Blockchain Technology Club MINUTES, EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING Thursday, May 17, 2018 RIT Center for Biotechnology 75-1160

The meeting was called to order by Secretary Zygmunt at 13:05	1.01 Meeting called to order
Roll called by Secretary Zygmunt, showed the following executive board members present: Daniel Jacob Behnke, Treasurer Sergio Zygmunt, Secretary The following executive board members were present via teleconferencing with video: Ethan Witherington, Webmaster Ryan Volz, Vice President The following executive board members were shown to be absent: Hector Escobedo, Public Relations Jack Corrigan, Peer Advisor Joseph Netti, President Also in attendance: Alexandra Felker, SUNY Brockport	1.02 Roll call
Secretary Zygmunt welcomed everyone to the meeting and reminded everyone that all members of the Executive Board need to complete the RIT financial certification process.	1.03 Secretary's comments
Treasurer Behnke discussed Tuesday's conference call and its outcomes, citing that we could potentially attain funding and other valuable resources from RIT and other sponsors if we work with outside organizations and groups. Webmaster Witherington seconded.	1.04 Old business

Treasurer Behnke raised the topic of the website and its development progress. Webmaster Witherington addressed the topic by saying that version one is complete, and that progress is being made towards version two. Behnke added that a content management system would be ideal for the management of the club's multimedia assets. Witherington agreed with the concept of a content management system, with Secretary Zygmunt adding that it would enable the club to share documents to increase transparency, including meeting minutes and financial statements. Behnke expressed interest in WordPress, citing its ease of use and simple administration, met with some resistance by Zygmunt and Witherington. Zygmunt brought up the Amazon Web Services grant application and Behnke said he would further investigate its status. It was determined that we would decide at a future date when we get a final determination from Amazon regarding the grant.	2.01 Webmaster's report
Secretary Zygmunt raised concern regarding the club's DNS records and how we would manage adding additional records to the zone for btcrit.com. Vice President Volz added that President Netti holds the domain registration and the zone file. Zygmunt suggested creating a team Cloudflare account which would enable multiple people to modify the zone file using their unique login to Cloudflare. Volz approved of the idea, seconded by Behnke, citing that a team account would enable easy administration and central control. Secretary Zygmunt suggested that the club work with President Netti to get the domain's nameserver (NS) records changed to the Cloudflare server and that Domain Name System Security Extensions (DNSSEC) be enabled at the same time for enhanced security. The final determination was that the club would work with President Netti to change over the nameserver records over to Cloudflare once the club gets its group email account set up.	2.02 Webmaster's report

Secretary Zygmunt raised the idea of migrating the club's emails to a new email account by using the RIT group Microsoft Exchange account that the club could request from Information Technology Services (ITS). Treasurer Behnke agreed, citing that a single source for club communication to a wide audience should come from a generic email address that is not associated with any particular individual. Zygmunt proposed the email address btc@rit.edu, seconded by Behnke.	3.01 Club communication report
Treasurer Behnke raised the club's goals and mission statement. Vice President Volz and Webmaster Witherington, along with Zygmunt made the consensus that the goal is to increase the population's education and use of Blockchain and related technologies.	4.01 Program goals report
Webmaster Witherington brought up the fall semester event. Previously, it was called Blockhack and was a discrete hackathon with no affiliation. Treasurer Behnke said that we are not quite ready to run our own event, citing that we do not have enough popularity to justify running our own hackathon. Vice President Volz suggested that we work with Brickhack, RIT's main hackathon as well as potential sponsors to create a preparation program. Zygmunt introduced the idea of following the model the DEFCON Security conference follows with "talks" and "villages," with the former being a traditional lecture or some sort of interactive lecture and the latter being an unstructured area with a broad topic that people can get assistance and knowledge from.	4.02 Event planning
The idea was tabled until a future meeting.	

Several options were raised, including Discord, Email, Facebook, Signal, and Slack. It was determined that Signal and email are not easy to use. Slack is not free after a reasonable number of messages and was ruled out. Cross platform support was not determined possible on Signal due to its lack of a solid desktop and lack of any web client. Discord was chosen because it is free, has cross-platform support and allows for multiple channels for different topics. It was determined that the club would introduce Discord through a pilot and then have the club discuss its implementation at a future meeting. Secretary Zygmunt introduced the idea that we need to add compliance messages to the website, following RIT branding manual. Witherington said that it would be easy to do. Zygmunt raised the idea that we need some sort of attendance system that is easy to use yet provides actionable insights for future reports. Treasurer Behnke raised the concern that potential sponsors and supporters would want to see the data for award determination. Zygmunt seconded the idea, and provided RIT's Information Security clubs as an example. The idea is to be discussed at a future planning meeting.	Treasurer Behnke raised the idea of changing messaging platforms from Matrix (often delivered through Riot) to a more accessible and easier to use platform.	5.01 Community involvement report
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At this point the board took comments from the public. No members of the public raised any questions or concerns. 6.01 Public comment	· ·	

The meeting can be summarized by saying that the club chose a new messaging platform, has made progress on the website, and is working to develop an event for the RIT population. Things to work on include the website, the planning of future meetings and events, and the use of computing resources. Motion by Behnke, seconded by Zygmunt to adjourn meeting at 14:43. MOTION CARRIED Time: 14:49 Respectfully submitte	end of August	ing platform	7.01 Closing remarks
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