2015-09-01 - Fedora Leadership Group Meeting

Time/Place

- Time: 11:30am Eastern Daylight Time US (UTC-4)
- Call-in: DuraSpace conference line
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Attendees

- ~~Julie Allinson~~
- ~~Chris Awre~~
- Robert Cartolano
- Stefano Cossu
- ~~Tom Cramer~~
- ~~Steve DiDomenico~~
- Jon Dunn
- Declan Fleming ⭐
- ~~Janet Fletcher~~
- ~~Michael Friscia~~
- ~~Michael J. Giarlo~~
- ~~Michael Gonzales~~
- ~~Ladd Hanson~~
- ~~Wolfram Horstmann~~
- ~~Neil Jefferies~~
- Debra Kurtz
- ~~Susan Lafferty~~
- ~~Mark Leggott~~
- Jonathan Markow
- Steve Marks
- Tom Murphy
- ~~Matthias Razum~~
- ~~Glen Robson~~
- Robin Lindley Ruggaber
- ~~Dan Santamaria~~
- Tim Shearer
- ~~Thorny Staples~~
- Jim Tuttle
- David Wilcox
- Andrew Woods
- ~~Patrick Yott~~

Agenda

Topic	Lead
Face-to-face meeting at CNI in December? - Practitioner's forum on data mandates	David
Retiring https://m2.duraspace.org - Only impacts Fedora3 - DuraSpace is retiring a server that hosts Maven build dependencies - Two options: 1) make script available 2) find community host	Andrew
Securing commitments for Fedora maintenance tasks - Community feature-sprints are working well (web-ac, API-extension architecture) - Core priorities and bugs are not being addressed - Ideally, Leaders would be able to commit X-number of developer days per month	Andrew
Fedora Fundraising Update - Reaching out to Fedora membership prospects	David

Previous Actions

- Declan Fleming and David Wilcox will compile a list of vendors and information to support outreach
- Michael J. Giarlo will look into F4 performance issues and, if appropriate, engage Hydra and Fedora communities about corroborating /troubleshooting/resolving them
- Lets pilot a Hackathon for Fedora Developers in late 2015 or early 2016
- David Wilcox to begin capturing, curating content for an "ambassadors" list of F4 implementations. Start a list / table in Confluence with updated case studies
- All: send any additional comments on website content in to Leaders or the Elite Subcommittee

Minutes

Face-to-face meeting at CNI in December?

- David will send a message to the list to see if there are enough people to do it
- Tom has spoken to Cliff about a practitioners room
  - group agrees it's a good idea
  - David will follow up

Retiring https://m2.duraspace.org

- Technical but has community impact, esp with F3
- Compiling F3 requires external libraries
  - 15-20 of the dependencies are not found in the world
    - so m2 hosts them
    - m2 also host other unused services
    - only older F3 compiles use it?
    - Duraspace would like to shut down the server
    - Older versions can be installed, but need m2 to be built from source code
    - A script could be written to enclose the dependencies for a build
    - A volunteer from the community could step up and host the dependencies
      - Univ of Toronto is willing to host, but needs upper level approval
        - How frequently is this host utilized?
          - Andrew can check logs
          - It was shut down once and 2 people complianed
            - Islandora and UNC
  - As a project, when do we pull the plug on this?
  - Impact if Duraspace just runs it for another 12 months?
    - Would roll into Fedora budget - ~$1k/yr and Andrew's time
- Group suggests that that we keep m2 around for a year and tell the users who are dependent that it is going away
  - Add to the budget discussion for next year

Securing commitments for Fedora maintenance tasks

- Healthy development going on
  - Feature Sprints
    - Web Access control
    - Filling in architecture gaps
- All bugs are assessed against core priorities and assessed higher if they match
- We are not seeing very much development around the core priorities or their bugs
- Have tried schedules and maintenance sprints
  - Has not produced much in results
- Lack of action on bugs is discouraging to community
- Andrew would like to be able to ask if someone is available to fix a bug directly
- Andrew suggests a commitment per dev per month to handle bugs that come in
- Would it be a disincentive to ask leaders to add people time?
- Maybe we should hire developers?
- To be discussed at next Steering Call

Fedora Fundraising Update

- Link to slides
- Entering last phase
- Short of goal of 80
- 9 new members
- In 2014 we had 24 new members
- 70 members for the year
  - 2 have left
- See slides for revenue numbers
  - We are down $60k from ambitious goal
    - Would need to come from new memberships

- - - Close to breakeven
  - Growth has been challenging
    - None from Europe
  - See link to prospect list above
    - Yellow = currently working on, in process
    - Green = success
    - Red = fail
    - White = needs contact

Actions

- David Wilcox will talk to CNI about a practitioners room
- David Wilcox will mail the community about a CNI face to face meeting
- Andrew Woods will reach out to the community on M2 retirement plan
- Andrew Woods will determine the actual Amazon costs
- David Wilcox will add "Securing commitments for Fedora maintenance tasks" to the Steering Committee agenda