Governance Working Group: Updates to Approved Recommendations

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WG Process Review

- Work began in early January 2018 according to [charter](#)
- WG reviewed work done to date & drafted [a summary document](#) that was vetted by Steering and then sent to community on January 29
- WG split up and worked on pieces of community desired attributes that was then discussed and merged into a [draft governance proposal](#)
- Draft governance proposal was sent to community for comment in Feb. & [webinar](#) was held on March 1
- Feedback from Steering, more discussion, resulted in [final recommendations](#)

WG Process Review

- Partners reviewed <u>final recommendations</u> during Partner meeting at Stanford University 3/29/18-3/30/18
- Vote was held between 4/2/18-4/13/18
- 32 of 35 ballots were cast; 100% of votes cast were <u>in favor</u> (⅔ needed)
- WG completed its work; documents accessible <u>here</u>
- Some members of WG continued on to assist with Steering elections

Final Recommendations: Updates

1. Steering will become Elected Body from Partners

- 9 reps from Partners; not more than 1 rep from any given Partner
- 3 year terms; up to 2 consecutive terms; if reach term limit, must wait 3 years
- Samvera staff ex-officio, non voting members
- 3 existing Steering will rotate off 2018, 2019, 2020; eligible for re-election
- WG will handle elections in summer 2018; Community manager or other group for later elections
- Steering will elect a chair and chair-elect, who will facilitate meetings and act as a conduit for Samvera staff

1 UPDATE: Steering will become Elected Body from Partners

- Election 6/18/18-7/9/18; Three Steering members stepped down
  - Mark Bussey – DCE
  - Bess Sadler – DCE
  - Tom Cramer – Stanford
- New Steering members began their 3-year term on 8/1/18
  - Julie Allinson – CoSector, University of London
  - John Weise – University of Michigan
  - Rosalyn Metz – Emory University
- Steering chair and chair-elect occurred in September
  - Chair: Richard Green – University of Hull
  - Chair-Elect: Jon Dunn – Indiana University

2. Samvera Steering will hire Centralized Staff

- Steering will fundraise to hire Samvera staff; funds will also come from contribution model
- Once enough funds are raised to support hiring, prioritization of Community Manager or Technical Coordinator will be decided by Steering with input from Partners based on needs of community at that time

2 UPDATE: Samvera Steering will hire Centralized Staff

- Funds raised this year: $91,000
- Fundraising email: 2018-08-06
- *Next Step: Fundraising Working Group to be established*

3. Samvera Partners will develop Contribution Model

- In order to support centralized staff, a contribution model needs to be developed that includes both financial and in-kind staff time options
- New working group needs to generate model before Connect 2018
- Model will consider equity, good standing, how to value in-kind contributions, and incentives
- Partners will vote before it gets adopted

3 UPDATE: Samvera Partners will develop Contribution Model

- New working group identified:
  - Richard Green, co-facilitator (University of Hull);
  - Ryan Steans, co-facilitator (Northwestern University);
  - Julie Allinson / Steph Taylor (CoSector, London);
  - Karen Cariani (WGBH);
  - Nora Egloff (Lafayette College);
  - Annie Wu (University of Houston)
- Survey sent out about contributions; 59% of institutions participated.
- Contribution Model Working Group has sent out their draft report.

4. Samvera Partners will establish Roadmap Council

- Starting in summer 2018
- Comprised of product owners of core components and reps of other components like solution bundles, aka community owned integrants
- Generally, will align roadmaps when it makes sense, arrange for maintenance and development sprints, and coordinate communication
- Facilitated by Technical Coordinator or elected person from within Council
- Charter will be developed to determine scope and responsibilities and will be voted on by Partners
- If product owner or rep steps down, Partners will acknowledge and help identify new product owner. to continue the work

4 UPDATE: Samvera Partners will establish Roadmap Council

- [Charter for the Roadmap Council](#) developed.
- Membership includes:
  - Jon Cameron – Product Owner for Avalon
  - Steve van Tuyl – Product Owner for Hyrax
  - Rob Kaufman – Product Owner for Hyku
  - Ben Armintor – member of Core Components Maintenance Working Group
  - Mark Bussey – member of Core Components Maintenance Working Group
  - Jen Young – representative for the Metadata Interest Group
  - Nabeela Jaffer – representative for the Repository Management Interest Group
  - Julie Allison – representative for Service Providers
- Members reviewed the Roadmap Council Charter; agreed on tenets;
- *Next Steps: Partners vote on the Charter*

5. Steering will update Bylaws

- Once first new 3 Steering members are elected, Steering will update [Bylaws](#) using these recs as a framework
- Bylaws will be voted on by Partners at Connect 2018

5 UPDATE: Steering will update Bylaws

- Steering reviewed the Bylaws and updated them
- Partners reviewed the updates in Partner meeting
- *Next Steps: Partner will vote on the Bylaws*

6. Partners will assess Governance at end of 2019

- Before Connect 2019, a working group should survey Partners and decide whether these recs are satisfying Partners' needs and recommend next steps if problems are identified
- At Connect 2019, Partners should formally assess these recs based on output of working group

Thanks!
Questions?