

Community Call Nov, 2019

Agenda items are added black.

Minutes are added in blue.

Closed ACTIONS in green.

Open ACTIONS in red.

Past minutes are in the folder <https://cryptpad.fr/drive/#/2/drive/edit/uZ1UjYxICjse+XIjRxlwZXN/>

A) Attendees (right now based on past attendees - delete/add as appropriate)

- **Lars Kurth, George Dunlap, Andy Cooper, Sergey, Roger Pau Monné** (Citrix)
- **Juergen Gross, Jan Beulich** (Suse)
- **Brian Woods** (XILINX)
- Tamas K Lengyel (Intel)
- Daniel Kiper (Oracle)
- **Christopher Clark** (OpenXT Project)
- Julien Grall, **Paul Durrant** (Amazon)
- **Rich Persaud, Daniel P Smith** (OpenXT)
- **Stefano Stabellini** (Xilinx)
- **Wei Liu** (Microsoft)

Above is a list of past regular attendees. UPDATE

B.1) Actions recently resolved

ACTION: Lars to follow up by e-mail with AMD on MAINTAINERSHIP and Andy will do so in parallel

Lars has done this: in principle agreement from AMD attendees on the call, but waiting for Jon Grimm to confirm

Committed

B.2) Actions not yet resolved

ACTION: Lars to contact Doug and Wei and try and find out what is happening re CI Loop v2
Done, but Doug is currently maxed out

Am wondering whether we need a co-maintainer

Andy: Doug is trying to get a plan in place

ACTION: Daniel to send proposal/summary to the list, asking for opinions of non-present committers/maintainers - Ref F.2 from

<https://cryptpad.fr/pad/#/2/pad/edit/xwUTm6b5f5jjPTQcF9lFgkBg/>

Issue is resolved: fixed in Fedora

C) Proposed Agenda Items

C.1) Any more 4.13 coordination (Juergen)

Juergen:

Not much to tell; still waiting for OSSTEST push

Can Stefano look at Arm failures: Stefano will pick up (waiting for next run of OSSTEST)

Juergen will ping

Commit moratorium until we have RC2. Hope this will be solved soon

Lars: What is the expected release date?

Juergen: Not much pending: next week will be able to say more

Jan: we have a number of regressions and blockers for many we do not know what to do about them

Andy: several recently AMD regressions and track them more fine grained

Lars: was mainly asking because of PR planning. The current timeline falls into Thanksgiving and I would prefer to do the press release early Dec rather than clashing with Thanksgiving

Jan: Is there are clear understanding of OSSTEST issues?

Andy: No. Testing XenRT tip of staging

Juergen: last run was still missing a fix

Jan: OSSTEST capacity issues due to a tranche of security fixes

Juergen: may want to delay test runs for unmaintained older releases (4.10, ...) - 4.11 is urgent due to possible 4.11.3 release

Tracking bugs/blockers:

ACTION: Andy, Jan, Juergen: start an email to track issues

C.2) Volunteers/suggestions for Release Managers for 4.14+ / Xen and Linux maintainership

Discussion was about possibly someone from Amazon, Xilinx or OpenXT stepping up

Juergen: makes clarifications on overhead

Leading up to the release, almost no overhead

In the last 2 months you look at 1-2 days to spend the time to manage issues

Rich: was suggesting that PRs may be better than list based changes

Consensus was that tooling won't make much of a change on the Release Manager load

However it may improve the load on maintainers

Paul and Stefano to follow up internally Wei: suggests to ask on xen-devel as well@

ACTION: Lars to post on xen-devel@ (reference the xen.git doc) -

see <https://lists.xenproject.org/archives/html/xen-devel/2019-11/msg00318.html>

C.3) 4.13 Release Notes / Blog Post / Feature List - needs review (Lars)

See <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1EpigvxDzeoc1dOMFwQ9itDXY4vY7nvxPiLGcNQQmX28/edit?usp=sharing>

C.4) Backports (Stefano)

Stefano sent mail with proposal to make stable tree maintainership easier by allowing some tagging of candidate patches within commit messages

In Linux this works via the CC line

Maintainers use a magic script consuming this information

Stefano is suggesting something conceptually similar, e.g. a "backport git tag" to mark a backport request

George: thought it was reasonable

ACTION: Lars to see whether we can help document that explains the backporting process - xen.git/process

ACTION: Lars to augment patch submission guide after agreement

D) New Series / Series that need attention

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E) AOB

1. Travel and discussions

Rich Persaud, Christopher Clark & Daniel Smith will be in Cambridge Dec 10 pm & 11 am

Discussions are planned around a number of topics such as state of XSM, DomB proposal as a secure means to start an L0/L1 configuration, KCONFIG for L0 version of Xen, etc.

Citrix will host, but others are welcome to join (please contact Lars for logistics)

Related videos: <https://lists.xen.org/archives/html/xen-devel/2019-11/msg00229.htm>

ACTION: Lars to send a mail to list with more details