



QGIS PSC Meeting 14th September 2021

Present

- Marco
- Paolo
- Andreas
- Jürgen
- Alessandro

Excused:

- Anita

Chair: Marco

Secretary: -

Video / Audio Channel

<https://meet.jit.si/QGIS-PSC>

Previous meeting minutes

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EpME-TcY6rDYpsBajK-UQIBG4ctA_b8KQffdtiLFMY/edit?usp=sharing

Next meetings

See calendar

17:00 -18:30

Tickets

<https://github.com/qgis/PSC/issues/>

Past resolutions in

https://github.com/qgis/QGIS-Website/blob/master/source/site/getinvolved/governance/resolutions/2020_resolutions.rst

Agenda

Anita: Imasgal | QGIS CERTIFICATION (mail from Hans to PSC cc Kurt)

-> OK

For acceptance of new course providers PSC only needs to be contacted if QGIS user group doesn't recommend acceptance, in case of controversy. Otherwise a brief info-mail to PSC will do just fine.

Marco:

- **Website work -> Anniina Kovaleinen**
 - Annina is a GISPO employee (Finland) and volunteers, GIsPO gives them 1 day per month to work on OSS.
 - She might invest more personal time
 - There is also a budget reserved that could/should be used to accelerate this.

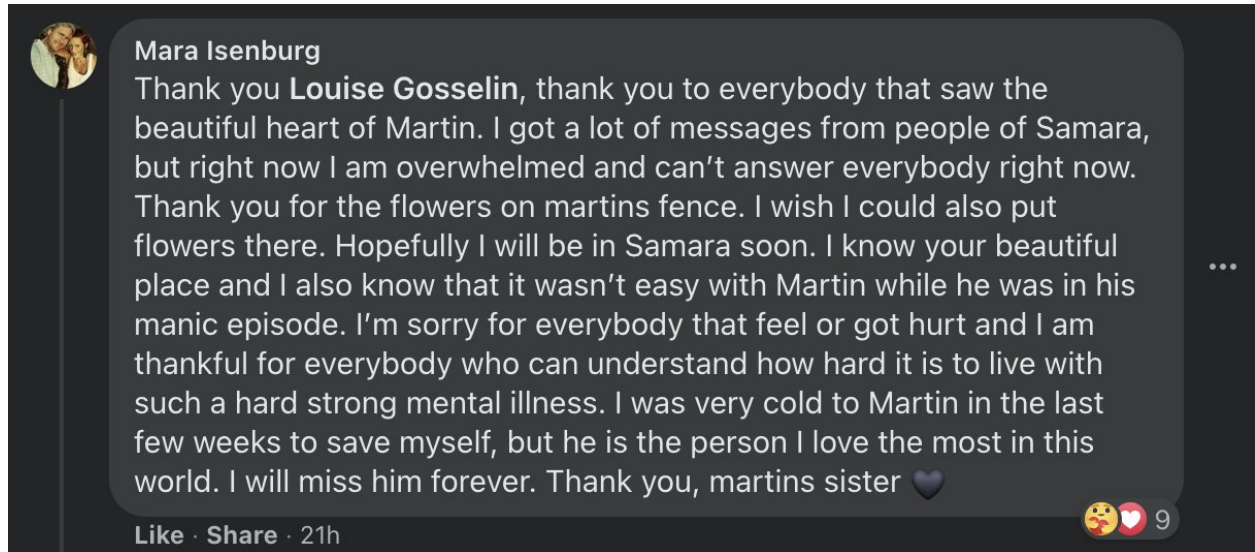
- **AGM**
 - @marco needs to send the text
 - Andreas Voigt and Andreas Vonlaufen volunteer again as financial auditors
- **Asking Mathieu** to join the paid bug fixing program
 - Andreas: +1
 - Alessandro: +1
 - Marco: +1
 - Jürgen: +1
 - Paolo +1
 - Anita +1

- **Curly braces**
 - No rule is necessary
- **Passwords**
 - Marco send keyfile to Andreas

Paolo:

- **Note about Martin Isenburg?**
 - Marco will contact Howard Butler to prepare a text for the blog -> done

<https://rapidlasso.com/2021/09/11/a-tragic-end-to-a-beautiful-love/>



Nyall: how to deal with Qt6 and fixes in Qt 5.15.x

Jürgen: suggestion is to watch what KDE/Debian is doing and follow the same version on OSGeo4W.

Should we continue to contract with KDAB to get fixes into Qt 5.15.x? Unknown if Debian will apply these patches. Fedora/Redhat already apply these patches.

Debian doesn't seem to have maintainers yet for Qt6.

TODO: alessandro@qgis.org to reply to Nyall.

Old agenda

Anita: FOSS4G 2021 Community Sprint on Saturday October 2nd, 2021

https://wiki.osgeo.org/wiki/FOSS4G_2021/Community_sprint

Should we sign up?

TODO Anita: forward invitation to community list to see if somebody picks it up

Update Sept: Nobody picked it up

TODO: start AGM, same as last year, without budget and grant proposal votings.

QGIS.ORG AGM 2021

In progress: [QGIS AGM invitation 2021](#)

TODO Marco: ask for matters arising with deadline by Sept 13th

Planned date: finish voting by 26.09.21

TODO Andreas: ask auditors if they are willing to do it again next year

Marco: check if revised PSC voting procedure needs to be voted on by AGM -> Yes it does

Open issue: <https://github.com/qgis/PSC/issues/39>

[Charter of the QGIS.ORG Association](#)

7.1 Election of board members¶¶

Board members shall also be members of the PSC and shall be nominated and elected by the general meeting. In an election of board members, the nominee receiving the greatest number of votes for each position (chair, vice chair, treasurer) shall be appointed.8.1 Election of PSC members

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“The votes shall be weighted based on the number of PSC positions being voted for. For example if three PSC positions are available, each first choice vote shall be worth 3 points, second point vote 2 points and so on. PSC memberships shall be awarded on the total weighted score of the vote, with the nominee receiving the greatest score being awarded PSC membership first and so on in descending order of score of votes received until all PSC memberships have been allocated.”

- Voting results from last round:

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1DZzHuNjV13yhWMjNrC8bxq2R9LEu6iBU79Ibixu5uw/edit#gid=25756644>

- History:

<http://osgeo-org.1560.x6.nabble.com/AGM-processing-the-voting-results-td5436667.html#a5436701>

TODO Marco: Ask for input on the voting process prior to the AGM

Marco send matter arising options:

- Remove weighting
- 2 rounds of votes (first PSC only, second round: board)
- Community votes PSC members and the PSC votes the board

Tax declaration

Tax declaration has to be done by end of September (only requires audit)

TODO: Andreas

OSM:

We are waiting for Paul

Marco: Website licensing

Python Cookbook doesn't have a clear license -> no complaints
TODO Alessandro: update website accordingly

Marco: Github sponsoring form (taxes)

TODO Marco & Andreas after the address is update in the trade registry -> waiting to change the association address

Marco: next release names

Poland and Havard on track

TODO Anita: get in touch with orienteering group / Harvard's wife for map

Andreas: Approaching larger sponsors who support FOSS4G

TODO Marco: try to identify promising contacts and reach out to them as chair

Marco: New address

TODO Andreas: update trade registry
Via Geinas 2
7031 Laax

Anita: Privacy

1. **QGIS application:** [QGIS Desktop Application Network Connections](#)
 - a. TODO Anita + Alessandro: review current list and feedback from developers
 - b. TODO Anita: publish on the website in the "for users" section
<https://qgis.org/en/site/forusers/index.html>
2. **Answering outstanding email requests:**
 - a. TODO Anita: answer the two outstanding requests
3. **Websites (qgis.org, plugins, projecta):**
 - QGIS.org - zero cookies
 - Donate.qgis.org - one cookie with info
 - Plugins.qgis.org - still TODO
 - Changelog.qgis.org - still TODO

Andreas: QGIS Enhancement: Turning Plugin Management into Actual Package Management

Sebastian E. Ernst wants to move on with this currently stalled proposal. He wants to revive the discussion and decide on how to move forward

See [Turning Plugin Management into Actual Package Management · Issue #179 · qgis/QGIS-Enhancement-Proposals](#)

Main reason: technical challenges, as discussed also in this year's grant proposal [PIP dependencies for Python plugins · Issue #202 · qgis/QGIS-Enhancement-Proposals](#)

Gatekeepers, Community roles draft

TODO Marco: still ongoing at [here](#)

Call for reviewers

- Suggestion from Martin D.
<https://lists.osgeo.org/pipermail/qgis-developer/2021-May/063568.html>
- Alessandro suggests that we need a clearer process for handling backports
- General agreement to increase the available budget (current budget: €10k)

→ Fundraising!?

- **TODO Marco:** follow-up on Google 10 most important C++ projects
- **TODO Anita:** Add note to 2022 call for grant proposal to factor in reviewing costs
- **TODO Anita:** Next year, communicate to proposal authors that they have to write the summaries

Contact information on our website

TODO Andreas: add certification@qgis.org, board@qgis.org and security@qgis.org to the website

Andreas: [2y LTR \(QEP\)](#)

Open question #1: will we have overlapping LTRs, i.e. one LTR per year? Or only one LTR every second year? → No overlaps are preferred since it's less work for the project and less confusing for the users (i.e. there are not two LTRs at the same time)

Open question #2: do we need to manage "stable libraries"? → Let's try without.

Tim: "Young staff." Tim suggests reserving 20-30k € (annual salary) for a person in a less-developed country that could work on bugfixing, maintenance, documentation, ... Could be proxied/employed f.e. through Kartoza.

- Alessandro suggests picking only people who are already contributing on a voluntary basis to the project and are not motivated by money only - at least for development and bug-fixing work. For infrastructure work it is different - it is the boring work that people don't tend to do on a voluntary basis.
- Marco suggests focusing paid staff on working on project-related tasks that are not directly related to QGIS Desktop/Server.
- Anita suggests identifying tasks that could be done by such a paid staff and then discussing this suggestion with the community → **TODO Tim** to create a shortlist and post it to PSC list
- **TODO:** follow-up vision meeting → [Goals of QGIS](#)

Tim: Blacklisting plugins that crash QGIS

TODO Tim: draft the process and discuss it with dev list / QEP

Voting platform

- Old discussion never concluded
- We have an non centralised solution that is hard to track:
 - Google forms for community votes are hard to follow and take time to create
 - ML discussion on votes is nearly nonexistent
- Resolutions copying to website is neglected (last copy in June by Anita)
- Marco: re-suggest centralising all voting to a single **loomio** instance

Conclusion: create PDFs of the Google Docs to put on the wiki (if possible) or the website →
Tim will ask someone from Kartoza