

## **Minutes of the .nz Oversight Committee Meeting**

**Thursday 15 December 2005, 4.30pm**

### **Attendance**

**Present:** Frank March, Colin Jackson, Chris Streatfield, Andy Linton, David Russell, Richard Currey, Debbie Monahan, Alison McKenzie

Frank March began the meeting by advising NZOC that a new Deputy Chair needed to be formally appointed. Information on this matter had been circulated, and Richard Currey had agreed to take on the role. Frank March formally proposed the nomination, seconded by David Russell and Richard Currey was declared Deputy Chair by acclamation.

### **1. Minutes**

The minutes of the last NZOC meeting were passed as true and accurate.

Matters arising

- Reseller Brochure – The DNC confirmed that a draft of the brochure had been forwarded to the RAG group for comment, however no responses had been received. The DNC will follow up on this
- .parliament.nz – The DNC confirmed that this 2LD is ready to go live at the Moderator's convenience. NZRS has systems in place to effect this change.

### **2. DNC Reports**

The DNC spoke to her September and October reports.

Items discussed relating to the reports included an update on the kiwistat.co.nz action where InternetNZ is named as Second Defendant, reporting on DNS response times and the nature of what fits within the scheduled outages and maintenance windows for the SRS.

NZOC thanked the DNC for her reports.

### **3. Service Level Agreement review**

A revised version of the SLA was presented to NZOC for their consideration. This version included changes raised at the October meeting of NZOC.

Further amendments were suggested by NZOC, including adding measurements more for individual DNS servers rather than the DNS service as a whole. The DNC will incorporate the changes identified by NZOC and circulate a marked-up version for NZOC's consideration before submitting it back to NZRS for their comments.

The Committee acknowledged Andy's work with NZRS over this matter.

#### **4. Domain Name Management Services Limited**

This item was discussed in committee. The public record of this section of the meeting reads:

“The .nz Oversight Committee (“NZOC”) of the Internet Society of New Zealand Inc heard Dennis Smith, for Domain Name Management Service Limited (“DNMSL”), on 15 December 2005 and read DNMSL’s submissions by e-mail.

NZOC endorses the Domain Name Commissioner’s (“DNC”) recommendation that DNMSL be de-authorised as a .nz registrar.

NZOC rejects entirely DNMSL’s allegations of bias, predetermination or dishonesty against the DNC. These allegations are baseless.

DNMSL accepted that almost all of the DNC’s factual findings are correct. DNMSL’s few denials of fact were considered and rejected by NZOC.

NZOC found no grounds to challenge the DNC’s recommendation that DNMSL should be de-authorised.”

#### **5. 2006/2007 draft budget**

The DNC presented NZOC with the end of year forecast and the draft budget for 2006/07 and explained the rationale behind it. Costs associated with the implementation of the Dispute Resolution Service have been identified and represent a new service for registrants.

NZOC noted the end of year forecast and approved the draft budget for 2006/07. NZRS will be notified of the management fee payable for 2006/07.

#### **6. Domain Name Fee Setting Process**

A summary of the process used for setting the domain name fee last year was provided by the DNC. The subcommittee approach worked well and was easy to manage. A repeat of this process was suggested and approved.

The subcommittee will consist of the DNC, and two NZOC representatives (Richard Currey and Frank March) and the General Manager of NZRS and two NZRS representatives (to be confirmed).

The next NZOC meeting will be held in time to consider any work undertaken by the subcommittee and together with NZRS prepare a joint recommendation to the InternetNZ Council for their 4 March meeting.

## **7. Dispute Resolution Service**

A progress report on the implementation of the Dispute Resolution Service (DRS) was provided.

NZOC were asked to provide comment on draft documents prepared for the Experts and Mediators. These documents included role descriptions, Agreements, advertisements and an overview providing more information for people interested in the positions. These documents will now be published as part of advertising for both Experts and Mediators.

## **8. InternetNZ Strategy Day**

The Chair and DNC briefly spoke about the InternetNZ Strategy Day that they had attended. NZOC's strategies in respect of oversight of the .nz domain name space have not changed from those originally developed and these will remain in the InternetNZ strategy document.

At this stage it is expected that NZOC will hold their own strategic planning day some time in May.

## **9. DNC Travel application**

The DNC outlined her travel application to attend the International Trademark Association meeting next May in Toronto. It is not normally the sort of the meeting that the DNC would seek to attend but the Chief Executive of MelbourneIT had extended an invitation to the DNC to speak at a breakfast session they are arranging for major trademark owners. The offer was extended to provide an opportunity to outline to representatives from major companies the initiatives in place for .nz, specifically the implementation of a dispute resolution service for .nz domain names.

NZOC felt that the opportunity was a good one for the DNC to have been offered and approved the travel.

## **10. AOB**

This section included:

- The DNC reported on an Internet Banking forum meeting that Stuart Anderson, DNC Compliance Officer, had attended on the DNC's behalf to discuss with various groups the options for responding to a phishing attack.
- The Chair spoke about a draft paper discussing Internet Security that NZOC could comment on.
- All members of NZOC are invited to attend the ICANN meeting in March