

# ARIN Advisory Council Report

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**Chairman**



# Purpose

- \* **Work with the community on policy modification recommendations**
- \* **Periodic one-time requests for advice**
  - ▶ **Key Signing Keys Draft**

# Structure

## \* 15 members

- ▶ Elected directly by the ARIN membership
- ▶ 3 year terms, 5 seats up for re-election every year

## \* Chairperson

- ▶ Elected annually by the AC membership

## \* Vice Chairperson

- ▶ Appointed by the chair (currently Bill Darte)

# Policy Process

- \* Original policy process fairly ad-hoc**

  - ▶ Issues would occasionally fall through the cracks
- \* First formalized policy process defined a policy's flow in detail**

  - ▶ Had the consequence of 'incomplete' and/or duplicate proposals traveling too far through the process
- \* Current policy process codified the AC role**

  - ▶ AC now able to merge similar proposals, reject the proposal, or allow it to proceed through the process
  - ▶ Escape procedures

# Policy Process

## \* Board Action

- ▶ Ratify for implementation
- ▶ Refer back to the AC for further review
- ▶ Reject outright
  - ▶ Very rare

# Internal AC Procedure

## \* Discussion groups

- ▶ Each proposal assigned to a discussion group
- ▶ Each discussion group must have multiple lead people, to prevent inaction due to one person getting busy.

## \* Old issues

- ▶ Deadlocked or stagnant issues do not get to remain on the agenda indefinitely

## \* Member participation

- ▶ Members who routinely miss meetings are encouraged to either resign or not run for re-election
- ▶ Board has the authority to dismiss a member for this reason.

# ARIN Advisory Council AfriNIC Support

- \* Wishes to express full support for the formation of AfriNIC**
- \* 5 ARIN AC members are in attendance today. Those who are not here are no less committed to supporting AfriNIC**
- \* Anybody is welcome to contact the ARIN AC with questions or comments about our actions**
  - ▶ [ac@arin.net](mailto:ac@arin.net)**

# Summary

- \* Dedicated policy-crafting body**
- \* No other RIR has an advisory council**
- \* ARIN board does not create policy**

Thanks!

**Questions?**