I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:05AM by Alicia Gibb
Board members in attendance: Catarina Mota, Nathan Seidle, Windell Oskay, Wendy Seltzer, Danese Cooper

II. Reading and approval of the previous minutes

III. Ratification of email votes

• There were no email votes to ratify.

IV. Financial Report

• There were no significant financial transactions to discuss at this time.

V. Old Business

• Honorary Observers
  • We invited Ayah Bdeir as an honorary member understanding there will be a code of conduct and she accepted.

VI. New Business

• Tom has stepped down from the board due to time constraints.
  • Discussion of how to replace him via either moving down list of votes or new public nominations.
  • We only need 3 board members to incorporate in NY so we will move forward with incorporation.
• Procedures on voting:
  • Voting will not happen on ad-hoc issues, issues must be on agenda for 24 hours before they get voted on.
  • Votes at meetings can use Apache's vote method which you ask if anyone disagrees or is against the vote.
  • Votes via email will be +1 if in agreement, or will require more discussion.
• By-laws:
  • Aaron and Alicia will write up a first draft of by-laws and discuss by email
• Vote on Purposes:
  1) Educate individuals and the general public about Open Source Hardware.
  2) Organize the Open Source Hardware movement around shared values and principles.
  3) Provide information and advisement on best practices and standards of Open Source Hardware.
  4) Encourage collaborative learning, knowledge exchange, and social cohesion through conferences and other events focused on Open Source Hardware.
  5) Promote the use and development of Open Source Hardware, including to encourage educational and economic development.”
  6) Collect, compile and publish data on the Open Source Hardware movement.
  7) To conduct any and all lawful activities which may be useful in accomplishing the foregoing purposes.
    • Windell proposes adding the word “To” at the beginning of the paragraph, unanimous agreement
    • Nathan moves to approve the 7 purposes with prior edit
    • Wendy seconds
    • Unanimous approval

• Vote on initial website language
  “The Open Source Hardware Association is coming soon! It will be a non-profit organization (status pending) working to spread the love of open source hardware. We’re working out details, and as soon as we know, you’ll know!”
    • Danese proposes adding “check back at oshwa.org”, unanimous agreement
    • Nathan moves to approve text
    • Danese seconds
    • Unanimous approval

VIII. Adjournment and Next meeting

Adjourned: 11:20AM. Next meeting will be April 5th, 2012 10AM Mountain Time