HL7 Board of Directors Meeting
Monday, March 19, 2018
Noon ET

Board Member Participants: Calvin Beebe; Russ Leftwich, MD; Hans Buitendijk; Jennifer Covich Bordenick; Austin Kreisler; Frank Oemig, PhD; Nancy Orvis; Melva Peters; Line Saele; Mary Ann Slack; Andrew Truscott

HL7 Staff Member Participants: Charles Jaffe, MD, PhD; Wayne Kubick; Mark McDougall; Karen Van Hentenryck

Agenda

1. **Welcome, establish quorum and agenda review** –Beebe called the meeting to order at 12:06 pm ET.

2. **Approval of the consent agenda –** Beebe
   a) Minutes from the January 31 Board meeting (Reference: BoDMinutes 20180131.docx)
   b) CEO report (Reference: CEO Report to the Board of Directors.19Mar18.docx)
   c) CTO report (Reference: CTOReport_BOD_20180215.docx)
   d) <u>MOTION</u> from the Affiliate Due Diligence Committee: To approve the formation of HL7 Ukraine (they received the required 2/3 affirmative votes by the Affiliate Chairs)
   e) Approval of updated IEEE SOU (Reference: HL7 IEEE SOU 2018.docx)
   f) Approval of updated Regenstrief SOU (Reference: SOU HL7 and Regenstrief 2018.docx)
   g) Approval of updated WEDI SOU (Reference: WEDI HL7 SOU 2018.docx)

   <u>MOTION by the EC</u>: To approve the consent agenda. The motion carried unanimously.

3. **HIMSS debrief** – Jaffe reported that HIMSS presented a unique opportunity and significant shift in perspective around HL7 FHIR. From Google's kickoff presentation to the announcements through the week, people have stopped talking about where FHIR is on the Gartner hype cycle and accepting it as that standard for interoperability. One of our strategic goals is to link HL7 to FHIR. There were key announcements from the community during HIMSS. Even groups that were not well aligned with HL7 in the past have stepped forward to participate. Kubick agreed with Jaffe on all points above. VA Lighthouse Open API pledge was a highlight for him. Many major hospitals/healthcare systems have pledged to support open APIs via the Argonaut Project specifications based on FHIR APIs. Truscott noted that the pledge is also filtering down to the providers they work with. Buitendijk noted that people claim conformance to FHIR without knowing what that means. A key focus of the organization going forward should be how to be conformant via IGs, etc. Oemig noted we are making progress on conformance but we are not there yet. One or two more years and he feels we will have this by documenting how they are conformant.

4. **Da Vinci project update** – Jaffe reported that the Da Vinci Steering Committee has taken the reigns of the project. They met at HIMSS and have been very successful in terms of raising funds. They have agreed to reimburse HL7 HQ for supporting the project. To that end

we are developing an SOU to be signed by the organizations that are paying to be part of this initiatives. The EC is working on final updates to a couple of exhibits at the end of the SOU regarding services provided, etc. Jaffe would like a motion from the board that allows the EC to approve the SOU without a vote from the Board. The reason for this request is timeliness. The Da Vinci members are anxious to get the SOUs signed. **MOTION** by Beebe: To allow the EC to approve the final version of the SOU; seconded by Leftwich. Orvis questioned whether it needs to move more quickly than the week it would take get through the decision-making process. Jaffe and Beebe confirmed that Da Vinci members are getting anxious to get the document signed. Orvis asked how other folks who wish to join the Da Vinci project will do so. Jaffe responded that his understanding is that this is an open project. They have a steering and operating committee. Joining will be handled via the Da Vinci project manager, perhaps through the website. Kreisler noticed that Da Vinci is not a legal entity, which Jaffe confirmed. HL7 will have a contract with the Da Vinci Project manager. Buitendijk clarified that that the SOU is between HL7 and the paying members of Da Vinci. Kreisler noted there is no language that prevents them from circumventing HL7 balloting processes. Would the US Realm Steering Division be involved? Beebe confirmed that we would follow our regular balloting processing, including seeking approval of the US Realm Task Force should that be a requirement. Beebe reminded the group that this is a large project that includes significant funding. He thanked Jaffe for his hard work on this. The motion carried unanimously.

The call adjourned at 12:31 pm ET

Proposed schedule of upcoming Board calls:
- Monday April 9 at Noon ET
- Tuesday, May 15 at 12:30 pm, Cologne, Germany
- Monday, June 4 at Noon ET
- July 25 – 26 – HL7 Retreat, Cheyenne Mountain Resort, Colorado Springs
- Monday, September 10 at Noon ET
- Tuesday, October 2 at 12:30, Baltimore, MD
- Monday, November 5 at Noon ET
- Monday, December 3 at Noon ET