
CLAUDIA RUIZ:

Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening to everyone. Welcome to the NARALO monthly teleconference call on Monday, the 13th of May, 2019, at 19:00 UTC.

On the Eduardo Diaz, Judith Hellerstein, Melissa Begay, Sunish Gupta, Alan Greenberg, Alfredo Calderon, Bill Thanis, Dana Perry, David Mackey, Gordon Chilcott, Greg Shatan, John Laprise, Jonathan Zuck, Marita Moll, Miguel Bauza, Susannah Gray, and Adrian Schmidt.

From staff, we have Heidi Ullrich, Silvia Vivanco, Evin Erdogdu, Joe Catapano, and myself, Claudia Ruiz, on call management.

Before we begin, I would like to remind everyone to please state their name before speaking for the transcription purposes. With this, I turn it over to you, Eduardo. Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you so much. Welcome, everyone, to today's meeting. This is going to be an extended meeting today because we have four candidates that are running the elections nominated for the ALAC position and the Secretariats of the region that will be talking about themselves. It will give us a chance also for you to ask any questions if you have any questions for any of them.

I don't have access to the chat for some reason, so if somebody says something and is it's directed to me or to the participants. Let me know. You can interrupt me anywhere, Claudia, if you're watching the chat. I will be glad to answer questions that is put in there.

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So everybody has seen the agenda that we have for today. Can we go ahead and use this agenda the way it is? Can we approve it so we can move forward? Are there any objections to the agenda for today?

If not, the agenda is approved. At the end, we'll have some time for any other business. I believe we can be able to do that. Like I said, thank you everyone, for being here today. Today's going to be, like I said, an extended meeting to provide a time for candidates to talk.

I don't see Kevin in the list here. He's an individual member that we haven't met yet on this call, so I invite him every time to come and introduce himself. Today we're going to talk about the additional budget request and some of the things that were approved by the Board Finance Committee. We will have reports from the people that participated in the three CROP trips to give an insight of what happened there and their experiences. Also, we're going to have a policy update by Jonathan Zuck to keep us up to date as to what has been discussed in the Consolidated Policy Working Group. Like I said, after that, we're going to get to meet the candidates.

I don't see Kevin on the call, so we can skip that item on the agenda. Let's move to the additional budget request and the discretionary funds under that. The discretionary funds for the fiscal year for our region is from the \$4,000 that we had for the year. The balance that we have on hand is \$96. So, if you any of you have an event that can use this money before the end of June period, please go to the link there. There is a process on how you solicit this money. If we don't use this money by June 30th, then it would be gone. But what is available right now is \$96.

With the additional budget request, the final resource came in. There was approval for the real-time transcription of up to ten hours of intercessional At-Large teleconferences. [inaudible] for the next fiscal year '20. So that's very good.

Also, even though we requested \$30,000 for funding for outreach and engagement for the different RALOs, we really didn't get that much. We wanted to up to that to 5K or 6K per RALO. That's \$30,000. So they approved what we got in fiscal year '19, which is going to be \$4,000 again. So those are the two things that got approved there.

Anything that has to do with the North American School of Internet Governance that's going to run in Montreal before the ATLAS III – none of that was approved. Also, there were a couple of policy slots for policy and outreach leaders to go to the ICANN public meeting. That was not approved. There was a policy writing course that was proposed for ATLAS III in ICANN 63 which was not approved either. You can go and see this report right here in this link.

I hear somebody—

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yeah, Heidi. I'm sorry. I'll raise a hand.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: I also raised my hand.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. Judith, go ahead.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Hi. The real-time transcription used to be called captioning. So we've had that before – captioning. We used to have it on the Adobe calls. We'll be having that again. It's back after a hiatus. We'll be having it on the ALAC calls, and then we'll be starting up another sheet where people can register to have the RTT on the call. Then we'll do it just like we did last time, through the sheet that Silvia that manages or Evin will manage that you put in your request into. Then we'll see what it is, with the same priorities that we had last time, which was accessibility first, language or bandwidth issues second, and others. So that's going to be the game. Sophie or Heidi will create a wiki page in June for that. We're going to start taking names in June so that we can start right away because last time we missed part of the month because we were not prepared. So we're going to start that up. I wanted to say that.

[inaudible] I think we had gotten funding from GS[E], but Heidi could talk about that.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yeah. Thank you, Judith. Just a couple of things. Maureen and Evin and I were actually just going through all of the working groups. Judith, we're reminded that you're Chair of the RTT Group. I'm wondering. As we start planning for the RTT and fiscal year '20, do you wish to have just one call? We could start coordinating at least some of the main calls that are going to have RTT all the time. For example, I'm assuming the ALAC, right?

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Well, Heidi, I think we want to go with the same [ideas] as last time in that people request a call. If we did it a month ahead, we didn't have a problem with that. That way, we can make sure that [it's] people who have accessibility issues, maybe the Consolidated Policy Working Group and some other ones. I think our first priority should be people will accessibility challenges, whether they are an accessibility challenge or whether it's a bandwidth or language challenge. That should be our priorities. I like to same ideas that the past team had had before because I think they really still pertain to what we have this year. But I'm happy to discuss with you offline. And then we can [inaudible].

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay. Yeah, maybe we can have an informal meeting in Marrakech or beforehand or so, just to talk about how we're going to set this up on that.

In terms of the – yeah, I know, on the Marrakech ... we'll probably do it before.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: We need to do it before.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yes.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: We also need to do it before. We don't want to miss July like last time, where we didn't have any calls because we forgot to do it.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yeah. Silvia, maybe can make an action item on that, please. Just to have a call with Judith. Claudia should probably be part of that as well, or Yesim. Probably Yesim on that.

On the [inaudible], Chris Mondini's team was able to fund that for a good amount, the same amount that was being requested. So that will not be accepted. We all knew that was going to happen because it already had been accepted prior to submission.

In terms of the course on writing policy, I'm going to start looking to see if we can get some funds within the ATLAS III budget, that we can start going ahead with that through ATLAS III. So stay tuned for that one because that is a really good proposal, in my view. And it fits into what you're doing in ATLAS. Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ: That would be magnificent. Thank you. Are there any other comments about this?

If not, we can move to the next item on the agenda, and that's an update on the ATLAS III and [inaudible]. By the way, Glenn sent his apologies. He's in the [NASIG] School of Internet Governance there. So it was going to be very difficult [to be on] today's call. I don't have a definitive update from NASIG other than that's on target. The program and schedules have defined, and the money for sponsorship is coming

in, just like Heidi mentioned from ICANN, the GSE group, and it's sponsoring NASIG as part of their sponsorship.

I just added the ATLAS III timeline here in front of you. This week, we have had these webinars that are compulsory for the people that cannot use ICANN Learn courses. They have to go through this set of webinars. These webinars are being taught twice a week. I believe everybody receives an invitation to this. This work is an onboarding for the Government Advisory Committee, which I think is coming up tomorrow. I'm not sure. I don't know the schedule. But it's happening this week.

The final one, based on the cybersecurity [basis] in ICANN Learn, is going to happen next week. That will complete the set of five webinars that are being given for people who have problems with the English language. And these are being interpreted at the same time.

After that, I believe the 31st of May will be the end or the deadline for people to apply for ATLAS III. The people that are going to do the actual selection of the people. Once people apply to the ATLAS III, there will be a group of five people that come – ones that have been assigned ... each one from each region that will determine if they comply with the criterias and other information that is required to fill out in these forms. You can see that Fatimata Sylla will be from AFRALO and Holly Raiche from APRALO. EURALO is Yjro Lansipuro. LACRALO is Humberto Carrasco, and form our region is John Laprise.

By the time that we get to Marrakech, will be June 24th, the list of people that will be going to ATLAS III will be announced. Correct me if

I'm wrong here. By July 5th, this list of people will sent to ICANN Travel for the actual arrangements of travel for people applying to ATLAS III.

I do have a question. I see Maureen is on our call. Do we know how many people have applied already for ATLAS III? Do we need a number? Or someone from staff?

HEIDI ULLRICH: Hi. This is Heidi. I think Silvia ... Let's see. I think it was around 30 to 40 or something?

SILVIA VIVANCO: Yes.

HEIDI ULLRICH: It was no higher than 40 to date.

SILVIA VIVANCO: [Mm-hmm.]

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. Those are very good numbers.

HEIDI ULLRICH: [inaudible]. John Laprise has his hand up.

EDUARDO DIAZ: John, please go ahead.

JOHN LAPRISE: I just wanted to mention that I went through the training on the selection process with the group that designed the rubric, and we're moving forward on that. That's on target, so that will be proceeding according to schedule. Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. Are there any other comments?

If not, that's the update that I have for ATLAS III. I encourage everyone to go through the ICANN Learn courses and apply so you can go to Montreal and participate with all of us in ATLAS III.

Let's go to the next item. Here we're talking about the CROP, the outreach group. In this session, what I want to do is a I want to allow Judith, Alfredo, and – I don't see ... I don't know if Michael is here – to give us a brief report of your experiences during these meetings and what type of outreach you did and if [inaudible] an event. So, Judith, do you want to go first?

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Sure. I attended the Non-Profit Technology Conference in Portland. The purpose of the trip was – this is the largest non-profit conference focusing on technology, and many of these people who go there don't really know much about ICANN – to get some engagement, get some more knowledge, about people. There's a lot of non-profits, but most of

the people focus on communications there. We gained a lot of knowledge about the people that I could pass on that ALSes who are non-profits or other non-profits can use. Free tools that [inaudible] outreach and engagement. I gave a session on Internet governance. They have [inaudible] sessions. My session was on against about 20 other people. 20 other sessions were on the same time, so to increase the awareness and try to get people to come to my session, we printed NARALO cards out. So we were handing out these cards.

There's no main table, so you can't display your ware unless you have a table in the exhibit hall, which I think next year is going to be in Baltimore. I was suggesting that GSE get a table there because this exhibit booth has huge amounts of traffic by everyone. People spend time standing at the booth. They have the food given out in the area. There's a lot of common sense in the food section. So it's very good if GSE can go and get a booth and talk about ICANN, not only NARALO but other areas.

On my session in general, we had many people who had no idea about Internet governance. Some of them knew about GDPR and gTLDs, but most of the room had no idea about what ICANN does. In my presentation, I also talked about universal acceptance because universal acceptance has a large impact on non-profits in the NARALO region who are using domain characters that are larger than three. So, if they don't use .org, if they use another one, it's going to be impacting on their non-profits because this may not work. And there's not enough awareness about that. So I talked a bit about that.

We had a lot of questions and discussions about GDPR, about the WHOIS process, universal access – pretty much everything. I did some follow-up, and we’re trying to get some other people engaged. We’ll just have to do more follow-up on this area. I think it would work out well.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Thank you, Judith. I do have a question. How many people participated in this or go to these events?

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Several thousand.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Each of these sessions have – mine had 20 different sessions alongside of it. I unluckily got the worst room in the entire complex, through a service corridor. That’s why it was essential that I had my card because the only way people were going to come to the room if they were [expressedly] looking for my session. But that’s just the luck of the draw. Other ones didn’t, so you don’t get as many walk-ins. But I think it’s a good [session]. Even Leibovitch was there, and he had some ideas for some future sessions we could do. It’s a great way to learn about different tools that non-profits can use to increase outreach; so for increasing outreach and engagement for us.

EDUARDO DIAZ: The last question that I have: is this an event that you recommend that we go back to in the next fiscal year?

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: I think, if we can get GSE to get a table and to be there and to rent space there, it would be really good because we have no place to put out literature. I was just handing out literature at the parties, at the social functions, and trying to talk it up as much as possible. But there's no place to put out any literature because they don't let us do that.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. So can we open an action item here somewhere to look into what Judith is saying, to talk to GSE and see what we can do for next year on this event, [if that's] something that's within their scope.

HEIDI ULLRICH: This is Heidi.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Heidi, yes.

HEIDI ULLRICH: As you and as GSE start developing your fiscal year '20 outreach and strategy plan, that's something that you might wish to add: those two documents.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay.

HEIDI ULLRICH: [inaudible]

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Also, Eduardo, one thing we need to is also get a speaking slot because the cost of participating is exorbitant if you are not a member organization. So, if you're a speaker, you can get free registration. But they also have sponsorships, so others can go if you apply way in advance so you can get to be a fellow. Then you can go free to all these events.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. We want to make sure we follow up on this. So, if we go back there and try to do our presentation there, it doesn't cost to go there. And we'll follow up with the GSE to see if we can have a place to put a table there. But we can take that offline. Thank you for your input.

Are there any questions for Judith? Comments?

If not, thank you, Judith, for your report. The next one is the event of net digital inclusion. I believe Alfredo is here. Alfredo, you have the floor, if you can provide us a report on this.

ALFREDO CALDERON: Yes. Thank you. Can you hear me clearly?

EDUARDO DIAZ: Yes, we can.

ALFREDO CALDERON: Thank you. As you all know, and as [inaudible] in the latest newsletter, you'll find a report that I wrote regarding the conference. In a nutshell, it was a three-day conference. We had a first day where we had a chance to go to some community facilities and learn about what is actually the inclusion. I decided to go to this event because net digital inclusion deals directly with the end user of the Internet, which is our case. So it was a great experience. I had a chance to speak with all these non-for-profit organizations that actually serve the community, especially those that do not direct access to the Internet.

It was interesting that hardly anybody knew what ICANN was all about, so I had a chance to talk to a lot of people about ICANN. As I mention in my report, I had an advantage, since I'm bilingual. There was a lot of Latinos there because this organization, the National Digital Inclusion Alliance – and, as the name states, it's an alliance between all these organizations that, for example, receive donations of laptops or computers. They refurbish them and then they sell them after having individuals from these communities that don't have the equipment or don't have access to the Internet take a course. After they complete the course, they give them the device, and they give them also a hotspot or some form of access to the Internet using broadband.

So I had that opportunity to visit some facilities. Speaking with a lot of people, I noticed that we actually need to reach out more to this group of people because actually that's the mission at large: to reach and educate the At-Large audience or the end user of what ICANN is all about.

Glenn also managed to participate in the event, so he was recruited as the official photographer for the event. There's a lot of pictures that you can see of what happened during the three-day event.

I had the opportunity to share a lot of literature. I got a few people to think thoroughly about becoming an individual member, and I'm following up with them. I have a list of all their e-mails, and I'm constantly writing some e-mails to them since we have some sort of ideas of projects we can do within these groups related with Internet access and accessibility as well. So, Judith, sooner or later, you'll get into the loop as well, dealing with these groups that I'm speaking with.

Should we revisit next year this event? Yes, I think we should. And we should actually think of a way to get us [back] as a ... The way they work is they have these lightning round sessions. They only give you five minutes to talk about something that's not actually related directly with their mission. We can probably get a spot there, but we have to do it way in advance, ahead of time, as Judith mentioned, because they are very limited. They only had one per day and they had seven people in each one of those three sessions. So it's really difficult to get a spot there.

The other thing is that NARALO could actually become an affiliate member of this organization. The fee depends on the amount of spending that the group has. In our case, we can become affiliates to the organization, which I actually am. So I'm receiving a lot of literature.

On the third day of the event, they had a presentation by a senator, I think it was. I can't remember this name. They were talking about a lot [of what they] were evaluating [in the past] in North America – well, in the United States – that's called the educational broadcasting system, which in our case, is similar to the public broadcasting system. The law was trying to avoid the FCC mandate that the frequencies that are available for educational broadcasting should be available so that anybody can purchase them and use them and license them. So that was a big issue, and it's recently been published on the web. You can read more about that.

So, yes, we should repeat this participation. It's not expensive. It's around \$300 – the registration – but there's an additional fee if you want to participate in the tours where you visit some companies or businesses. I had a chance to visit the Google facilities that they have in Charlotte, North Carolina, which was a very nice experience, and some other places.

That's about it. Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you, Alfredo. I see, Marita, you have your hand up, so go ahead.

MARITA MOLL:

Hi. I just wanted to ask Alfredo, what is the organization that is organizing the digital inclusion? Is this only for U.S. people? We're having, here in Ottawa, a Digital Access Day conference coming up. I don't think there's any connection at all with this particular one. So that's my question. Digital inclusion is here. I see it on the agenda, but what is the organization? What is it like? It is a really big organization? Hundreds of members? Or it's small? Just curious on that. Thank you.

ALFREDO CALDERON:

Marita, great question. It's a big organization in the sense that each affiliate member is the owner or is a member of a board of an organization which main purpose is to deal with digital inclusion. So they work directly with communities that don't have access to the Internet. They work with groups or organizations that have people that have some form of disability, and they need all the resources available to them. These organizations are non-for-profit, and they deal as middlemen or middle organizations between the Internet end users and large corporations to get them talking together and see how they can fund initiatives in the community.

It was impressive for me, being my first experience in something like this, where I saw all these groups that had the same mission: serve the Internet end user, especially those that don't have access to the Internet.

I went to a session where I actually talked a lot with this lady that came from Bulgaria because she wanted to learn what the United States is doing to deal with digital inclusion. It's a United States organization. I

didn't see or hear from anybody from outside the United States, but you can go to the NDIA, which is the National Digital Inclusion Alliance, and you can see if any organization within Canada can be part of this group.

MARITA MOLL:

Thank you, Alfredo. That's really very interesting. We used to have organizations like that here in Canada, but they've all evaporated. I would be very interested in going to such a conference sometime. I guess it's very invigorating, I'm sure, and thrilling to see people working together and doing that kind of stuff. So thank you for that.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you, Marita. Thank you, Alfredo. Are there any other comments or questions for Alfredo?

I do have a question, Alfredo? Did you do any outreach during that event? If you did, can you share your experiences there?

ALFREDO CALDERON:

Yes. In terms of the outreach that I did, I managed to talk with a group of fellows that were given a fellowship and are doing their internship within the organization, the digital inclusion organization, where they are from different countries, as a matter of fact. There was a girl from Brazil. There was a person from I think Columbia, and there was another one from Mexico. So they have some form of fellowship where they bring people from other countries to learn about the digital inclusion and the states and how they can take back the message to their countries.

Now, in terms of engaging, I managed to speak with this lady from New York who lives now in New Orleans, and she's very interested. I'm having update conversation back and forth through e-mail and some Skype sessions with her. She's trying to get her organization to get involved in and became a member of NARALO. So we'll see what happens in terms of what.

And, yeah, there was a huge interest between the individuals that participated because they didn't know, they didn't understand, that there was something that had to deal with establishing policy for the end user of the Internet. That was an interesting experience, having them learn that they have a voice and they can participate in policy development within our group and within ICANN.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Thank you, Alfredo. Thank you, Judith—

SUNISH GUPTA: Can you hear me?

EDUARDO DIAZ: Who is this?

SUNISH GUPTA: This is Sunish.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Sunish, go ahead.

SUNISH GUPTA: [inaudible] accessibility discussions or any other initiatives for accessibility [inaudible]?

EDUARDO DIAZ: Your sound is not clear. It's dropping out.

SUNISH GUPTA: Okay. Was there any discussion on accessibility?

EDUARDO DIAZ: In today's call?

SUNISH GUPTA: No. In Alfredo's event which he participated in.

EDUARDO DIAZ: [inaudible]. That's a question for Alfredo.

SUNISH GUPTA: Yes. Were there any discussion on accessibility?

ALFREDO CALDERON: Yes, Sunish. There actually were a couple of sessions where they discussed some tools that are available to deal with accessibility. There was a session where actually one of the speakers – they usually had panels, so in one of these sessions there was a panel where there two of the three people that were talking had some form of disability. They were expressing all the tools that they have available for their groups in their communities.

So, yes, there are topics that deal with accessibility and with disabilities in all the forms you can think of.

SUNISH GUPTA: I see. Okay. I will [talk] to you offline to discuss more. Thank you.

ALFREDO CALDERON: Sure.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. Thank you for your question, Sunish. Also, we here in Puerto Rico [have] a readout in Spanish. It's one of the readouts that we're doing here for the region. You can see the links there if you want to see more about it. There's another readout that's going to happen in the region. It's a pre-ICANN Marrakech, which Marita is coordinating with Glenn. When is that, Marita? Specifically which date?

MARITA MOLL:

It is on the May the 30th. Yes, Glenn and I have been working for the last month. We are going to be sending our invitations for the Eventbrite registration any day now.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Okay. Thank you so much. By the way, for the rest of the region, this is an example of an event that is being supported by this discretionary money that we have, this \$4,000 that we have. It's for events like this. So, please, other people doing events similar to this or any events, you can post it and, if it's something related to ICANN and it falls within the criteria there, it could get approved if there is money there.

Glenn and I started working on the strategic plan for FY20. We're rounding it up. That will be used for CROP. I want to add that every region is actually identifying where they can do general assemblies for the region, similar to the one that we did in New Orleans, for those that participated. Glenn and I are looking at doing the next one in ICANN Seattle, which – I don't know. I think it's at the end of the year. I'm not sure of the exact date. That's our plan, at least for the next one. So more on that will come to the region later.

Also, Glenn and I started doing insight videos on specific issues and policy information that is hot in the Consolidated Policy Work Group. We're working on one that we did already on DNS-over-HTTP. We're going to have a couple of them. There are insights of experts that we have in our region. The idea behind this is to provide this information to the policy group so they can watch it and see opinions on how these things work and opinions of experts from different perspectives. So the

idea is to enrich the discussion and the debate that we have in the Consolidated Policy Working Group. I think that's something that the region is developing to help the process of ALAC developing comments for policy. So there are a couple of them that are there, the links, and Glenn, I think, is online. He's in the [inaudible] School of Internet Governance. I think he cannot talk. He's had something [burning] his mouth with the molar, but he's there doing outreach like always.

Marita, yes? You have your hand up.

MARITA MOLL: Accidentally. Sorry.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. Well, we are finished with this part of the agenda. Next, we have a policy update by Jonathan. Jonathan, do you want to share the screen or what? I can give you access to that?

JONATHAN ZUCK: I guess I could do that. I [inaudible] to the staff.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. So if staff wants to do that.

JONATHAN ZUCK: But I can share the slides, too. Whatever is easiest.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Claudia, could you share so we could see Jonathan? Is that okay?

CLAUDIA RUIZ: Yeah.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yeah. Can you stop sharing [inaudible]?

UNIDENTIFIED MALE: I did.

EDUARDO DIAZ: I stopped sharing.

HEIDI ULLRICH: While we're waiting, Eduardo, I just wanted to make sure when Seattle is being held. It's the AGM in 2021.

EDUARDO DIAZ: In 2021. Okay.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Yeah. Also, just to let you know, we have created the schedule for fiscal year '21 to '24. Should we go ahead and put in that that is when you would like to hold your – again, keep in mind that the AGM is a lot of this meeting, so I doubt that you'll be able to be there the entire time.

So it might be that you're there Monday through Thursday or something.

EDUARDO DIAZ: [We can do that, yeah].

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Yeah, I understand that, yes, that's when we want to be there.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay. So I'll go ahead and put that you'd like to do the AGM '21 Monday through Thursday. Okay?

EDUARDO DIAZ: Yes.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay. Thank you very much.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Thank you.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay, I want to confirm. Do you guys [inaudible]?

EDUARDO DIAZ: It looks like.

JONATHAN ZUCK: It looks like it.

HEIDI ULLRICH: Okay. There you go. [inaudible] if I could expand this. Yeah.

JONATHAN ZUCK: And I don't have control, right? So I'll just say, "Next slide"? Is that the best way to [proceed]?

EDUARDO DIAZ: That's the way it works.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: And you can get them bigger if you go into slide format, if you go into the slideshow.

JONATHAN ZUCK: There you go. Well, we might not need them bigger.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

That's okay.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN:

Yeah, if you had done the slideshow and not just the thing, then they go whole-screen.

JONATHAN ZUCK:

Right. The full screen there might end up underneath people's open windows, too, Judith, so we are going to have to get used to using this tool for these types of meetings.

So my name is Jonathan Zuck. I, along with Olivier Crepin-Leblond, am the Co-Chair of the CPWG that you hear Eduardo mention quite a bit on these calls (the Consolidated Policy Working Group). I was asked to talk a little bit about what's going on from a policy development standpoint inside of At-Large as a whole. Let's just continue through on it.

So things that are going on. Now there's some policy comments updates that we'll go over, and then there's going to be some policy workshops and talking points that we did in ICANN 64. There's a new executive summaries page on the comment page. I guess I should try to look at my camera so it looks like I'm talking to you instead of my keyboard. And there's been regular EPDP updates as well as CPWG.

One of the most discussed things right now is the GDPR response to it. Looking ahead, we're going to have some policy workshops again in ICANN 65. The At-Large Review Implementation Working Group is issuing a report on where it is milestone-wise and on the review implementation. Then Joanna is leading up an effort to create a policy

hot topics document that should be useful for RALOs that are trying to do their own policy hot topic documents in the near term.

Next slide. All right. Next slide. You can see here this [thing's] always the same. You can see what public comment opportunities there are to see if there's one you're interested in. Participating on the drafting committee for ... our general policy now at CPWG is to assign someone to read up on the comment and then come back with a recommendation as to whether or not the ALAC should respond and what they think that response should be in outline form. That way, there can be just a discussion about the outline and not the text. It's only when the group reaches consensus on what the response should be that the drafters then go back and try to draft the document. So that helps the discussion and makes it less text-driven, which is hopeful to folks for whom English is not their first language, and also reading slides [inaudible] ideal either.

Next slide. We submitted a comment to the proposed renewal of .asia registry agreement that Maureen drafted, and then we did a statement on registry agreement renewals generally. This was a pretty contentious topic inside of the CPWG and the At-Large generally, in some measure because there was lots of differences of opinion. There was a diversity of viewpoints. But also there was a campaign by the Internet Commerce Association, which is the trade association of the domainers to infiltrate different parts of the ICANN community and push this in a particular direction. So that made a lot of these things very interesting as well.

We ended up filing a comment that essentially said we were undecided and wanted there to be some further discussion on a number of issues

but that we weren't against seeing the contracts become more standardized and even potentially lifting the price caps once we understood what the implications of that would be. Again, you can get to that by following these links, and you can circulate the slides at the end of the call.

There's now executive summaries of all the comments that you can find at this link here as well.

Next slide. This is just about where things stand. There's an open comment now on ICANN's evolving multi-stakeholder model. We've got a lot of people from this group participating on it, so we're going to have a lot of influence. Marita is there, Greg is there, and Judith. They're all contributing [to] this document. So there should be good NARALO perspective in this document. If you recall, this is one of the things that the Board sent out [inaudible] one of its strategic objectives. That has materialized in the form of Brian Cote, who used to be the head PIR [inaudible] .org heading up a community-wide discussion on the multi-stakeholder model. [We'll] be trying to participate in those discussion further in Marrakech.

Then there's another open comment on a process proposal for streamlining organizational reviews. One of the things that's going on at ICANN is there's too many reviews happening at once, too many recommendations coming to the Board at once. They contradict each other. They had different priorities, etc. So I think, for the first time in Marrakech, we're going to have a conversation about how to prioritize recommendations for different groups and how the Board can more

easily handle this huge clog, if you will, of reviews and the implementation of recommendations.

So, again, as Eduardo has mentioned on every call, join the CPWG calls to get involved to follow along [inaudible].

Next slide. This is a little bit about the CPWG. It's now the central funnel, if you will, related to policy. So it's where the first conversations happen, and then recommendations are made from there to the ALAC for their support and vote.

Next slide. One of the things that we did that was new is, at ICANN 64, we distributed talking points to all the people that were participating in the meeting. These talking points were derived from conversations that we've had on all these conferences calls, etc., and statements that we've made. It helps empower people that got engaged in hallway conversations or are participating in work group discussions, etc., or general session to be able to speak with a single voice of At-Large.

John Laprise led an effort to get people to present from these talking points at the open forum with the Board. So that was just a highlight of that, but they're were pretty well-received, so we're going to continue along that track as well.

Also, as I mentioned, the executive summary page is new, so please check that out as well.

Next slide. We also, at ICANN 64, held these policy workshops. One was just on balancing privacy and security. One was on universal acceptance, and then one was on how to get more of the types of applications that

we want in subsequent rounds. There's been a consensus in the At-Large that we ought to be trying to support more community applications and applications from underserved areas around the world, but there's not any community consensus at this point about how to make that happen. So we had a brainstorming discussion, some ideas, and then [took] them back to the Subsequent Procedures Working Group. The person in the charge of the new applicant support document, Christa Taylor, was part of that meeting and was able to take some of that feedback [back].

Then you can see here at the bottom a summary of the discussions that we had as well as going back and looking at the transcripts.

Next slide. I think this is pretty much stuff that you know and that I've said already. So let's go onto the next slide because I know everybody wants to get to that candidates here.

Looking ahead, we're going to do some policy workshops and do the talking points again. This time, because it's a policy workshop, we're going to work hard to try and get more people engaged across the meeting. So more of the general sessions, work group meetings, etc., getting out of our At-Large room and direct participation. So hopefully the talking points will play a role and make it easier for folks to participate in those meetings around the building.

The At-Large Review Implementation Working Group has issued a report about where we are on our reform efforts. As I mentioned, Joanna with her hot topics document that you'll be hearing more about. The RALOs are always trying to create their own hot topics document,

and now what we're going to try to do is create a consolidated menu, if you will, of topics so that different RALOs can choose the ones that [inaudible].

Next slide. I sort of already said this. Next slide. This is about the hot topics. We'll do a draft within the CPWG, so if you want early access to that, come to CPWG calls, but then it'll end up getting circulated to the community and then up to the ALAC. So the RALOs are supposed to finish their own hot policy topics, but hopefully they can reflect the topics that we've identified for the At-Large as a whole.

Next slide. Next slide. Here's some other links, a summary of some of the things we were talking about. So do check out what's going on in policy in more detail.

So I just wanted to give you a little update. I'm happy to take any questions.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

[Great]. Are there any questions for Jonathan?

No questions? Okay. Let me share my agenda again so we can see where we are. Now we're going to the final item in the agenda, which is meeting the candidates. I'm pretty sure everyone is here to hear. The nomination for our elections, the nominations for the positions, are still open. They're [inaudible]. What's open are the Secretariat, the ALAC, and the NomCom. For the NomCom, the only nominee there is Glenn McKnight, so it's an uncontested nomination. But in the ALAC and the Secretariat, there are two people in each one running for the same

position, so what we're doing now is, and the [formal one] to use, is I'm going to let Jonathan and Judith, Leah, and John Laprise to talk about them first and have opening statements. We're going to take questions from all of you, and after that, we have closing statements to wrap up whatever you want to wrap up.

I understand, Claudia, that you're going to make a call to Leah since she was [inaudible] right?

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Eduardo, we can't see your screen.

EDUARDO DIAZ: You cannot? You cannot see it?

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: No. We can see a white line.

EDUARDO DIAZ: I'm sorry. It is because I'm doing this. Again, I have two – I'm sorry. Do you have two ... Can you see that?

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Yeah, now we can.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. So this is Item [60] on the agenda. That was what I was talking about. So I was asking staff if they were able to get Leah on [inaudible].

CLAUDIA RUIZ: Eduardo, they're dialing out to her now. Do you want to start with somebody while ...

EDUARDO DIAZ: Yes. Let's start with the order that I have here. Where is my agenda? Where did it go?

CLAUDIA RUIZ: Now you are—

EDUARDO DIAZ: [inaudible]. Can you see it?

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Yeah.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. The first person that is going to be taking the floor is John Laprise. You have comments.

JOHN LAPRISE:

Thank you, Eduardo. Eduardo kindly provided some place to start, so I'd like to go over some of the things I've been doing since I became your ALAC member. The first thing I do is I'm listening to the list, to the Secretariat, and I'm voting accordingly because I'm trying to reflect my understanding of what our community wants in process.

Beyond that, on ALAC, I've been active in a number of issues. I was a lead with Hadia on the KSK rollover. I'm an informal liaison with NPOC and NCUC. One of the first things that I was fortunate to participate in was leadership training. In part with that, I've become Vice-Chair for Policy, so I work closely with Jonathan and Olivier. I'm also on the ALT, so I'm involved in ICANN planning, and I have regular actions with the Board and ICANN org.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

John, hold on a second. Let's see if we can mute everyone on the call.

Thank you. Go ahead. Go ahead, John.

JOHN LAPRISE:

Thank you. So I'm involved in a lot of planning and a lot of behind-the-scenes things. I've been attending meetings for a while, but when I became an ALAC member, I spent a whole lot more time on the diplomacy between At-Large and other constituencies and the broader community.

One of the things Jonathan referenced is that he came up with the great idea of the talking points, and then I took that and ran with it to try to

get it out to the whole community by finding voices within At-Large to speak up at general meetings.

One of the things actually in the meetings I'm trying to do is make them more transparent and more functional. So, on the transparency side, you'll notice that we now have actual description titles of the different sessions as opposed to just working session #4.

I also, for those of you who were at the last meeting and are listening in, was trying to be a lot more vigilant on time so we can actually accomplish what we are trying to accomplish when we're in session.

One of the most recent things I've been doing is getting some sessions together with Compliance and, to that end, inviting Jaime Hedlund in to talk about compliance, which is often an issue that we're struggling with.

Finally, I think I'd like to point out that, on the GSE surveys, in part I'm working with them to get a sense of the different kinds of needs that At-Large members have in ICANN versus other communities and the non-technical requirements of writing policy and working community.

As mentioned earlier, I'm involved in the ATLAS III selection committee. Finally, the most recent thing, and thing I really want to carry forward along with some of these other things I've been discussing, is a push towards universal access. I'm also the Social Media Working Group Chair, working with Jonathan and other folks, really making a push across the community to get out the word on universal access.

So I've been doing a lot. I think [I've had your] trust up until now, and I hope you'll choose me again. I have a lot of work left undone that I would like some more time to do. Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Thank you, John. I always [inaudible] and John Laprise. Thank you, John. Jonathan Zuck, please. You have the floor now.

JONATHAN ZUCK: Thanks, Eduardo, and thanks, John. Thanks for giving me the time to participate. And, Alfredo, thank you very much for nominating me to a position on the At-Large Advisory Committee. It's difficult for me because I'm one of John Laprise's biggest fan. I think, regardless of the outcome here, you're going to be well-served and we continue to fund John's participation in the ICANN [inaudible] as well.

I think sometimes we talk about a leader that's appropriate for the time. I think there are a couple of important things going on within the At-Large that are peculiar to these times, for which I might be uniquely qualified or well-qualified to help.

The first is that the At-Large review implementation is now going on, so there's a big reform effort happening within the At-Large. That's something that I have a lot of interest in. I was part of the leadership in the CCWG on Accountability that took place over a couple years. It built the new framework of accountability for ICANN prior to the transition. So I had the opportunity to work with a lot of people around the community to find compromised positions and find the right answers to

difficult questions when it comes to helping to define the role of At-Large and how it participates within the community. So I think that's a positive for me – that experience.

The other thing is, under Maureen, we're really trying to do more hardcore policy development work and have more people participating in doing it. I've been doing policy work inside of ICANN for about 19 years, so I have a lot of experience with how policy is developed and implemented within the ICANN community. That's why Alan actually appointed me to the Consolidated Policy Working Group: to try and head up that effort. So it's really a group effort, and a lot of folks have become more involved in policy development, which is really exciting. Ralph Nader once said that the role of a leader is to create more leaders, not more followers. I think that's really starting to happen, and it's folks right here on this call that do that, [and Marita], that are participating more in that policy development process. That's really exciting. It's just a question of taking that up a notch and making it part of what the ALAC is doing.

So I think those are two big areas – the new emphasis on policy and the reform efforts that are going on – that make me a candidate who's particularly strong in this moment in history. That's the only reason I would consider running against John who, as I said, is doing a great job on your behalf thus far.

That's it. I'm happy to open it up for discussion.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Any discussions we're going to hold after we finish with the Secretariat, but thank you, Jonathan. Judith, please, you have the floor now.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Thank you so much. Great, you have my statement of interest up there. There's also a statement of interest in the NARALO election page as well. Thank you to Greg for nominating me for Secretariat. My decision to run for the Secretariat again is to continue the work that I started in my previous term, where I had grown attendance at NARALO meetings from 10 to maybe 30 people. We did this by engaging all the ALS representatives. We called them. We e-mailed them. They wanted to find out what their interest was and how can we meet their interest. So we're seeking to continue to engage people and promote ICANN and NARALO in all areas in trying to get outreach to all communities, as you saw from the RTT project, which is one of the few [ones] that were approved. I'm been [champing] in this for a long time.

We're also one of the few RALOs working that have redesigned our outreach material and created a simple, catchy mail card, instead of a detailed brochure, all in an effort to try to get people's attention and catch them and to promote NARALO.

Another way I worked to engage members is that I learned from my mentor, Glenn McKnight, that the best way to engage someone and to keep them being active is to give them little jobs in the projects. So, in the general assembly, which I chaired, the program area, I actually convinced Leah to take some engagement. We started to write the notes for the general assembly because I found, if you can get people

involved within At-Large, that's how I got involved myself. So, if elected, I would like to continue that.

I also want to work on helping create more policy opportunities because this is one of the regions I work with Glenn and Eduardo to try to create the policy workshop, which unfortunately didn't get funded. But, as Heidi mentioned, we hope to get funding to do an ATLAS III. I think many people are afraid to do policy, but as Marita and I have shown, you can get involved at any level. I was passionate about auction proceeds, so I decided to sign up to be the author for that one for At-Large. And it's not that difficult as it sounds. I had little experience, but I worked hard to build consensus among ALAC members on certain issues. Then, that way, we could speak with one voice.

Since then, I've been the penholder for some other ALAC policy statements, some with Marita, some with others, and also worked to submit individual comments. So, as you can see, I'm very passionate about working and engaging our end users, specifically those from unrepresented areas. If elected, I plan to reach out to more of them and see we can get and increase the involvement and engagement with ICANN, not just on the NARALO calls, but as also working on the different committees. As Alfredo showed, you can get involved in capacity. He's chairing an excellent committee there. I am a member of Auction Proceeds. I'm also chairing the Technology Working Group, which is not only on technical issues. It's on all technology that ICANN looks at. So working groups is a really great way to get involved in a small process and then increase your involvement.

I also believe strongly in an open and transparent process, one that respects the opinions of all our members. I would love to get them involved in all levels of the process. When I was their secretary, I got members involved and looking at and commenting on new member applications, reviewing ALSes, and helping out with the due diligence, getting everyone to know each other because I find [it] helps others get to know the new members and then make them feel part of the decision-making process. So I will [see] consensus opinion and get more of our ALSes involved in different working groups.

In closing, I believe I provide leadership, organizational skills, attention to detail, and experience that is an essential combination in a Secretariat. I worked closely with Eduardo in ATLAS II and the North American School of Internet Governance last year and this year, and I worked with him on many different projects he's had. So I have a very good working relationship with him. I hope you'll support my candidacy and look forward to any of your support.

I think, Eduardo, you also asked a question about, if you're not selected, are you planning to continue actively participating? For me, I think my record speaks for itself. I haven't held a NARALO office since 2017, but despite this, my participation has increased. I went from not being involved at all in policy work to being penholder for several ALAC policy device. So, as John said, I'm active in the Consolidated Policy Working Group. I'm one of the chosen members on Auction Proceeds. I'm active in Internet governance. So I think my record stands for itself. I also plan on being at Marrakech, even though I don't have funding. So I would like your support and would love to hear any of your ideas on how we could make NARALO work better for others.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. Thank you, Judith, for your statement. The next one is Leah, but I'm not sure if we were able to get her to talk—

LEAH SYMEKHER: I am on the call. Can you hear me?

CLAUDIA RUIZ: Hello, this Claudia. Yes, Leah is on the phone. One moment.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. Thank you.

LEAH SYMEKHER: Hello. Can you hear me?

EDUARDO DIAZ: If she's speaking, we cannot hear her.

CLAUDIA RUIZ: Yes, Leah, [we can] hear you.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Yes, I cannot hear her.

LEAH SYMEKHER: Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE: We hear her on the bridge. You said you cannot hear her through Zoom.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: No, we cannot hear her at all.

LEAM SYMEKHER: Can you hear me at all now?

EDUARDO DIAZ: Yes, we can hear you now.

LEAH SYMEKHER: Great. Apologies for that. Thank you very much for making this time for this meet-and-greet for the candidates. Again, my name is Leah Symekher. I'm very excited to have been nominated by Susannah to be a candidate for NARALO Secretariat.

As background, I've been involved with NARALO through the SF Bay ISOC chapter since 2019, when I first learned what ISOC was. It was through working as a business development professional in the high-tech arena that I got to know of ICANN first, before even ISOC, because many of my customers, who are ccTLDs, registries, registrars, large corporations, telecom, ISPs, and cable operators, were attending ICANN

[inaudible] was there. That's how I got really interested in the organization itself.

Working full-time in the business development profession, I began volunteering for the chapter and I've continued to grow throughout the years to the current moment. One of the challenges that was bestowed upon me is when the chapter was actually going to challenge [inaudible]. This was in 2013. Either we let the chapter close or take it head on and handle the challenges and get it back to its feet. So I was able to do that with a great team of Board members, as well as working collaboratively with the other chapters in the region and ISOC headquarters to revitalize the chapter and get it to where it was able to be a valuable, engaging organization for its members, as well as a creative partnerships in the region. That's even why I'm here at this conference: one of the partnerships we created was with the Silicon Valley Agriculture Technology Organization that [picked] up this Internet Of Things conference. This was again through the project that I managed last year through funding of the [Internet] program to research broadcast access for farms.

So these kinds of commitments and hard work show I am a person who is dedicated. When I focus on something, I like to give it 100% and try to get results. My commitment is going [meet] again through NARALO with the appointment for ALAC North America on the Nominating Committee. This is my second year. We are right now currently in the very heavy busy time of the NomCom, interviewing candidates. I became the Chair of the Outreach Sub-Committee to September. Through that, one of the main goals again is to do outreach internally and externally of ICANN to bring in qualified candidates, especially from

the underserved regions, as you all know that is a big challenge that we're facing this year on the Board. We've been successfully getting a lot of good candidates from the underserved regions, and I think that's work to be [said] of the Outreach Sub-Committee that I lead with the Co-Chair, Pablo Rodriguez.

So what have I learned about myself and what do I bring to the NARALO Secretariat position? I am a motivator. I have great interpersonal skills. I listen. I communicate well. I provide leadership. I'm collaborative. I'm results-oriented and have problem-solving skills. And I'm a consensus builder. Throughout all my work, my professional life, as well as also volunteer work I've been doing since 2019, continually [I'm going] to prove this. I look forward to the opportunity to work very closely with the Chair, Eduardo, and the rest of the team to be able to increase our our policy participation, engagement, outreach and capacity-building. Being under NomCom, one of the things that I [forget] to see that is the ALAC just needs much more of a voice. We need to continue to do that.

So I thank you again for this opportunity and look forward to giving it my best, as I have been all through my career and involvement with NARALO, the chapter, and in my professional life. Thank you for your time.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you so much, Leah. The next part of this presentation is questions to the candidates. So the floor is open the region to ask questions. It can be questions to any of the candidates. We have a few minutes to do this. I'm going to wait ten seconds to see if I see anything here, which I

don't see. So I guess there are no questions. Everything is clear. You know everyone. You know what they're going to do if they get elected in the position.

So, not seeing any hands, the—

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Eduardo, I would like to pose that question that you had posed – “What will you do” – to all the candidates – “if not elected to the position in At-Large? How will you continue to be engaged within ALAC and At-Large?”

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: That was your question. I think that's what you were saying.

EDUARDO DIAZ: That's one of my questions to all of you. I guess the candidates, if they want, can answer that question, since you brought it up. You already answered that.

LEAH SYMEKHER: Can I respond?

EDUARDO DIAZ: Yes. Go ahead.

LEAH SYMEKHER: If I'm not elected to this position, [inaudible] my NomCom representation. It ends in September. My goal is to get more involved on the policy side of things. I've been very involved in engagement, outreach, and rebuilding the chapter and then moving it into NomCom. So I think what I will do is just continue in my involvement, especially on the policy development side and, of course, work through the chapter side to engage more end users in this process. Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Thank you, Leah. Jonathan, do you want to answer that question?

JONATHAN ZUCK: Thanks, Eduardo, and thank, Judith, for the question. And thanks for answering it yourself. I think I'll keep doing exactly what I'm doing now in either case, elected or not. I think the benefit of being part of the ALAC will be to take some of the processes that we took in place and integrate ALAC into those processes a little bit more from the inside. I see my job as continuing to get more people engaged in policy development despite language difficulties, etc., and get more consensus-driven communication out of the At-Large so that the At-Large is a more powerful voice within ICANN. I consider that my mission in either case, so I'll keep doing what I'm doing.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Thank you, Jonathan. John, do you want to say a few words?

JOHN LAPRISE: Yeah. Well, I'd continue my role as Social Media Working Group Chair. Beyond that, I would continue doing the work I've been doing for many years, which is serving the interest of At-Large, especially in North America. So whether that means I'm going to be more involved on the CPWG or I'm involved in outreach and engagement, I'll take my lead from the community as to what direction I should apply my talents and I'll go at it. Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. Thanks, John. Let's wrap up this conversation. Judith, you want to say a final statement before we finalize the call?

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Sure—

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay, thank you. I'm just kidding. Go ahead.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Well, do I have time or do we not?

EDUARDO DIAZ: I was just giving you a heard time. Just go ahead.

JUDITH HELLERSTEIN: Oh, okay. I just want to say I would be pleased and honored to become Secretariat again and to be working with you. Also, I'm helping others get involved in policy issues and helping others get involved in aspects of NARALO, whether it's getting involved in a working group, whether it is getting involved in some other outreach and engagement, getting involved in capacity, helping to try to recruit and get other people involved in different parts of the NARALO and of ICANN. I organized the general assembly in 2017 and I did the revised bylaw, so I'm very, as people can tell, detail-oriented and have good organization skills and leadership skills. So I think that, if you elect me, I can continue [work] together and engage more people in NARALO issues and in ICANN issues in general.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Thank you, Judith. Leah, please, you have the floor now.

LEAH SYMEKHER: Thank you again. I really appreciate the opportunity to—

EDUARDO DIAZ: [inaudible] [Adigo], right?

LEAH SYMEKHER: Yes. Hello? Can you hear me?

EDUARDO DIAZ: Go ahead.

LEAH SYMEKHER:

Okay. Thank you very much again for this opportunity. Looking at NARALO [inaudible] in the few years that I've been actively participating, just comparing the beginning to where we are now, there's a lot of building blocks that had to be put in place for NARALO to be where it is now and, I think, a lot of synergy. And there's more that we can achieve, building on what we have already accomplished so far. I see [inaudible] part of your working groups that we can engage in, find a way to get end users interested in that and participating throughout the country, [as large as] the United States [inaudible]. And we have Puerto Rico, of course. We don't get as much involvement. The question has always been: why? So that's an area that still remains a challenge for us. So I think that's a good area that we could put more focus on. We have a good outreach and engagement program that we've laid out, as well as organizational working groups, policy working groups, and outreach and engagement working groups that we can get people involved in.

Again, as an individual, I'm a proven problem solver, am collaborative, [inaudible] leadership, and motivate and problem solve. I'm a consensus builder, and I've been working very closely with Eduardo and his team and the community as a whole so that we can elevate ALAC and the NARALO group here to the next level. Thank you.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Thank you. Mr. Laprise?

John?

JOHN LAPRISE: Yeah, I'm sorry. I'm here. I guess, if anything, I just would like to thank everyone for the opportunity to serve for the past two years. It's been great. I've been able to make a real difference in the Internet, and that's really gratifying. I look forward to hopefully having your trust and doing it for another two years. Thank you very much.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Thank you. Mr. Zuck, please?

JONATHAN ZUCK: Thanks again, Alfredo, for nominating me and for being my campaign manager. I really appreciate it. I guess I'd like to say to all of you that I think you're going to be well served by either of us on the ALAC. I just think that I have specific experience, both as a reformer and a policy developer, for what's going on today in the community and in At-Large [inaudible]. Thanks a lot, and vote for me.

EDUARDO DIAZ: Okay. Thank you, Jonathan. This completes meet-the-candidate. I want to say thank you to all of you for taking the time to be here and talk to the region and have an opportunity to express your ideas and why you want to do this.

Just to wrap this call – we have a couple of minutes – the elections are going to [start on] May 23rd of 2019, and they're going to run for a week. Now, the individual members are a special case. I'm going to

allow Alan how the votes from the individual membership is going to happen.

Alan, please, can you brief us on that?

ALAN GREENBERG:

Yes. Thank you very much. Individual members within NARALO form what we tend to refer to as a virtual ALS. So they're not an ALS, but they act together as an ALS. To do that, if there is a vote, as there will be in this case, then the individual members will have an opportunity to vote amongst themselves. Then the results of that vote is cast in the overall election. To do this, we have a representative – the rules also call for an alternate – of the individual members. I've been acting in that capacity for the last number of years, and I'm certainly willing to continue doing that. There's no particular authority vested in this, other than making sure that the vote is cast and is cast effectively.

But if anyone is interested among the individual members, an e-mail went out a little while ago to give you an opportunity to put your name in. Over and above that, the memo asked for all individual members to reaffirm that they are still interested. We have a number of individual members who go back many, many years, and we haven't heard from them recently. This is just an opportunity to clean up the membership. So, if you are an individual members, please respond if you are interested in continuing in that capacity. And if you have an interest in being the formal representative, then please mention that also. The message that you would have gotten already will have described this in some detail.

I'm available or Evin or staff is the key person if you have any particular questions.

EDUARDO DIAZ:

Okay. Thank you, Alan, for explaining that part. It's important for people to understand how we deal with the individual members when they vote in elections.

So this effectively ends this call. I guess will hear you again in June. Thank you so much for being here and hearing what we have to say, especially the candidates that are running for the election this year.

Thank you so much. This meeting is adjourned.

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