Summary

Board approves Bylaws amendments regarding composition of Nominating Committee and directs staff to work with SIC to prepare for implementation for the 2013 Committee.

Text

Whereas, Article VII, Section 2 and 3 of the Bylaws govern the composition of the Nominating Committee (NomCom) and the terms of the NomCom members.

Whereas, in its final report published 29 January 2010 http://www.icann.org/en/reviews/nomcom/nomcom-review-finalization-wg-final-report-29jan10-en.pdf , the NomCom Review Finalization Working Group recommended that the Chair of the NomCom be elected one year in advance, requiring changes to the ICANN Bylaws in Article VII, Section 2 and 3 at http://www.icann.org/en/general/bylaws.htm#VII.

Whereas, on 12 March 2010, the Board received the NomCom Review final report and directed the Structural Improvements Committee (SIC) to identify actions necessary to address the recommendations within the report, at http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/resolutions-12mar10-en.htm#1.6.

Whereas, the SIC, at its 14 October 2010 meeting, recommended that the Bylaws should be amended to achieve the recommendation of the NomCom Review Finalization Working Group by electing the NomCom Chair one year in advance, while also highlighting that the related Bylaws amendments must incorporate appropriate flexibility for the Board.

Whereas, the Board, at its 28 October 2010 meeting, resolved that the proposed Bylaws amendments should be posted for public comments.

Whereas, the proposed Bylaws amendments, see http://www.icann.org/en/general/proposed-bylaws-revision-vii-10nov10-en.pdf, were posted for public comments from 10 November to 10 December 2010 and this period elapsed without any comments being received.

RESOLVED (2011.01.25.11), the Board approves the proposed Bylaws amendments and directs staff to work with the Structural Improvements Committee to prepare for implementation of the new provisions to be effective for the 2013 Nominating Committee.

Implementation Actions

- Prepare for implementation of new provisions to be effective for the 2013 Nominating Committee.
  - Responsible entity: Staff, working with SIC
  - Due date: None provided
  - Completion date: Completed

Rationale

The Bylaws amendments proposed will have the purpose of achieving the recommendation of the NomCom Review Finalization Working Group by designating the NomCom Chair one year in advance, while preserving appropriate flexibility for the Board to review the candidate for the Chair.

As no public comments have been received indicating that this would not be a positive change regarding the Nominating Committee and its processes, the budgetary impact of this is neutral, as the transition from the non-voting advisor to the Chair to the Chair-Elect does not represent a change in the number of Nominating Committee members supported through the budget for the Nominating Committee.

Other Related Resolutions

- Resolution 2011.08.25.07, identifying the first appointed Chair and Chair-Elect pursuant to this Bylaws revision, at http://www.icann.org/en/minutes/resolutions-25aug11-en.htm#2.
- Other resolutions TBD.

Additional Information

- The Board Governance Committee, responsible for making recommendations of NomCom leadership to the Board, completed its first recommendation to the Board of a Chair and Chair-elect for the 2011-2012 Nominating Committee, in advance of the deadline imposed within the Resolution.
- ICANN Bylaws incorporating these amendments in Art VII, Sections 2 and 3, are available at: http://www.icann.org/en/general/bylaws.htm#VII.
- The resolution does not address funding for the items identified therein.
Explanatory text does not modify or override Resolutions. See Board Resolutions Page for more information.

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