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**AUGUST 2018**

A group of people in formal attire, including a man in a tuxedo and a woman in a floral dress, smiling and laughing.

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# PEP

# PYTHON ENHANCEMENT PROPOSAL

# PEP 8

## STYLE GUIDE FOR PYTHON CODE

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### AUTHOR: GUIDO VAN ROSSUM

# PEP 20

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### AUTHOR: TIM PETERS

# PEP 566

## METADATA FOR PYTHON SOFTWARE PACKAGES 2.1

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- 3) IMPLEMENTATION

# PEP 572

# ASSIGNMENT EXPRESSIONS





```
foo = [f(x), f(x)**2, f(x)**3]
```

$y = f(x)$

$\text{foo} = [y, y^{**2}, y^{**3}]$

**LESS CODE  
IS BETTER!**

**MORE EFFICIENCY  
IS BETTER!**

**PEP 572**

**WHY NOT BOTH?**

```
foo = [y := f(x), y**2, y**3]
```

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COMPATIBILITY**  
**"WHERE WILL THIS WORK?"**

**TEACHABILITY**  
**"WHAT DO WE CALL THIS?"**

**ATTRACTIVENESS**  
**"IT'S JUST UGLY!"**

Yury Selivanov on Twitter: "Ser x

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36% Yes

64% No

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# [python-committers] Results of the poll: Do you like the PEP 572 Assignment Expressions?

Victor Stinner [vstinner at redhat.com](mailto:vstinner@redhat.com)

Wed May 9 12:10:55 EDT 2018

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Hi,

As announced last week, I publish the result of the poll I started on the \*current\* Chris Angelico's PEP 572 "Assignment Expressions":

<https://www.python.org/dev/peps/pep-0572/>

Results:

- \* Like (+1): 3 (8%)
- \* Dislike (-1): 29 (76%)
- \* No opinion (0): 6 (16%)

Percents if you ignore no opinion:

- \* Like (+1): 3 (9%)
- \* Dislike (-1): 29 (91%)

Two people voted on a variant of the PEP, so I excluded from my results:

**TIM PETERS:  
"THE CURRENT PROPOSAL WOULD  
HAVE ALLOWED A MODEST BUT  
CLEAR IMPROVEMENT IN QUITE A  
FEW BITS OF CODE."**

BARRY WARSAW.

"SINCE IT CHANGES THE SYNTAX OF  
THE LANGUAGE, PEOPLE TEND TO  
FOCUS ON THAT WITHOUT  
UNDERSTANDING THE DEEPER  
SEMANTIC ISSUES."

**ŁUKASZ LANGA:  
"DICTATORS SHOULD DICTATE"**

**GUIDO VAN ROSSUM:  
HAD TO STOP READING THE THREADS  
SO HE WOULDN'T "GO INSANE"**

PEP 572: Acceptance by gvanr x

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## PEP 572: Acceptance #735

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3	3	Author: Chris Angelico <rosuav@gmail.com>, Tim Peters <tim.peters@gmail.com>, Guido van Rossum <guido@python.org>
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Now that PEP 572 is done, I don't ever want to have to fight so hard for a PEP and find that so many people despise my decisions.

I would like to remove myself entirely from the decision process. I'll still be there for a while as an ordinary core dev, and I'll still be available to mentor people -- possibly more available. But I'm basically giving myself a permanent vacation from being BDFL, and you all will be on your own.

After all that's eventually going to happen regardless -- there's still that bus lurking around the corner, and I'm not getting younger... (I'll spare you the list of medical issues.)

I am not going to appoint a successor.

So what are you all going to do? Create a democracy? Anarchy? A dictatorship? A federation?

# QUESTIONS

**WHAT DOES THIS  
MEAN FOR PYTHON?**

**IT'S GOING  
TO BE OK**

**WILL THIS BECOME  
PART OF PYTHON?**

**PROBABLY  
(IN 3.8)**

**BUT I DON'T LIKE IT!**

**THEN DON'T  
WRITE IT!**

**IS GUIDO  
COMING BACK?**

PROBABLY NOT

**WILL THIS  
HAPPEN AGAIN?**

PROBABLY NOT



# THANKS!