



NIEMOPEN

PGB Executive Session

10 January 2023

Ms. Katherine Escobar
NIEMOpen Project Governance Board Chair

AGENDA

- Call to Order
 - TEAMS Link
 - Meeting Etiquette
- Note Takers
- Roll Call & Introductions
 - Voting Members (Sponsors)
 - PGB Expert Voting Members (TSCs)
- Around-the-Horn – PGB Voting Members
- Approval of Meeting Minutes from 20 October 2022
- Sponsor Update
- OASIS Staff / NIEMOpen Administrator Comments
- NIEMOpen Transition Progress Update
- NIEMOpen.org Webpage Demo
 - Demo: Aubrey Beach (BAH)
- PGB Issues for Consideration & Vote
 - Charter Amendment
 - Standing Rules
 - Release Cycle
 - Release Workflow leading to Open Project Draft Specification
 - Open Project Specification Rehearsal Documents
 - First NIEMOpen OASIS Standard Submission
- Resources
- Next Meeting
- Other Business
- Questions
- Adjourn

VENUE

PGB Meeting

- Thursday, January 2023
- Virtual Meeting 3 – 4 PM EST
 - Virtual: MS TEAMS

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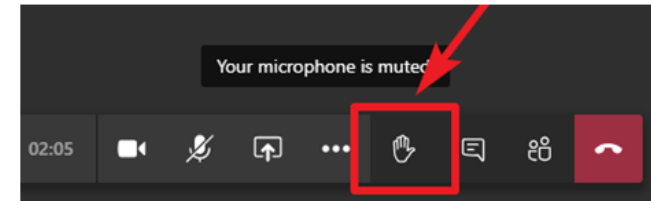
Please note: ESC sessions are audio recorded.

Meeting Minutes will be published and distributed to participants.

QUESTIONS & ANSWERS ARE ENCOURAGED!

To signal you want to contribute without interrupting the speaker

- Enter comments via **CHAT window** at any time



To signal a question or respond to a question

- Click on '**Raise your hand**' button on meeting toolbar

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Presenters, please be mindful of timing

NOTE TAKER

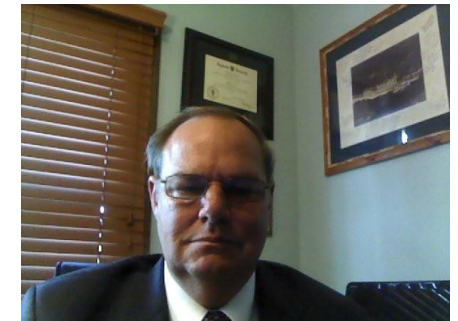
The PGB Executive Session is being recorded on MS TEAMS. A link to the recording will be provided and meeting minutes will be posted on the NIEMOpen Git Repo once approved:

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PGB VOTING MEMBERS

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Director



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Systems Engineering & Standards
Division, Science and Technology
Directorate, US Department of
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Director Business
Development,
Equivant



Mr. John Wandelt
Principal Research
Scientist, Georgia Tech
Research Institute



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Mr. Duncan Sparrell
CSO sFractal Consulting



Mr. Tom Welch
Secretary | Past President
National Association for
Justice Information Systems



Mr. Satish Sripada
Office of Biometric Identity
Management (OBIM), U.S.
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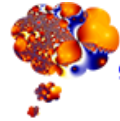
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PGB EXPERT VOTING MEMBERS (TSCS)



Kamran Atri
Co-Chair
NIEM Business
Architecture Committee
(NBAC) Technical Steering
Committee (TSC)

The NBAC TSC PGB
Expert Voting Member role
will alternate between Co-
Chairs on a semi-annual
basis. (Kamran Atri: 1 Jan
2023 - 31 June 2023,
Thomas Krul: 1 Jul 2023 –
31 Dec 2023).



Jim Cabral
Co-Chair
NIEM Technical
Architecture Committee
(NTAC) Technical Steering
Committee (TSC)



Beth Smalley
Co-Chair
NIEM Management Office
(NMO) Technical Steering
Committee (TSC)

PGB MEMBERS: AROUND-THE-HORN



APPROVAL OF MINUTES

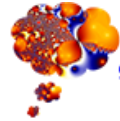
- **Chair:** A Draft of the NIEMOpen 20 October PGB Executive Session Meeting Minutes was provided to PGB Voting Members as a readahead
- **Chair:** Do any of the members have comments on the Minutes?
- **Chair:** Are there any objections to approving the Minutes for 20 October?
- **Chair:** Without objection, approved

✓ ? ☐ Approve
☐ Approve w/ Comment

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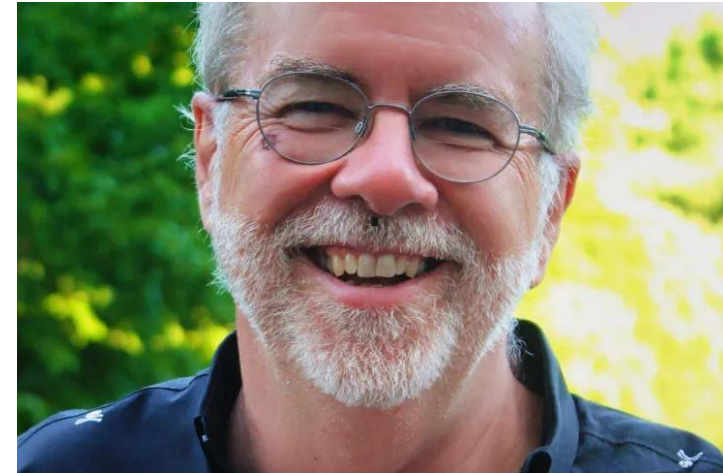
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OASIS STAFF /NIEMOPEN ADMINISTRATOR COMMENTS



Ms. Carol Geyer
OASIS OPEN Chief Development
Officer



Mr. Chet Ensign
OASIS OPEN Senior Manager,
Development & Advocacy

NIEM OPEN TRANSITION PROGRESS

Complete

- ✓ Draft POA&M
- ✓ Draft and publish NIEM Open Charter
- ✓ J6 Sponsorship
- ✓ Transfer NIEM community Rosters/email distros
- ✓ Conduct First Sponsor Kickoff Mtg
- ✓ OASIS Admin Privileges
 - Web Presence (NIEMOpen.org)
 - Jira/Confluence
- ✓ Revising NBAC & NTAC Governance Docs Agreements
- ✓ TRANSITION ESC TO PGB ADVISORY BODY 20 OCT 22
- ✓ KICKOFF PGB 20 OCT 22

In Progress

- Identify Potential Sponsors/Conduct Outreach
- Populating OASIS Jira & Confluence Site
- Updating NIEM Branding
- Build Out NIEMOpen.org
- Weekly Synch w/ OASIS Staff
- Assessing NIEM Model & NIEM GTRI GitHub Capital/Equities & Planning Transfer to OASIS
- Researching OASIS Release Process and Planning 1st Release Under OASIS

To Be Accomplished

- Obtain contributor license agreements (CLAs/e-CLAs)
- Physically Transfer NIEM Capital/Equities (Model, Specifications, Documentation) to OASIS
- Implement “New” development and release processes (lead developer actions)



Submit NIEM Project Specifications for Approval as OASIS Standard

- NIEM Model
- NIEM Technical Framework

NIEMOPEN.ORG

- Highlights/ Demo
- Aubrey Beach Administrator



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PGB ISSUES FOR CONSIDERATION & VOTE AGENDA

- Charter Amendment
- Standing Rules
- NTAC Proposals:
 - Release Cycle Framework
 - Release Workflow leading to Open Project Draft Specification
 - Open Project Specification Rehearsal Document(s)
 - First NIEMOpen OASIS Standard Submission

CHARTER AMENDMENT

- **Chair:** A Draft of the proposed Amendment to the NIEM Open Charter was provided to PGB Voting Members as a readahead
- **Chair:** Motion to consider adoption of the following Amendment to the NIEM Charter:
 1. Upon review of the NIEMOpen Charter in preparation for the PGB 20 October 2023 Kickoff, it was discovered that the charter referred to the following tools to be transferred to OASIS:

The intent is to transfer to OASIS the functionality embodied in these tools, but not the current source code associated with these exigent tools.

- **Chair:** Do any of the members have comments on the proposed Amendment?
- **Chair:** Are there any objections to approving the proposed Amendment



Approve



Approve w/ Comment



Chair: Without objection, approved
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ADOPTION OF STANDING RULES

- **Chair:** A Draft of the proposed Standing Rule(s) was provided to PGB Voting Members as a readahead
- **Chair:** Motion to consider adoption of the following Standing Rules:
 1. NIEMOpen PGB Expert Voting Members from TSCs may be appointed by the TSCs on an annual or semi-annual rotating basis.
- **Chair:** Are there additional Standing Rule proposals from the floor (PGB Voting Members)?
- **Chair:** Do any of the members have comments on the proposed Standing Rule(s) ?
- **Chair:** Are there any objections to approving the proposed Standing Rule(s)
- **Chair:** Without objection, approved

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RELEASE CYCLE & WORKFLOW

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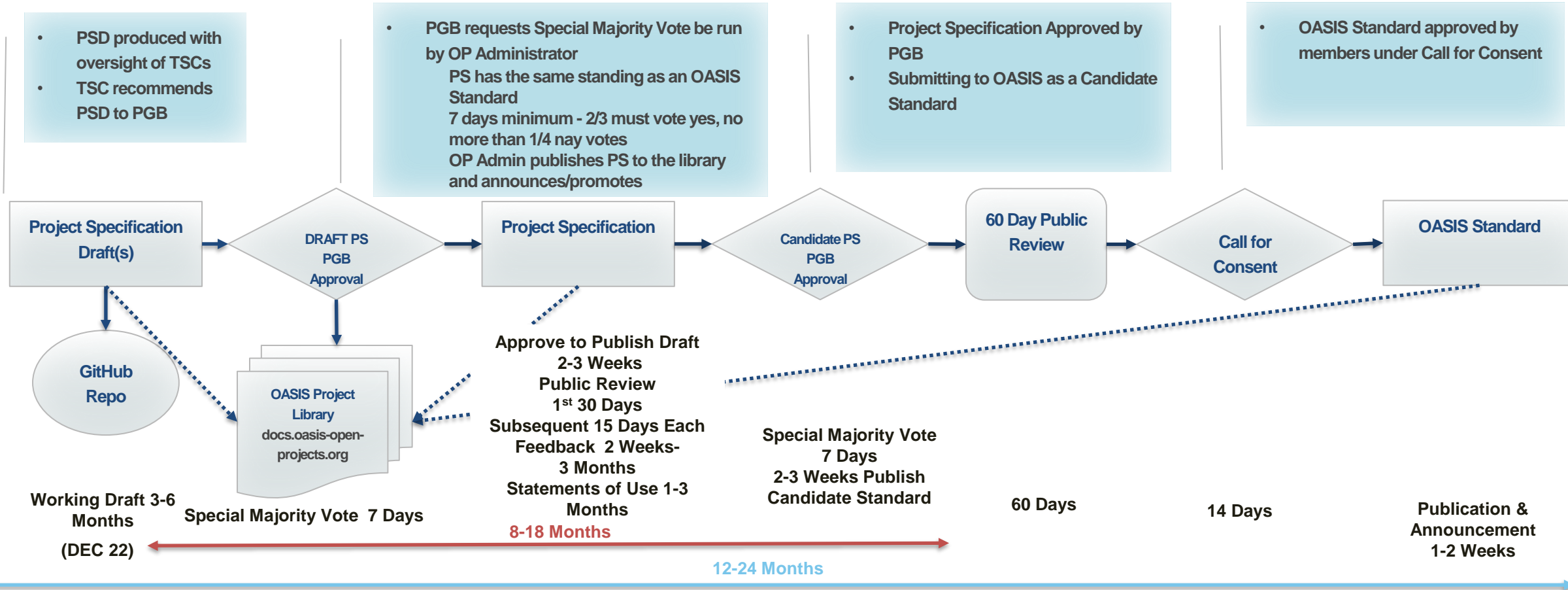
LEASE CYCLE & WORKFLOW

- Placeholder

SPECIFICATION WORKFLOW AND TIMELINE

- Request a spec template from OP Admin
- Decide on editor(s)
 - Editor's job is to capture the intentions of the project team/TSC
 - Editor's Manual starting at <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1ITartcAzlqidzrCxuXFFiwdRDKRipqMnNsMS24SZdjg/edit>
- Create Project Specification Draft (PSD)

- PGB can decide to advance PS to OASIS for consideration as an OASIS Standard
 - Requires 3 Statements of Use and a Special Majority Vote run by OP Admin
 - 60-day public comment period
 - The Project Specification (PS) is put to OASIS Members in a 14-day Call for Consent. If no objections, work becomes an OASIS Standard, eligible for submission to other SDOs



PGB RECOMMENDATION OF INTENT TO SUBMIT **XXX** AS A REHEARSAL CANDIDATE SPECIFICATION (S)

- Placeholder

PGB RECOMMENDATION OF INTENT TO SUBMIT RELEASE **X.X** AS A CANDIDATE OASIS STANDARD

- Placeholder

RESOURCES

- [OASIS Open - OASIS Open \(oasis-open.org\)](https://oasis-open.org/)
- NIEMOpen.org: <http://NiemOpen.org>
- Git Repos
 - NIEMOpen: <https://github.com/niemopen/>
 - NTAC TSC TBD: in-progress
 - NBAC TSC TBD: in-progress
 - NMO TSC TBD: in-progress
- NIEMOpen Slack Channel: <https://niemopen.slack.com/>
- Mailing Lists
 - NIEMOpen : <https://lists.oasis-open-projects.org/g/niemopen>
 - PGB: <https://lists.oasis-open-projects.org/g/niemopen-pgb>
 - NTAC TSC: <https://lists.oasis-open-projects.org/g/niemopen-ntactsc>
 - NBAC TSC: <https://lists.oasis-open-projects.org/g/niemopen-nbactsc>
 - NMO TSC: <https://lists.oasis-open-projects.org/g/niemopen-nmotsc>



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PGB MEETING SCHEDULE

NEXT PGB Meeting

- Tuesday, 11 April 2023
- Virtual Meeting 3 – 4 PM EST
 - Virtual: MS TEAMS

Q3 & 4 2023 Meetings

- Tuesday, 11 July 2023
- Tuesday, 12 Dec 2023

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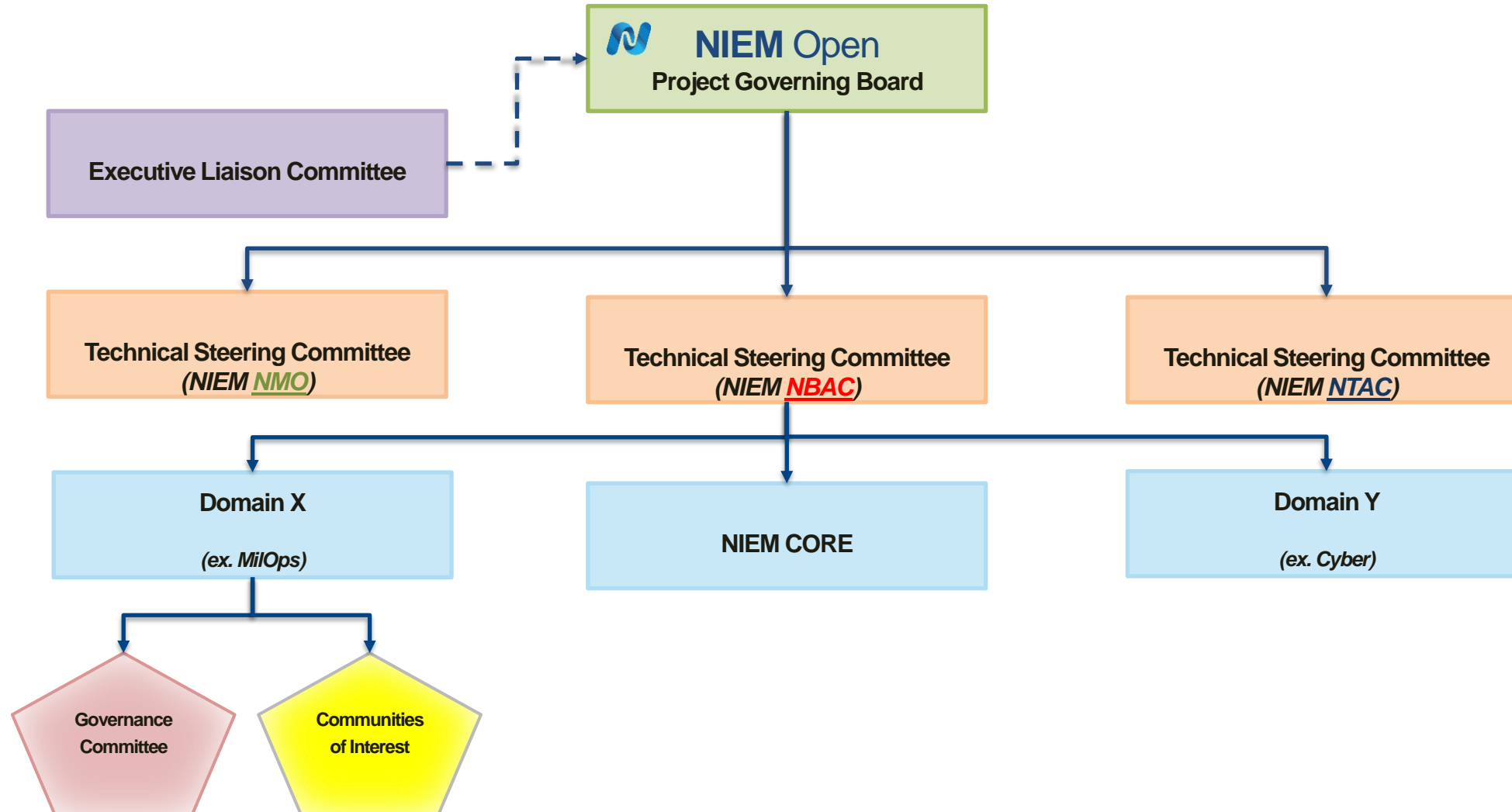
ADJOURN

- Chair: Is there any more business?
- Chair: Do any of the PGB members or our attending guests have any questions?
- Chair: Meeting Adjourned



BACKUPS

TRANSITION TO OASIS OPEN PROJECT/GOVERNANCE



NBAC, NTAC, & NMO TSC CO-CHAIRS

TSC	Approved (TSC CHAIRS)
NBAC TSC	Mr. Kamran Atri & Mr. Thomas Krul
NTAC TSC	Dr. Scott Renner & Mr. Jim Cabral
NMO TSC	Ms. Katherine Escobar & Ms. Beth Smalley

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NTAC
TSC



NMO
TSC



NIEM OPEN MAINTAINERS

GitHub Repos	Primary	Alternates
NIEM Open	Ms. Christina Medlin & Mr. Aubrey Beach	Mr. Tom Carlson, Ms. Shunda Louis
NBAC TSC	Ms. Christina Medlin & Mr. Aubrey Beach	Mr. Tom Carlson, Ms. Shunda Louis, Mr. Steve Sullivan
NTAC TSC	Mr. Tom Carlson & Christina Medlin	Mr. Aubrey Beach, Ms. Shunda Louis, Dr. Scott Renner, Mr. Mike Douklias
NMO TSC	Mr. Aubrey Beach	Ms. Shunda Louis, Mr. Steve Sullivan, Mr. Mike Douklias



Ms. Christina Medlin



Mr. Aubrey Beach



Mr. Tom Carlson

PHYSICALLY TRANSFER NIEM CAPITAL/ EQUITIES TO OASIS (LEAD DEVELOPER)

- **NIEM API 2.0** - Provides lead developer resources currently used to manage the NIEM model as open-source code
 - NIEM database
 - NIEM model management functions (add, update, delete content)
 - NIEM model QA Change request spreadsheet
 - QA Change request spreadsheet importer
 - NIEM XML schema importer
 - NIEM XML schema generator
 - NIEM XML schema conformance validator
 - Documentation spreadsheet generator
 - Change log generator
 - Release builder
 - Release statistics generator
 - Migration rule builder
 - SSGT
 - Migration Tool
- **User Tools** - Open-source front-end tools for the NIEM community.
 - SSGT 2.0 functionality
 - Migration Tool functionality
- **Processes**
 - Harmonization
 - Change request
 - QA Build a release (major, minor, supplement/update)
 - Deploy NIEM tools
 - Build a NIEM specification
- **Subdomain Management** - Transfer files and management of the following niem.gov subdomains. Management functions include hosting management, updating certificates, managing redirects, and other system admin functions.
 - release.niem.gov - Contains release artifacts that are also available on the GitHub NIEM-Releases repo, but schema URIs resolve here (via redirects)
 - reference.niem.gov
 - [guidance](#) - Old information, archive candidates
 - [resource](#) - Old information. archive candidates
 - [specification](#) - Contains NIEM specifications, conformance target identifiers and other links resolve here
 - publication.niem.gov - Contains domain updates and Core supplements
 - tools.niem.gov - Currently hosts SSGT and ConTesA
 - beta.movement.niem.gov - The source code for Movement is already open source and available on GitHub
- **Mailing Lists**
- **Miscellaneous**
 - NIEM OASIS specification generator
 - NIEM GitHub Sites
 - GENC codes parser - Schematron to extract GENC codes to update NIEM releases
 - NIEM GML profile generator - XSLT to subset the full GML external standard for the NIEM release
 - NCCT issue export - Export issues from the old Bugzilla issue tracker (NIEM Configuration Control Tool) used prior to the GitHub issue trackers

PHYSICALLY TRANSFER NIEM CAPITAL/ EQUITIES TO OASIS (NMO)

- Specifications for all NIEM releases
 - Naming and Design Rules (NDR)
 - JavaScript Object Notation (JSON)
 - Code Lists Specifications
 - Conformance Targets Attribute Specification v3.0
 - Information Exchange Package Documentation (IEPD) Specification
 - Conformance Specification
- Metamodel
- Model
- Source Code
- Release 5.2
- Release 6.0
- User Tools
 - The Common Model Format (CMF)
 - MEP Builder Tool
- R2 Open
- Training (Active and Archive Material)
- Documentation Archive Files



NIEM 5.2 MINOR RELEASE (2022)

- Minor releases include updates to domains and code sets
- Check release status at <https://niem.github.io/niem-releases/>

	Phase	NIEM
●	Alpha 1	AUG 2022
●	Beta 1	OCT 2022
●	RC 1	NOV 2022
○	Release	Dec 2022

- **Biometrics** – Additional DNA encoding content
- **Cyber** – New Cyber Physical System (CPS) and ransomware content
- **Learning and Development** (*new*) – New content for courses, course sections, students, and employment positions
- **Justice**
 - Updated National Crime Information Center (NCIC) code sets
 - Updated Model Minimum Uniform Crash Criteria (MMUCC) code sets
- **Military Operations**
 - New Minimum Essential Metadata (MEM) content – resource descriptions, safeguarding and sharing information
 - New USMTF (US Message Text Format) content – military operations, missions, resources, readiness, and training
- **General code set updates**

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NIEM 6.0 MAJOR RELEASE (2023)

- Major releases include updates to Core, domains, and code sets, and the architecture

Content Updates

- **International Human Services** (*new*)
- **Military Operations** – Add additional USMTF content
- Additional content changes for domains
- The **Harmonization Working Group** will review and harmonize content across Core and the domains
- Merge complex and simple code types
- Simplify how metadata is defined and used
- Standardize representation of adapters
- Potentially simplify the representation of roles²¹ in the model

Specification updates

- Naming and Design Rules (NDR)
- Message Specification Guidelines
- Update others to meet OASIS requirements

Tool updates

- **SSGT** – New content and 6.0 architecture changes
- **Migration Tool** – New migration from 5.2 to 6.0 subsets
- **Conformance Tool** – Validate schema conformance against updated NDR rules
- **NIEM API** – Support new content, architecture, backend model and release management capabilities