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Metaverse Standards Forum: Oversight
Wednesday, 25 January 2023 from 21:00-22:30 EST (02:00-03:30 UTC)

Agenda:
Outreach Group

- Events and Speaker Lists

Domain Group Pipeline Updates

- Heads up – 3D Asset Interoperability Charter nearing completion
- Standards Register Working Group Update
- Technical Interoperability and Troubleshooting proposal discussion

Incorporation Update

- Member agreement and Bylaws first draft
- Dues Survey Results
- Financial What-ifs

Need for Forum Ethics Exploratory Group?

- Mohsen Rezayat, Siemens

Feedback on Discord

- User feedback?
- Any issues with access in outside US?

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Proposal for an Ethics in the Metaverse working group?
Feasibility_Ethical_Standard_MSF.pdf

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3D Asset Interoperability Exploratory Group met today and voted to forward their Charter for Oversight Approval
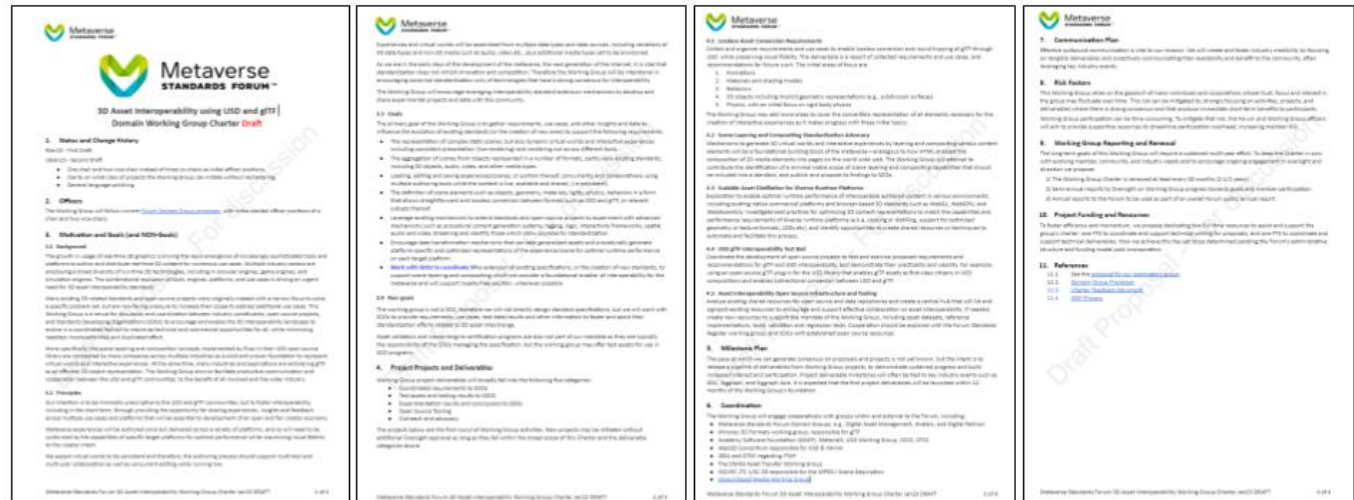
- Vote to approve Charter will be at Oversight number 12 meeting in two weeks
- Please review and comment in the Google Doc

[3D Asset Interoperability using USD and glTF - Charter](#)

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Technical Interoperability and Troubleshooting Domain Exploratory Group Proposal

To help coordinate standards bodies identify and build tools to be built-in to various components to enable troubleshooting in case of errors, identifying the source.

Using the Carousel Use Case Scenario:
A user is using the Meta metaverse over their cellular data connection / Wi-Fi / Hotspot and they are having problems with their avatar showing up properly, or with their audio (sending or receiving)

Helping a user determine where is a problem?

- Meta's metaverse?
- VR goggles?
- Headset/bluetooth audio?
- Avatar repository or other 3rd party avatar tool being used for cross network consistency?
- Mobile phone / operating system?
- Carrier network?
- Long haul network (between carriers/countries)?

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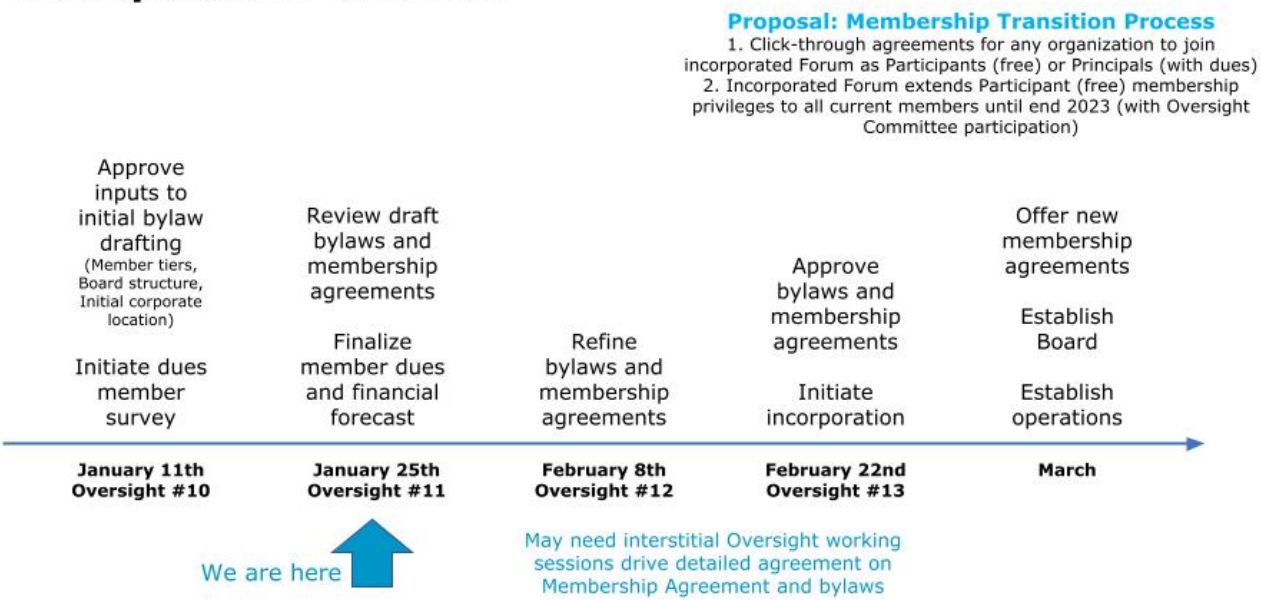**funksoup** on Jan 25   (Maintainer) (Author)   edited ▾

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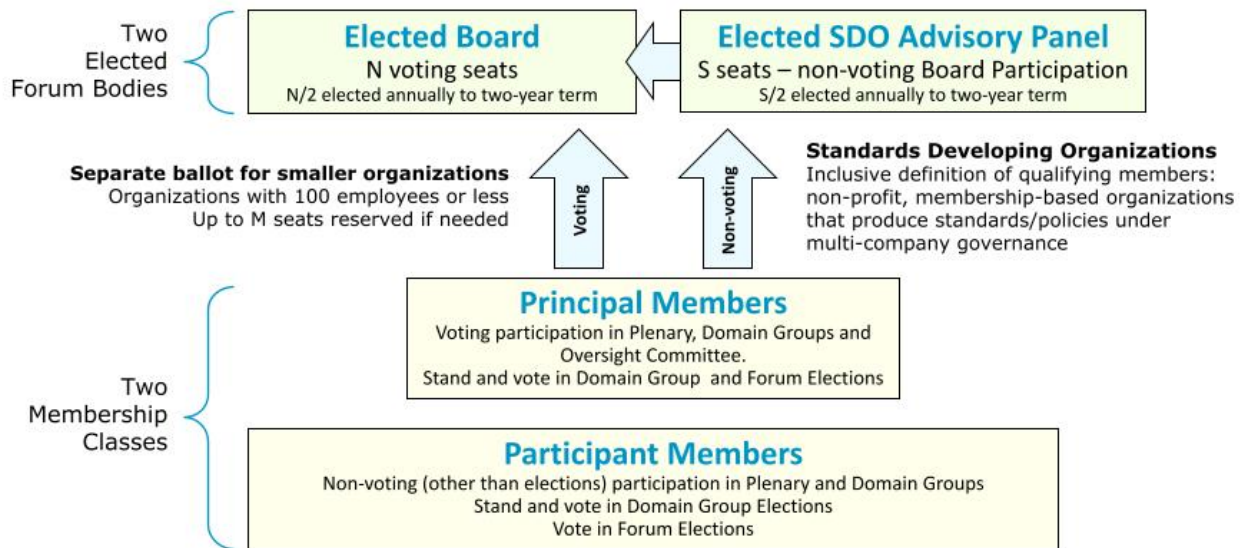
Incorporation Timeline

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Approve inputs to initial bylaw drafting
(Member tiers, Board structure, Initial corporate location)

Initiate dues member survey

Review draft bylaws and membership agreements

Finalize member dues and financial forecast

Refine bylaws and membership agreements

Approve bylaws and membership agreements

Initiate incorporation

Offer new membership agreements

Establish Board

Establish operations

January 11th Oversight #10

January 25th Oversight #11

February 8th Oversight #12

February 22nd Oversight #13

March

We are here

May need interstitial Oversight working sessions drive detailed agreement on Membership Agreement and bylaws

Proposed Membership Tiers After Incorporation

	Role Before Incorporation	Role After Incorporation	Annual Dues	Eligibility
Elected Board		Corporate fiduciary and legal oversight. Set strategic goals and direction	*Increased dues while serving on the Board?*	Principals that are elected to the Board and pay dues
Elected SDO Advisory Panel		Advisory role to the Board	No additional dues	Principals that are SDOs and elected to the Board
Principal Members	*As Participant – PLUS* Voting participation in Plenary, Domain Groups and Oversight Committee to oversee Domain Group pipeline and processes	*As before - PLUS* Stand and vote in Forum Elections to Board and SDO AP	Yes *Scaled on organization size?*	Any organization that pays Annual dues *$0 for non-profit SDOs?*
Participant Members	Non-voting (other than elections) participation in Plenary and Domain Groups. Stand and vote for Domain Group Elections	*As before - PLUS* Vote in Forum Elections to Board and SDO AP	No	Any organization

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Proposed Forum Membership Structure

Two Elected Forum Bodies

Elected Board
N voting seats
N/2 elected annually to two-year term

Elected SDO Advisory Panel
S seats – non-voting Board Participation
S/2 elected annually to two-year term

Separate ballot for smaller organizations
Organizations with 100 employees or less
Up to M seats reserved if needed

Voting

Non-voting

Standards Developing Organizations
Inclusive definition of qualifying members:
non-profit, membership-based organizations
that produce standards/policies under
multi-company governance

Principal Members
Voting participation in Plenary, Domain Groups and Oversight Committee.
Stand and vote in Domain Group and Forum Elections

Two Membership Classes

Participant Members
Non-voting (other than elections) participation in Plenary and Domain Groups
Stand and vote in Domain Group Elections
Vote in Forum Elections

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Membership Agreement and Bylaws
Draft Under Construction

- Still a draft under construction
  - NOT ready for legal review for a few more days
  - But high-level comments welcome in the Google Doc
  - Will incorporate any feedback from today's meeting and dues survey
- Member Agreement and Bylaws will be separate documents
  - Currently in one Google Doc just for drafting convenience
- Drafting Principles
  - Retain as much consistency between new and existing Member Agreements as possible
  - Two membership classes Participant and Principal – Board and SDO Advisory Panel elected from membership
  - Keep Bylaws as simple as possible (while meeting legal requirements) – lift details into Policy Documents

Will notify Oversight List when Agreement and Bylaws are ready for legal review before Oversight #12

Membership Agreement → Refers To → Bylaws → Refers To →

Policy Documents
Membership Class Rights
Election Processes
Domain Group Processes
SDO Panel Processes
Etc.

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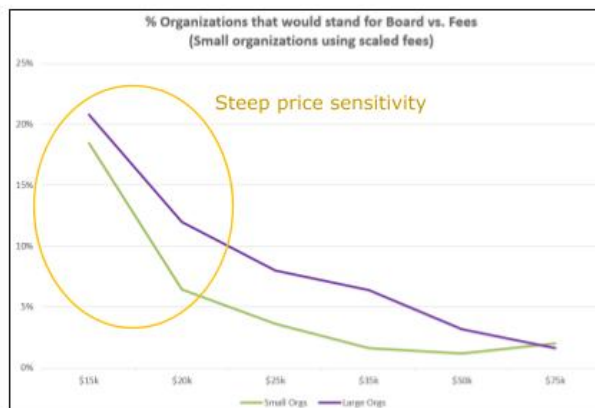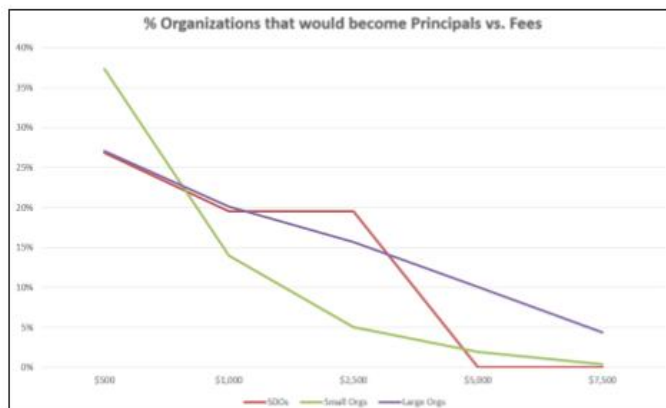
Dues Survey Analysis

338 respondents

- 91 'large' companies (>100 employees)
- 219 'small' companies (>100 employees)
- 28 SDOs

There was extensive discussion around how to evaluate whether a nonprofit or SDO would be eligible to be exempt from paying dues. I (Josephine) suggested that one of the criteria might be to look at how much impact the nonprofit/SDO has had on the community and/or industry at large, and put forth OMI as a perfect example of this: OMI's current research and work in avatar interoperability, 3D asset and wearables interoperability and more, contribute to creating an infrastructure that make decisions around standards possible (this was also discussed at OMI's weekly meeting today). There was resounding agreement that this was a good example of the type of community contribution that would warrant exemption from dues-paying. There will be follow-up conversation about creation of criteria. I'll be included in the email thread to continue that conversation and am happy to pass along the info/discussion.

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Financial Projection What-ifs – Scaled Participant Dues

- Retain $0 Participants membership class
- Scaled Participants fee for *all* other members
  - Higher cap for larger companies
  - No additional fee if elected to the Board
- Multiple potential advantages
  - Spreads financial load and influence more widely
  - All dues avoid steep part of price sensitivity curve
  - Decouple dues collection from election timing
- Of 2,223 members - 1,569 have active Portal signons

Scaled Participant Dues		
$15,000	Ceiling	
$500	Floor	
$2,500	Average	
2,200	# Active Members	
12	%	264
$660,000	Revenue	

Scaled Participant Dues		
$10,000	Ceiling	
$1,000	Floor	
$3,000	Average	
2,200	# Active Members	
15	%	330
$990,000	Revenue	

Scaled Participant Dues		
$10,000	Ceiling	
$1,000	Floor	
$4,000	Average	
2,200	# Active Members	
15	%	330
$1,320,000	Revenue	

Scaled Participant Dues		
$15,000	Ceiling	
$1,000	Floor	
$5,000	Average	
2,200	# Active Members	
15	%	330
$1,650,000	Revenue	

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