

Board meeting

SEPTEMBER 2024

Meeting information

Date: 23 September 2024
Time: 4:00 - 5:30 PM in London / 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM in New York
Location: Please join via Zoom link in the calendar invitation
Meeting type: Regular
Notice given: November 13, 2023
Next meeting: November 25, 2024 4:00 - 5:30 PM in London /
11:00 AM - 12:30 PM in New York

Advance Reading

Materials for all Board meetings are kept in the relevant folder [here](#). (Always refer to the PDF).

Context and goals for the meeting	[ITEM A]
Meeting minutes for approval	[ITEM B]
Board register	[ITEM C]
Board business and meeting schedule	[ITEM D]
Committee meeting summaries	[ITEM E]
Financial report FY24 year-end	[ITEM F]
Charter: Fundraising advisory board	[ITEM G]
Fee development: Progress by the Member Model Advisory Group	[ITEM H]
Appointment of officers	[ITEM I]
Proposal for enhancing Dryad committees	[ITEM J]
Executive session	[ITEM K]

Minutes

Approved: [Month, DD, YYYY]

Published: [Month, DD, YYYY; Time AM/PM (Eastern Time US/Canada)]

Secretary Signature:

Attendance

Board of Directors

Please sign in to the attendance tab in [this spreadsheet](#)

Board members (late or early departure) *[BOD members please put your name here if you missed/will miss a portion of the meeting]:*

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Board Chair/Secretary Present: Yes/Yes

Quorum (7): Yes

Guests (not Board members)

Please sign in (first name, last name, title, affiliation):

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Notes

Motions and votes are documented [here](#).

September 2023 Minutes:

Approved: [September 23, 2024]

May 2024 Minutes:

Minutes identified for additional review due to sensitive materials. Motion deferred.

Secretary Signature:

Advanced reading: Nothing to discuss. Will be addressed in other parts of the agenda.
[ITEM C]

IM: Financial [ITEM F]:

- Monthly financial monitoring introduced for better projects
- Variance in budget due to slower-than-expected membership growth
- Discussion: Importance of proactive monitoring and engaging members
- Acknowledgement of Finance Committee members for their contributions

JG: Membership Model Advisory Group (MMAG) Update: [ITEM H]:

- Goals: Stabilize the fee structure and align costs with organizational needs
- Key proposals: Tiered membership fees based on size and type. Shift billing hierarchy to institutions first, publishers second. Transition plans for new and existing members over three years.
- Discussions: Need for financial modeling of proposed phasing and ensuring Dryad's sustainability

Fundraising Advisory Board Charter Approval [ITEM G]

- Motion to approve the charter proposed by JW, seconded by DP
- Unanimously passed
- Discussion: Role in identifying funding opportunities and leveraging expertise

Appointment of officers [Information [ITEM I]:

- Upcoming November meeting to elect officers
- Board members encouraged to consider roles (Chair, Vice-chair, Secretary)
- Board assessment survey to be sent out by Board Source for evaluating performance and alignment with best practices.

Proposal for enhancing Dryad committees [Discussion]

[ITEM J]

- Objective: enhance efficiency by delegating detailed discussions to committees
- Proposed structure: Committees serve as the main deliberative bodies. Board focuses on strategic decision-making based on committee recommendations
- Discussion: Cultural and operational alignment required. Suggestions for onboarding and role clarity
- Action: Executive Committee to refine operational details and present for approval in November

Executive Session

Meeting Adjournment: [time] ## 12:13 pm edt