ○ It would be helpful to have a hypothesis on which metrics are effective depending on project goals. Depending on the type of the project, communities should map project goals/metrics to impact, contributor rewards, etc.
Working groups would not require any CHAOSS governance change. There was a good discussion that it would be good to produce an output on what CHAOSS is producing in order to demonstrate the project value. In addition, working groups are the places where we can have a clear value proposition and outcome. The working group thus becomes a much easier place for an outsider to connect with CHAOSS and start contributing.

**CHA OSS project mission**
- There was a good discussion that the context of metrics is important and educating people maybe needed. We also do not want to give people the impression that there is one source of truth on community health (e.g. by relying on a few set of metrics). The whitepaper maybe one vehicle for education and Jono, Don, etc. maybe interested in providing feedback on this. An alternative to a whitepaper could be rolling all relevant information in the website and repositories.
- Jono also made a suggestion that it maybe a good idea to simplify our focus rather than trying to solve all problems. For example, we could focus on 5 metrics and how to use them (plus why these metrics are important) so that we can get this out quickly.
- A question was raised if one of the CHAOSS goals is to provide prototype/reference dashboards that people can use or customize. That is one of the goals, but the focus of the metrics should be on process improvement. In addition, the set of metrics for project also need to evolve over time.
- There was a consensus that the current messaging on the overview deck on “where to invest…” needs to be removed.
- We should provide an ability for people to provide feedback on CHAOSS-based dashboard that are deployed.

**Events**
- Hackfest at ICSE (Sweden): Sean & Jesus plan to be there. Suggestion was made to arrange remote participation for Daniel German and others who will not travel to ICSE. Jesus will make a proposal on the mailing list, and Kate added that she can share the list of people who’d be interested participating.
- ICSME: Jesus made a suggestion for a workshops at an academic conference. Jesus to share workshop proposal with the mailing list.
- OSS-NA: Sean will be able to get a space at the Univ. of BC for free (60-70 ppl capacity)
  - Organizing committee: Jesus to send out email for volunteers
  - Suggestion was to have a Call for Proposal and explore sponsorship for snacks, swags, etc.
  - There’s still time to submit proposals for a 15-minute keynote and Josianne, Ildiko, Ray etc. are interested in attending

**New Governing Board members**
- Evaluate GM member participation in the Fall (~1 year time frame) and see if there are drop offs and then look at new GB members
  - If there are good candidates, this could be discussed anytime (i.e. no need to wait until September)
- There was a discussion if there should be a documented path for GB members and/or succession planning
- Suggestions were made on getting participation from commercial vendors such as Samsung, Intel, Twitter, etc. who have contributed to the community.

- AoB
  - GSoC: Jesus noted that 5-10 candidates expressed interest and have completed micro-tasks with pull requests, suggestions, etc. and expect to be able to easily fill 2-3 slots. Still have opportunities for mentors (incl. On the metrics side), and internships will start in June.
  - Encourage feedback on the CHA OSS dashboard: [https://chaoss.biterg.io](https://chaoss.biterg.io)
  - Next Governing Board meeting will be in May
  - Future meeting topic:
    - Project roadmap/priorities: Using GHData & GrimoireLab as an example (with milestones, issues, etc.)
  - Need to make Governing Board meeting minutes public