

# IETF Trust Report

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IETF Trust Chair





# The IETF Trust

- The IETF Trust was formed on 2005-Dec-15.
- It has a legal existence as a Trust in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- It exists to hold intellectual and other property of the IETF.
  - The purposes of the trust include the advancement of educational and public interest by acquiring, holding, maintaining and licensing certain existing and future intellectual property and other property used in connection with the Internet standards process and its administration, for the advancement of the science and technology associated with the Internet and related technology.
  - The Beneficiary of the Trust shall be the IETF as a whole
  - The Trust Assets shall be used solely in furtherance of the Purpose
- More detailed info is available at <https://trustee.ietf.org/>
- Also see RFC4371 and RFC5378

# Current Trustees of the IETF Trust



- There are currently 9 Trustees, all of whom are members of the IAOC.
- The Trustees have a fiduciary duty to protect the IETF's property!
- Current Trustees:
  - Lou Berger
  - Kathy Brown
  - Alissa Cooper
  - Leslie Daigle
  - Tobias Gondrom
  - Ted Hardie
  - John Levine
  - Ray Pelletier
  - Kaveh Ranjbar (Chair)
- Outgoing Trustee:
  - Ray Pelletier on 31<sup>st</sup> of October 2017
  - Last of the original Trustees of the IETF Trust

# IETF Trust Updates



- IANA Domain Transfer update
  - License Agreements Amendments at ICANN for execution
    - Amended to clarify instructions to domain registrar
- Trademark Update
  - IETF trademarks renewed in US.
- Trust Administrative and Accounting Support
  - Trust approved ISOC subcontracting to AMS
    - Admin support in place
    - Accounting support cutover expected by 1 September

# Trust Financial Statement– May 2017



IETF Trust							
Statement of Activity							
For the Month Ending May 31, 2017							
	May	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Variance	Annual Budget	Notes	
<b>Income</b>							
Contributions	\$ -	\$ 66,100	\$ 63,600	\$ 2,500	\$ 63,600		1
Miscellaneous		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 2,500		2
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 66,100</b>	<b>\$ 63,600</b>	<b>\$ 2,500</b>	<b>\$ 66,100</b>		
<b>Expenses</b>							
Professional Services & Fees	\$ 1,750	\$ 8,750	\$ 9,167	\$ 417	\$ 36,000		
<i>Legal Fees</i>	\$ 1,750	\$ 8,750	\$ 8,750	\$ -	\$ 35,000		3
<i>Monitoring</i>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 417	\$ 417	\$ 1,000		4
Insurance	\$ 632	\$ 3,160	\$ 4,333	\$ 1,173	\$ 13,000		5
Registrations		\$ 460	\$ 460	\$ -	\$ 3,100		6
Administrative Services Agreement	\$ 1,000	\$ 5,000	\$ 5,000	\$ -	\$ 12,000		7
Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 1,021	\$ 1,263	\$ 833	\$ (430)	\$ 2,000		8
<b>Total Trust Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 4,403</b>	<b>\$ 18,633</b>	<b>\$ 19,333</b>	<b>\$ 1,577</b>	<b>\$ 66,100</b>		
<b>Net Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>\$ (4,403)</b>	<b>\$ 47,467</b>	<b>\$ 44,267</b>	<b>\$ 4,077</b>	<b>\$ -</b>		
<b>Reserve</b>							
Contributions	\$ 5,622	\$ 5,622	\$ -	\$ 5,622	\$ 30,000		9
Deductions	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		10
<b>Reserve Balance</b>	<b>\$ 5,622</b>	<b>\$ 5,622</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 5,622</b>	<b>\$ 30,000</b>		

**Any Questions?**

# Backup Material

# Trust Legal Provisions (TLP)

- The TLP describes the rights and licenses that the IETF Trust grants to others with respect to IETF Contributions and IETF Documents; as well as certain restrictions, limitations and notices relating to IETF Documents.
- TLP version 5.0 is current:  
<http://trustee.ietf.org/license-info/IETF-TLP-5.htm>



# Subpoenas and Legal Requests



- The IAOC Legal Committee has concluded that we should not respond to Authentication Requests from anonymous requestors (i.e. via their counsel).
  - This enables us to report with transparency to the IETF community.
- In other respects, legal requests and responses have been proceeding as usual.
- For detailed updates & additional information see <http://iaoc.ietf.org/subpoenas.html>

# Lawsuit filed against IETF among others



- Glassey v. Microsemi Inc - ISOC, IETF, ICANN, et al (received 2014-Sep)
- Dismissed with Prejudice – 20 October 2016
- Much more information, including all detailed filings, is available at <http://iaoc.ietf.org/subpoenas.html>

# Records Retention Policy

- The IETF Trust reviews the Records Retention Policy annually and updates it as needed.
- This year the Trust plans to adopt an updated version of the policy, currently available for review at:
  - <http://trustee.ietf.org/documents/Trust-Records-Policy-2016-03-23-Clean.htm>



# IETF Trademark Usage

- The IETF Trust holds the trademarks associated with the name “IETF” and the IETF logo.
- Usage of these trademarks is often permitted when referring to the IETF factually, but licenses may be required for other cases.
  - See the FAQ at <http://trustee.ietf.org/ietf-logo-acronym.html>
- Derivative works are never permitted without a license from the IETF Trust.

**Trust Budget 2017 - 2019**

29-Sep-16	2017 Budget	2018 Advice	2019 Advice
<b>Operating Funds (Undesignated)</b>			
<b>Revenues</b>			
Contributions	\$ 63,600	\$ 64,510	\$ 63,563
Miscellaneous	2,500	1,500	1,500
<b>Total Revenues</b>	<b>\$ 66,100</b>	<b>\$ 66,010</b>	<b>\$ 65,063</b>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Professional Services & Fees	\$ 36,000	\$ 36,000	\$ 36,000
Legal Fees	35,000	35,000	35,000
IANA Transition	-	-	-
Monitoring	1,000	1,000	1,000
Insurance	13,000	13,650	14,333
Registrations	3,100	2,000	-
Other Filings	-	-	-
Administrative Services Agreement	12,000	12,360	12,731
Miscellaneous Expenses	2,000	2,000	2,000
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 66,100</b>	<b>\$ 66,010</b>	<b>\$ 65,063</b>
<b>Undesignated Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	-	-	-
<b>Trustee Designated Funds (Reserves)</b>			
Beginning Balance	\$ -	\$ 30,000	\$ 50,000
Contributions	30,000	20,000	10,000
Uses	-	-	-
<b>Ending Balance</b>	<b>\$ 30,000</b>	<b>\$ 50,000</b>	<b>\$ 60,000</b>
<b>Total Annual Funding Requirements</b>	<b>\$ 96,100</b>	<b>\$ 86,010</b>	<b>\$ 75,063</b>

**Notes**

Registration renewal 2018 is for IANA

Insurance 5% increase per year

Administrative Services Agreement 3% increase per year

Reserve contributions budgeted to build to a target of one year's expenses.

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