

TechNet Australia Working Group meeting

12:00 noon AEST (UTC+10h), Friday 8th April 2022 : Zoom teleconference

Present: Mark Hayne (MH), Jennie Nelson (JN), Vanessa Glen (VG), , Karen Teague (KT), Virginia Klomp (VK)

Guests: Nil

Apologies: Prasanth Subramani (PS)

Absent: Vanessa Valenzuela Davie (VD).

1. Welcome & introductions

- Meeting opened 12:05pm AEST.
- JN informed she would leave early due to conflicting commitment.

2. Status of Actions from 11th Feb 2022

- Following email survey, VG setup monthly meetings for 2nd Friday at 12:00 AEST
- VG created draft email for MH to inform TNA of 2022 AGM
- MH & VG - TNA formalisation discussion paper (ACTION - ongoing)

3. 2022 Events

- MH informed that Ann Bohte from Monash has executive approval to host the 2022 TNA conference, (so long as they don't lose money). Precise dates and costs etc YTBD.
- KT confirmed that TechNetSA will be running its annual forum in July.
- General discussion of issues around declaring annual conference so late in the year:
 - i. Pandemic affects on attendance and funding.
 - ii. MH canvased interest in running other regional TechNet-lites in Qld and NSW.
 - iii. JN suggested that running regionals would reduce attendance at the national event.
 - iv. Consensus to defer regional 2022 TNA events other than mid-year SA event.
 - v. All offered to help the Monash organisers in whatever
- ACTION: MH to invite Ann Bohte and Pamu Kularathna from Monash as guest committee members for 2022.
- ACTION: MH to advertise Monash conference via Google Group as soon as basic details known.
- ACTION: MH et al to provide potential and past exhibitors list to Monash asap for marketing.

4. Formalisation

- ACTION: MH and VG to progress discussion paper but national conference and AGM are the immediate priorities

5. Announcements & Other Business:

- MH and VG outlined their Zoom discussions with Margaret Faedo from USyd re their intention to develop and implement a USyd version of The Technician Commitment from the UK.
 - i. VK discussed some of the concerns and reasoning behind USyd's efforts
 - ii. Broad discussion by all followed.
- MH paid for TNA domain registration for 12 months.

6. Next meeting & meeting close

Next meeting scheduled for 12:00 noon AEST (UTC+10h), **Friday 13th May 2022.**

Meeting closed 1:00 AEST.