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Abstract

This document updates the way in which the ex officio member from the IAB who serves on the IAOC is appointed in order to better match the skills set out in [RFC 4333](#).

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1. Introduction

[RFC4071] describes the membership of the IAOC and assigns two roles to the Internet Architecture Board: appointing a member from the community and providing a member from the IAB. The ex officio member provided by the IAB is currently required to be the IAB Chair.

[RFC4333] sets out selection guidelines for members of the IAOC.

This document proposes an update to [RFC 4071](#) to allow a different IAB member to serve, in order to better meet the criteria set out in [RFC 4333](#).

2. Proposed change

This document proposes to allow the IAB to select from among its members the individual who best matches the criteria set out in IAOC member selection guidelines [RFC 4333](#). This might be a different person than the person best able to carry out the other duties of the IAB Chair. Should it happen that the IAB Chair is also the best person to serve on the IAOC, then the IAB Chair may serve; it is simply no longer required.

The individual named by the IAB will serve a renewable one year term, subject to the recall of the IAB by the same means the IAB chair is removed (an affirmative vote of two-thirds of the IAB). All IAB members are also subject to recall under the terms of [[RFC3777](#)].

Given the nature of the IAOC responsibilities, it is advantageous that the appointment of an IAB member to the IAOC be approximately as stable as the appointment of the IAB chair.

The resulting changes to [RFC 4071](#) are:

In [section 4](#), where the document on membership currently says "The IAB Chair (ex officio);", we propose "An IAB member designated for a one-year term."

3. Security Considerations

This document describes an administrative change rather than a protocol.

4. IANA Considerations

This document currently has no actions for IANA.

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