

Global BIPOC Advisory Board
Meeting 6 Minutes
Saturday Jun 25, 2022
11:30 AM - 1:00 PM (PST) 90 mins.

1. Roll Call

Brainwane

Hurdy gurdy girl

Aielen

Loup

Thyme

2. Approval of Previous Minutes (5 mins)

Review/Discussions of Meeting #5 minutes and any additional changes to be made

- Thyme will make suggested edits and send for review
 - See revised minutes [here](#)

3. Call for new members Google Form Submissions next steps

- a. As a group, we looked at the responses on the google form.
 - i. Brainwane proposes that both users are great additions, there are no objections to inviting them to join. Thyme will follow up with new members to get them onboarded for the July meeting.

4. Loups update on internal moderation notes

- a. Working with frimble to create tools for board members to read in-thread private notes to give them a clear idea of how mods communicate/document any notable threads/comments.
 - i. This would provide some visibility on the backend in terms of how mods make decisions. The more you are able to see, the more you are able to understand the decision making process.
- b. As frimble develops the page, loup will test things out and make sure its moving smoothly. We can go over the tool during one of our next meetings.

5. BIPOC MeTas Review

- a. Loup asks: Since there is almost 20 years of content, how do we want to proceed in reviewing these documents?
 - i. Aielen is in the process of identifying key takeaways that can be reported and studied further.
 - ii. One way to decipher which threads to sift through could be to use the data reflecting the highly-engaged threads (number of comments), 2019 state of site thread, etc.
 - iii. Loup finds that the threads with the highest number of comments are a good place to start
 - 1. Do you think we should start going over any of these threads or how do you all want to proceed?

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- a. Aielen suggests the ones that are highlighted are a good focus point
2. Loup suggests we select two threads to review over the next month
 - a. **“Person of color thread #5”** and **“Let’s talk about race baby”**
(Note: these threads were saved cached copies in hardcopy format which aielen kept privately)
 - b. Talking about the technical changes that could be made, understanding how things can be done or addressed differently and having an open conversation about what actionable
 - c. Hurdy gurdy girl makes a point of clarification: this would be more of a meta-level discussion of the threads rather than a breakdown of each comment.

Brainwane asks about loup’s case study proposition from meeting 5

Loup: We did not create a case study but brings up June 8th Meta Talk as a good starting point:

- The discussion derailed and led to many deletions. Loup elected to keep many comments up for visibility and context.
- It forces us to leave up stressful and inappropriate content and we could consider this as a case study.
- Loup will add this thread to their to-do list and share a breakdown of the logic behind what happened, how some decisions were made and we can review together next month.

6. Additional Discussion points

a. BIPOC board liaison

i. Steering committee:

1. Brainwane thinks that the board should become a working group of the steering committee; connected in a way that allows for one stable liaison.
2. Loup feels that it is too early to establish a liaison yet considering that the committee is still in its formation process but when the time comes, liaison needs to be ok with being present at both seats.
3. The goal is for the involvement of liaison to be as little demand as possible and hopefully as new members join us, the more we can openly discuss and consider who may be willing and a good fit.
4. Loup and Thyme’s goal is to ensure that you showing up here is valuable and that your time is being utilized productively.

b. Request for rotating minute-takers

- i. Tabled for next meeting

c. Honoraria

- i. Loup is looking into bank account logistics so we can resume with consistent payments.