APTLD Singapore – July 2005

Board Meeting – 7 July 2005, 2.00pm

Present: Peter Dengate Thrush (.nz), Yumi Ohashi (.jp),

Holding Proxies: Peter Dengate Thrush (for Chris Disspain,.au),
Ian Chiang (for Ai-Chin Lu, .tw), Stafford Guest
( for Richard St. Clair, .nu), Ramesh Kumar Nadarajah ( for Shariya Zulfikar, .my).

Apologies: Chanki Park (.kr), Hulin Qian (.cn).

1. General Manager

Chair/.my (Ramesh Kumar Nadarajah)

Whereas APTLD first considered the idea of employing a General
Manager at its meeting in Perth in November 2004 (item 1.7); and
Whereas APTLD members meeting in Kyoto in February 2005 endorsed (item 3) the further investigation and specification of the objectives for a General Manager, and agreed that serious consideration should be given to proceeding with such an appointment; and

Whereas APTLD members meeting in Singapore on 6 and 7 July unanimously resolved the following:

  THAT the members present at the APTLD Meeting in Singapore recommend the employment of a General Manager on the terms and conditions set out in the papers presented and amended, and recommend this to the rest of the membership of APTLD;

and

Noting that the future development of the Asia Pacific Top Level Domains Association will be greatly aided by the employment of a General Manager;

the Board of APTLD hereby resolves:
THAT the job description, pay and conditions and funding mechanism for a General Manager be as agreed at the Singapore Members’ Meeting (as detailed in the revised paper for the "Job Description" and in the "Funding Mechanism" paper developed at the meeting);

THAT the term of appointment be for two years, with the prospect of renewal for a further year;

THAT this proposal, for the employment of a General Manager, be submitted to all APTLD members for electronic agreement as soon as can be arranged;

THAT, should the decision of the members be in favour of employing a General Manager, the Secretariat shall prepare an advertisement for the position, for agreement by the Board, and this will then be circulated to Members with a request that they arrange for it to be published.

THAT a Board Sub-Committee of Peter Dengate Thrush, Yumi Ohashi, and Ai-Chin Lu be formed to shortlist and then interview applicants for the position, and subsequently recommend to the Board the best candidate;
THAT the Board Sub-Committee be authorised to travel to a meeting at the most suitable location in the region, to interview candidates who have been shortlisted; and

THAT the Sub-Committee provide a preliminary report to the Board as to progress by 1 September 2005.

Carried U

2. Accreditation for WSIS PrepCom 3

Ramesh Kumar Nadarajah (.my)/ Stafford Guest (.nu)

THAT the Board instruct the Secretariat to apply for accreditation of APTLD at the WSIS PrepCom meetings, in order to allow any comments or submissions from APTLD on the matters discussed there to be heard.

Carried U

3. Auditors Reports for 2004 and the Secretariat handover

Stafford Guest (.nu)/ Ramesh Kumar Nadarajah (.my)
THAT the Audit Report and Financial Statements for the years ended 31 December 2004 and 2003, produced by Deloitte, be received by the Board.

Carried U

Stafford Guest (.nu)/ Ramesh Kumar Nadarajah (.my)

THAT the Audit Report and Financial Statements for the period from January 1, 2005 through March 18, 2005 and the Year Ended December 31 2004, produced by Deloitte, be received by the Board.

Carried U

4. IDN Committee

Yumi Ohashi (.jp), Peter Dengate Thrush (.nz)

THAT the Board form an IDN Committee, to be chaired by Ai-chin Lu, and invite involvement from APTLD members, with the purposes of the Committee being:

1) to facilitate the sharing of information and technical assistance on IDNs among APTLD members and interested parties, and
2) to facilitate the preparation of an APTLD position in relation to ICANN’s pending review of the IDN guidelines.

Carried U

Note: a list to be formed idn-com@aptld.org, and the committee asked to form a charter for its activities.

5. ccNSO Representative from APTLD

Chair/Stafford Guest (.nu)

THAT the appointment of a Representative from APTLD to the ccNSO Council be deferred, pending the appointment of an APTLD General Manager.

Carried U

6. Associate Members
Ramesh Kumar Nadarajah (.my), Ian Chiang(.tw)

THAT the Constitutional Committee be asked to examine the rights, responsibilities and powers inherent in the category of Associate Membership of APTLD, and provide a report on this to the next Members’ meeting of APTLD

Carried U

Yumi Ohashi (.jp), Peter Dengate Thrush (.au)

WHEREAS Article 8.4 of the APTLD Constitution contemplates that the Board will set an annual subscription fee for Associate Members, the Board hereby sets the annual membership fee for Associate Members of APTLD at USD 2,000.

Carried U

7. Meeting Committee

Stafford Guest (.nu) / Ramesh Kumar Nadarajah (.my)

THAT the Meetings Committee be asked to consider the meeting cycle for 2006, with particular emphasis on the number of Members’ Meetings, and provide a report on this to the next Members’ meeting of APTLD.

Carried U
Note – last meeting of the year has a strategic focus, looking at the APTLD Strategic Plan, an Operational Plan, a Budget and the meeting schedule.

Note for Secretariat – propagate this to all Committees, reminding them of said focus.

8. ccTLD Manager/DNS Training

THAT the Board notes the desire of APTLD members to institute training for ccTLD managers, and DNS training, intending to:

a) develop a range of training courses providing for different levels of skill and experience; and

b) provide for such courses to occur at a venue which will remain stable over time, to allow the development of expertise among teachers of the courses.

9. Thanking the Hosts
THAT the Board express APTLD’s sincere thanks to the staff of SGNIC, for their excellent organisation of and hospitality during the APTLD Meeting in Singapore, July 2005.

Carried with Acclamation

The meeting closed at 3.07pm.

Signed as a true and correct record:

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Peter Dengate Thrush, .nz, CHAIR