

# 2017-11-21 - Fedora Leadership Group Meeting

## Time/Place

- Time: 11:30am Eastern Standard Time US (UTC-5)
- Dial-in Number: (712) 775-7035
  - Participant Code: 479307#
  - International numbers: [Conference Call Information](#)

## Attendees

- ~~Chris Awre~~
- Robert Cartolano
- Aaron Choate
- Sayeed Choudhury
- Stefano Cossu
- Tom Cramer
- ~~Joanna DiPasquale~~
- ~~Jon Dunn~~
- Karen Estlund
- Declan Fleming
- Maude Francis
- Mike Giarlo
- ~~Neil Jefferies~~
- Debra Kurtz
- ~~Susan Lafferty~~
- Steve Marks
- Rosalyn Metz
- Tom Murphy
- Este Pope ★
- Nick Ruest
- ~~Robin Ruggaber~~
- Tim Shearer
- Jon Stroop
- Jennifer Vinopal
- Evviva Weinraub (and Carolyn Caizzi, as Evviva's alternate)
- Jared Whiklo
- David Wilcox
- Andrew Woods
- Maurice York

## Agenda

Topic	Lead
<a href="#">Fedora and Samvera Dinner Notes</a>	Stefano
<a href="#">Graph — Notes</a>	
<a href="#">CNI Fedora Leaders Meeting Agenda</a>	David
DuraSpace Cross-organizational Changes	Andrew/David
<a href="#">OR2018 Conference Proposals</a>	David
Roundtable	All

## Previous Actions

## Minutes

1. Fedora and Samvera Dinner Notes
  - a. Dinner during Samvera Connect - several conversations - captured in notes
  - b. See: [Fedora and Samvera Dinner Notes](#) [Graph — Notes](#)

- c. ~~Connection issues - will table discussion for later~~
- d. Venn diagram - display of objects is key thing we need for users and is missing
- e. Stefano would like to make an editable version of the Venn Diagram
- f. Features ideas discussed - interface to show where object is (example), (Rosie, Declan, Eviva) will look into preparing document with some ideas to share with the group
- g. Concern about Fedora not getting in the way (and it will be good to elaborate on this)
- h. Fragmentation of the Fedora communities - something to tackle (between Samvera, Islandora, other clients)
- i. What was the tenor of the discussion? A desire for working together, not fragmentation - how to continue working together - would be beneficial to have conversation at Open Repositories about this
- j. Topics in notes - some aspirational, some are current, in Fedora/Samvera
- k. Leadership discussion topic - noting various lines of potential fragmentation, directions of various related communities and position (if anything) of messaging to the community
- l. Driving principles/ideas - zoomed out from Venn diagram. One: what is something to work around, and what is essential in a robust digital repository. Something we need to discuss at CNI - not clarity on all the services Fedora provides - clarification will help in larger library community.
- m. Can we zoom out and include other clients/communities in the Venn diagram? Can we improve our net investment to get a better view of the broad needs of the various stakeholders for Fedora. Many Islandora members still using Fedora 3 - having a tool in front of them is most critical (putting resources to CLAW, for example). Islandora folks aren't really using Fedora 4 so aren't speaking to what ideas /concerns are, whereas Samvera community actively using Fedora 4 has much more to say.
- n. **Takeaway:** have this as an agenda item on the Fedora Leaders meeting at CNI in December. Share completed documentation before the December meeting.
- o. **Action item for Stefano:** transfer Venn diagram to Google Drawing.
- 2. CNI Fedora Leaders Meeting Agenda
  - a. **Agenda** - any additions/changes?
  - b. State of the technology - can this go beyond a state, to what are the important questions we need to answer - using time to work together rather than just reporting.
  - c. Possibility of adjusting order of Agenda - where to place Mission/Vision conversation for most impact, especially for new people
  - d. Onboarding process/how new leaders can get up to speed to be prepared for participation - would be interested in feedback from new leaders
  - e. How to ensure we have enough time to talk about Mission/Vision - we need to avoid letting other agenda items prevent finishing this conversation. Better to front-load the vision conversation first as it will impact further agenda items (Budget, Membership, etc.)
  - f. **Action item:** fleshing out Agenda Item 1 - Mission/Vision/Staffing in advance of meeting - Mission/Vision group do before CNI (group meets twice before CNI)
  - g. **Action item:** Agenda Items 2-6 - report out in advance of meeting, come prepared with feedback, to allow for more focus on Agenda Item 1
    - i. Include concrete questions for the group (in addition to updates)
  - h. Phone call pre-meeting for new members to help get up to speed (Thanks Karen)
- 3. DuraSpace Cross-organizational Changes
  - a. Projects across DuraSpace can be more disjointed than would be preferable
    - i. Technical folks - thinking of this as a team
    - ii. Community/project management - another team
    - iii. These two teams working together more and considering DuraSpace projects more broadly
  - b. Committers - "Holiday Gathering" - how to coalesce around priorities in 2018 (today)
    - i. Define and increase community engagement
    - ii. Have rotating roles such as annual Fedora Tech lead coming from committers group
    - iii. Have conversation about how to implement such a shift
    - iv. How would technical team at DuraSpace support a Technical lead from committers group - identifying expectations
    - v. Will document internally and communicate to board (Debra will work on this)
    - vi. Practical benefit for widening circle of technical participation, and a good idea to have a technical lead amongst committers.
- 4. Open Repositories
  - a. Think about ideas and how to focus Fedora-related presentations and will discuss further at a future meeting.

## Actions

- **Stefano Cossu:** transfer Venn diagram to Google Drawing.
- **Vision & Strategy group:** Fleshing out Agenda Item 1 - Mission/Vision/Staffing in advance of meeting - Mission/Vision group do before CNI (group meets twice before CNI)
- **All:** Agenda Items 2-6 - report out in advance of meeting, come prepared with feedback, to allow for more focus on Agenda Item 1