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On Thu, 2018-09-06 at 21:47 +0200, Daniel Vetter wrote:

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> On Thu, Sep 6, 2018 at 9:44 PM, James Bottomley
> <James.Bottomley at hansenpartnership.com> wrote:
> > Since our fearless leader apparently can't even remember the dates
> > of
> > the only conference he goes to, perhaps now might be a good time to
> > talk about how we'd run an orderly succession process (purely
> > theoretically, of course ...)
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> > I think a vote amongst the Maintainer Summit attendees might be the
> > way
> > to elect a new leader, but others probably have different ideas.
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> Why I single leader?
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> This group maintainer ship thing ... it works.
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Well, lets talk about that. I like the single leader model because it doesn't lead to the cabal cult like the group maintainer model does in BSD. However, if we have a plan that can avoid that, I think it would be a reasonable thing to try out.

I also note that group maintainership seems only to work for you in DRM; most of the other subsystems seem to have single leader hierarchical maintainership.

James

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