

# NARALO 2011.11.17 Summary Minutes

NARALO Meeting Summary

Dec. 6, 2010

**Present:** Beau, Brendler, Darlene Thompson, Evan Liebovitch, Alan Greenburg, Allan Skuce, Eduardo Diaz, Gordon Chillcott, Joly MacFie, Carrole Cornell, Kurt Pritz, Olivier Crepin-LeBlond, Gareth Shearman, Garth Bruen, Seth Reiss, Glenn McKnight, Avri Doria,

**Staff:** Heidi Ulrich, Seth Greene, Matt Ashtiani

**Regrets:** Joly MacFie

**Agenda:**

## NARALO AGENDA: 17 October 2011

1. Roll Call – Staff (2 min)

2. Update on Whois – Seth Reiss (10 min)

Seth is honoured to be a representative from the ALAC to the WHOIS review team. He attended a f2f meeting in Marina del Ray and will be attending the Dakar meeting. There is an active dynamic between privacy and law enforcement. The balanced approach is important but difficult to maintain when dealing with specific recommendations. The ICANN community has been involved in WHOIS for many years.

Garth Bruen – many of the issues they deal with are with privacy and law enforcement. Many times people are using privacy as a dodge when they are clearly engaged in a criminal activity. We need to make sure that ICANN and the registrars are enforcing existing policy.

See:

[Whois Background Information](#)

[Whois Review Team Discussion Paper](#)

[ALAC Statement on the WHOIS Policy Review Team – Discussion Paper](#)

[At-Large Whois Policy WG](#)

[WHOIS Background Information](#)

[WHOIS Policy Review Team](#)

3. ICANN 2012-15 Strategic Plan – Kurt Pritz, Carole Cornell (20 min)

The Strategic Plan evolves from year to year – this isn't to say that it changes in major ways, but as things are accomplished over the years they are removed and then new things come up and are added. The ICANN Mission Statement and Affirmation of Commitments are infused throughout the Strategic Plan. Four strategic focus areas are DNS Security and Stability; Competition, Consumer Trust and Choice; Core Operations including IANA; and A Healthy Internet Governance Eco-System. The draft Strategic Plan has been posted on October 23, 2011 for a 45 day period. There is a clean and a red-lined version. The red-lined version is so that people can see the changes. The strategic plan looks into the future by:

- Describing ICANN 3-5 years from now

- What external global events have shaped the future?

- What ICANN changes have occurred?

- How is the Internet impacting the world differently than today?

- How have the Internet Unique Identifier Systems evolved?

- Metrics: How should progress on the plan be measured? Assess if what we currently have is the correct metric that is meaningful and relevant both internally and to the Community

It was questioned how we can be effective in our inputs into the strategic plan? The last time we did so, it was ignored. Answer: There is an AFRALO general meeting in Dakar and other budgetary amounts were approved to the regions. They have been doing more work in trying to make the next round more expressive to our needs. (It was noted in the Skype chat that the only region why AFRALO could have a general meeting was because the other two RALOs gave up their meetings for this regions – it had nothing to do with additional budget expenditures by ICANN.)

It was also suggested that we need an At Large Academy.

Evan does not believe that the strategic planning process is worth the time and effort and believes that it is flawed. It was suggested by Kurt that it might be better to examine the Strategic Plan every three years rather than annually but every other stakeholder group wanted it annually. They think its an important platform for getting ALAC and At-Large objectives taken care of.

Evan believes that too much time is being spent on re-defining the strategy rather than actually addressing the problems. Also, much time was spent with the NARALO on what we needed but when decision time came, we were cut way down on what we could spend on without being consulted with which items we really needed and which we could give up. More rational and explaining needs to be done and rather than “community based” and “collegiality” being just catch phrases, they must be acted upon.

Kurt urges Evan to take this process seriously because everything that they do in the budget is linked to the strategic plan – all expenditures must be justified by the strategic plan. Olivier also mentioned that the ALAC improvement plan is also being linked to the strategic plan.

See:

[Request for Community Input on Formulation of 2012-2015 Strategic Plan](#) (closed 29 Aug)

[At-Large workspace on 2012-2015 Strategic Plan](#)

#### 4. Review of [summary minutes](#) and [action items](#) from 8 August 2011 – Beau (5 min)

Action items:

##### a) Glenn and Joly to continue Video Project

Joly took a video of Oliver and put up a set of questions on the Wiki. Glenn will make himself available all day Wednesday to take videos of people.

- See: [NARALO Video Project wiki](#)

##### b) Beau, Glenn and Allan Skuce to continue ALS Survey Project

They are going to split it into two projects: 1) the ALS survey project itself; 2) a large project that includes a larger community to affect NARALO direction.

- See: [NARALO ALS Survey Project wiki](#)

##### c) Seth to report on payment information for work on video and survey projects

Any NARALO person doing work on either of these projects in their professional capacity can submit an invoice. This invoice needs to be submitted to Beau and/or Darlene for approval and then this will be forwarded to Heidi who will then forward it for payment.

- See: [Funding information for NARALO projects](#)

##### d) Eduardo, with assistance from Garth and Beau, to draft letter to ICANN community describing Puerto Rico ccTLD matter

Eduardo has put together a statement that has also been looked at by Garth and Beau. They need to put it out as a statement in Dakar and maybe enlist the help of Scott Pinzon to publicize it. The document has been sent to the NARALO list and comments have been received. They will close that process out in a day or two and then move onto finalization. Allan suggests involving the ALAC ccNSO in this (Cheryl).

- Statement notes that it's not necessarily unusual in the ccTLD world, cites examples and issues a call to action

- Please add comments on the following wiki page: [NARALO Statement on the Misappropriation of the .PR Domain](#)

#### 5. [Open Public Consultations](#) – Beau (10 min)

See:

[At-Large Policy Advice Development Schedule](#)

[At-Large Policy Development wiki page](#)

#### 6. Preview of NARALO Dakar activities – Beau (5 min)

We will be discussing the items under #4 above further in Dakar. We will also be hosting a meeting on the Puerto Rico issue.

See: [Dakar At-Large Meetings List for Monday, 24.10.11](#)

- Including NARALO General Meeting, NARALO Meeting on North American Internet Users' Survey, and NARALO Meeting on Task Force on Puerto Rico's ccTLD Controversy

#### 7. Any other business – Bea (2 min)

Some possibilities:

##### a) Update on release of ALAC improvements report and discussion of metrics/evaluations of performance

##### b) Update/closure on pre-registration (Evan – re work discussing this across At-Large and ICANN)

##### c) Call for interest in reviving Registrants' Rights/Registrar Responsibilities mailing list, WG (Beau – AI from ALAC)