MINUTES: Board Meeting
March 23 2018

Michael convenes meeting @ 12pm EST
In attendance: Addie, Alicia, David, Luis, Michael, Nadya, Arielle

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1. Summit update
Looking for keynote speakers.

2. Overview of future planning from Alicia - Where are we going as an organization?

Is OSHWA an organization that runs a summit OR should we think bigger about how to get more sponsors, grow the organization. Be a bigger voice at the government levels and have a stronger role in advocacy. We have industry and hobbyists in our bubble, govt is the next step. Connection between standards and advocacy will also enable a greater level of funding. Partnerships.

We should think about advocacy from 2 perspectives, both government policy and also communities that we engage.

Residencies or co-fellowships to engage community?

Content that highlights the open source components of projects? Storytelling, content building.

Clarify what advocacy means (versus lobbying). Consider the relationship building capacity (assuming limited resources) - long term relationships with policy makers? Or building relationships with leaders in communities that could be using more OSH?

3. Review of current community and social media
50 OSHWA member growth, grow twitter by 2000 people. Summit twitter is where the action is - is there a reason not to combine these? Board suggests joining these two accounts. Also working on better mechanisms to manage members.

4. Update on certification site by Michael
Soft goal is to get the site ready to go by June – possibly launch right before the summit.

[ Summit Chair leaves the meeting ]

5. Discussion of staffing options for Summit
How do we staff the summit and how much do we put in the hands of the Chair vs have separate roles broken out (given what we can afford).

What about allocating summit compensation based on requests (some need this more than others)?

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Michael moves to end the board meeting, Nadya seconds.
Unanimous vote to adjourn.
Michael adjourns the meeting @1:07pm EST