ISC Board Meeting - Mar 18, 2024

Roll call: Andras Lasso, Brad, Dženan Zukić, Hans Johnson, Jon Haitz Legarreta Gorroño, Julien Jomier, Matt McCormick, Nick Tustison, Serena Bonaretti

Committee Reports

NumFOCUS Project/Staff Bi-monthly Meeting / Summit

- Important topics included the formation of scientific and technical boards, and the creation of an Open Source Scientific Software Alliance.
- Links to meeting recordings and notes were provided.

NumFOCUS Small Development Grant

- Proposal on Community Outreach for Performance Benchmarks drafted by Jon Haitz and submitted by Matt McCormick.
- Grant limit reduced from \$20K to \$10K; proposal was submitted for \$10K.
- o If funded, mentorship will be provided to a UNC or Duke student.

NumFOCUS DISC Committee Nominations

- Open call for nominations for the DISC committee aimed at improving diversity within the open-source data science community.
- Nomination form and additional information were provided.

NumFOCUS AI Questionnaire

- Discussion on integrating AI and potential use of ITK as a backbone for preparing training data.
- Development of an ITK Documentation Chatbot named "Al Insights" was proposed.

Special Orders

New Council Members and Officer Elections

- New officers were discussed, including Matt McCormick (President), Brad (Vice President), Julien Jomier (Secretary), and Hans Johnson (Treasurer).
- The election process and tenure period were to be reviewed in future meetings.

NumFOCUS Policies and Procedures

- Discussion on the distribution of NumFOCUS funds, including donor options and proposal submissions for small development grants.
- Potential new policies and procedures for managing donations and grants were proposed.

Unfinished Business

ITKv6 Updates

 Upcoming changes include depreciation, repository renaming, and various technical upgrades.

NumFOCUS Small Development Grant for Zarr Support

- Next proposal submission planned for March/April.
- Discussion on hosting a summer intern for this grant.

Donations and Fund Management

- Proposal to add descriptions of how donations are used on the ISC website.
- Consideration of ways to better advertise sponsorship opportunities and donation impacts.

Insight Journal Updates

Ongoing updates and improvements to the Insight Journal 3.0 were discussed.

New Business

- Advertising and Sponsorship
 - Strategies to better advertise ITK sponsorships on GitHub and Discourse were explored, including automated messaging features and relevant GitHub actions.
- Bill Lorensen Memorial Award
- Process for ISC letters of support and adding NumFOCUS support to grants were discussed.