

Minutes of the GNSO Council Meeting 24 October part II 2018

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Coordinated Universal Time: 13:15 UTC: <https://tinyurl.com/ycvf33wr>

List of attendees:

Nominating Committee Appointee (NCA): – **Non-Voting** – Erika Mann

Contracted Parties House

Registrar Stakeholder Group: Pam Little, Michele Neylon, Darcy Southwell

gTLD Registries Stakeholder Group: Maxim Alzoba, Keith Drazek, Rubens Kühl

Nominating Committee Appointee (NCA): Carlos Raul Gutierrez

Non-Contracted Parties House

Commercial Stakeholder Group (CSG): Marie Pattullo, Scott McCormick, Philippe Fouquart, Tony Harris, Paul McGrady, Flip Petillion

Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group (NCSG): Martin Silva Valent, Elsa Saade, Tatiana Tropina, Rafik Dammak, Ayden Férdeline (absent, proxy to Martin Silva Valent), Arsène Tungali (absent, temporary alternate Farrell Folly), Farrell Folly

Nominating Committee Appointee (NCA): Syed Ismail Shah (absent, proxy to Erika Mann)

GNSO Council Liaisons/Observers:

Cheryl Langdon-Orr– ALAC Liaison

Julf (Johan) Helsingius– GNSO liaison to the GAC

Adebiji Oladipo – ccNSO observer

ICANN Staff

David Olive –Senior Vice President, Policy Development Support and Managing Manager

Marika Konings – Vice President, Policy Development Support – GNSO

Mary Wong – Vice President, Strategic Community Operations, Planning and Engagement

Julie Hedlund – Policy Director

Steve Chan – Policy Director

Berry Cobb – Policy Consultant

Emily Barabas – Policy Manager

Ariel Liang – Policy Support Specialist

Caitlin Tubergen – Policy Senior Manager

Mike Brennan – Technical Support

Nathalie Peregrine – Manager, Operations Support

Terri Agnew - Operations Support - GNSO Lead Administrator

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[Transcript](#)

Item 1. Seating of the 2018 / 2019 Council

1.1 - Roll Call

1.2 - Statements of Interest

Statements of interest were received from the new Councillors:

Maxim Alzoba - [SOI](#) Registries Stakeholder Group

Elsa Saade - [SOI](#) Non-Commercial Stakeholder Group

Flip Petillion: [SOI](#) Intellectual Property Constituency

Scott McCormick: [SOI](#) Commercial and Business Users Constituency

1.3 - Review / Amend Agenda

The agenda was accepted without change.

Item 2. Election of the Chair

Two nominations were received for this position, Keith Drazek and Rafik Dammak. The GNSO Council held a question & answer session over the weekend with both candidates. The Council proceeded to elect the chair according to the GNSO Operating Procedures.

GNSO OPERATING PROCEDURES

<https://gns0.icann.org/sites/default/files/file/field-file-attach/op-procedures-18jun18-en.pdf>

Section 2.2 Officer Elections: Chair and Vice-Chairs

The vote was by secret ballot which had three options:

Keith Drazek

Rafik Dammak

None of the Above

Berry Cobb and Nathalie Peregrine tallied the votes.

The results of the first round were:

	Candidate 1	Candidate 2	Candidate 0
Results:	Keith Drazek	Rafik Dammak	None of the Above
CPH	7	0	0
NCPH	4	9	0
	11	9	0

CPH	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%
NCPH	30.77%	69.23%	0.00%
	130.77%	69.23%	0.00%

As a consequence, Keith Drazek went to to second round of voting.
 The second round of voting began by secret ballot with the following text:
 Keith Drazek
 None of the Above

The results of the second round were:

	Candidate 1	Candidate 2	Candidate 0
Results:	Keith Drazek	None of the Above	Abstention
CPH	7	0	0
NCPH	11	1	1
	18	1	1

CPH	100.00%	0.00%	0.00%
NCPH	84.62%	7.69%	7.69%
	184.62%	7.69%	7.69%

With the 60% threshold attained in both the Contracted Party House and the Non Contracted Party House, Keith Drazek was elected GNSO Chair 2018- 2019.

Both houses are expected to provide their Vice Chair names shortly.

Action item:

- *GNSO Secretariat* to inform the Board and the Community appropriately and post the election results on the GNSO website within 2 business days following each election and runoff ballot, whether successful or unsuccessful.

Item 3: COUNCIL DISCUSSION - GNSO Empowered Community Roles and Responsibilities – GNSO Operating Procedures Templates and Guideline Development

Keith Drazek reminded councilors that this discussion stemmed from the IANA transition and ICANN accountability processes.

Julie Hedlund, ICANN Org, presented to the GNSO Council the recent changes to the GNSO Operating Procedures and ICANN Bylaws. Staff put together a [table](#) of recommendations encompassing the changes and advising the Council of what actions are needed to fill its role as Decisional Participant. To that aim, the [table](#) also provides templates to be used when warranted. GNSO Council input on the table is now expected.

Rafik Dammak asked to clarify the work of the [GNSO Bylaws Implementation Drafting team](#), whose work was taken into account and triggered changes to the GNSO Operating Procedures: voting thresholds, working of the Consent Agenda. Further changes could be required after review of the recommendations table. The [Standing Committee on Improvements Implementation](#) was previously tasked with the overview of these changes, the [GNSO Review Working Group](#) was also given the task of reviewing any changes to the GNSO operating procedures. It remains for the new council to decide on a sustainable procedure or structure moving forward.

Action items:

- Noting that the previous drafting team is disbanded, *ICANN staff* to conduct a new call for volunteers, which could include Councilors and appointees from SG/Cs (and former members).
- *ICANN staff* to send to the GNSO Council the link to Google Drive folder, which contains current working drafts.

Item 4. Any Other Business

Erika Mann informed councilors that she received a communication from Cherine Chalaby that ICANN Board was to present a resolution about the reserve funds. **Keith Drazek** accepted her request that he circulate it to the GNSO Council. Whilst the CCWG on Auction Proceeds has no decisional role on the resolution, the results will impact the CCWG, therefore the informational channel is appreciated.

Michele Neylon raised concerns about ICANN Board's power of decision over whether or not the auction proceeds replenish the reserve fund, and about the ensuing purpose of community discussion on the matter be it in the form of the CCWG or cross community exchanges. **Erika Mann** advised against discussing the matter before the Board resolution was passed.

Graeme Bunton, Registrar Stakeholder Group Chair, came to the microphone to announce that the Contracted Party House hoped to have the Contracted Party House Vice Chair announced shortly.

Keith Drazek, GNSO Chair, adjourned the meeting at 14:15 UTC.

The next GNSO Council meeting will take place on Thursday 29 November 2018 at 12:00 UTC
For other times: <https://tinyurl.com/yaojzutp>