Apereo Board Meeting - August 20th, 2013

- The Meeting was held by teleconference from 4:00pm 5:00pm EST
- Attending: Charlie Leonhardt, David Ackerman, Ian Dolphin, Jim Helwig, John Lewis, Josh Baron, Robert Sherratt, Theresa Rowe, Douglas Johnson, Tim Carroll
- Apologies for Absence: Alain Mayeur, David Kahle, Shoji Kajita, Steve Swinsburg, Nate Angell
- Meeting Called to Order: 4:06pm
- Meeting Adjourned: 5:07pm

Discussion Summary

- The Board reviewed and discussed details of minutes captured for last Board meeting. No modifications were recommended. Theresa moved to approve minutes. Robert seconded. No objections.
- The Board discussed availability and scheduling of a Board meeting during Educause.
- Ian briefed the Board on the Incubation Process and the Licensing Policy.
 - The outcomes are the result of Jaeques perseverance in leading a working group of community volunteers that are informed and passionate about incubation. Ian feels strongly that we should move quickly to review and approve the Licensing Policy, then move on to the broader Incubation Process. The sense of urgency revolves around the need to have new contributors sign the new Apereo agreement, rather than the previous Jasig and Sakai agreements. The agreements are also important precursor to onboarding potential new products or projects that are considering joining the Apereo Foundation.
 - John shared more details on the Licensing Policy with particular focus on consolidation of inbound licensing and how it compares with various other open source organizations. The working group recommended that Apereo adopt the Apache inbound licensing policy. All contributors on current Jasig and Sakai projects have signed an almost identical inbound agreement, and the Apache agreement gives us the flexibility to adopt multiple outbound licenses where they best support a specific product or project. The Board should seek clarification on specific questions concerning the transition from the current inbound licenses to the Apache inbound license. Josh motioned to approve the inbound license agreement as drafted, while John continues to research the need to have previous and existing contributors sign the new agreement. John seconded. No objections.
 - The Board discussed the need to modify the Incubation Policy to highlight the project/product termination policy outlined in the Foundation Bylaws. A near future draft will incorporate this point. Josh had some other comments and suggestions on sections that required some clarity that could be accomplished by moving some text. Josh share these suggested improvements offline, and others are encouraged to do the same ASAP. A final draft will be circulated for Board approval and Foundation adoption within the next week.
- Josh shared that the transition to the new accounting firm has been going well, and Tamy has committed beyond original expectations to make this process run smoothly.
- Josh noted that the Board needs to discuss the future Apereo membership policies.

Action Items

- Ian and Tim: posting and approving minutes
- John: research the need to have previous and existing contributors sign the new agreement