# ScoutLink Council Meeting Minutes

Date:    Sunday 7th May 2017

Time meeting opened (GMT):  13:05

**Present (voting):**

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| Mzasykes | *HATT* | | Darren | *UK* |
| Fox | *North America* | | juham (C) | *Finland* |
| Strike | *Oceania* | | Sorcerer (S) | *Scandinavia* |
| atoen | *Indonesia* | | Geejee | *BeNeLux* |

**Present (non-voting):**

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| JohnR | *South Africa (DC)* |
| Lillelykke | *Scandinavia (Dep.)* |
| Layton | *Minecraft* |

**Apologised:**

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| Emily | *TechTeam (Dep.)* |

**Late Arrivals:**

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| Hubcio | (13.30) | *Eastern Europe* |
| Nrikito | (13.51) | *Peru* |
| elguayanes | (14.29) | *South America* |

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**Agenda & Decisions:**

1. New election for UK CC
   a. Darren is now acting UK CC until an election has been done.

   **ACTION:** North America Coordinator – will organise UK CC Election.

2. New Minecraft Coordinator
   a. We need a new Coordinator. Scandinavia Deputy suggests Council elect a Coordinator by putting out an advert on The Team group on discourse and letting users apply for the position. Layton is acting-coordinator until a decision has been made.

   **ACTION:** Council Chair – Advertise Minecraft Coordinator role on The Team on Discourse. Closing date 31st May.

3. New Coordinator for Finland
   a. Scandinavia Coordinator will be Election Officer and JOTI Coordinator will be Returning Officer for this Election.

   **ACTION:** Finland  Coordinator – provide Sorcerer with a list of Finnish users that are eligible to vote.
   **ACTION:** Scandinavia Coordinator – organise Finnish election.

4. Council Reports

a. The following teams still need to submit a report to Council: TechTeam, Teamspeak, Indonesia, North America, Oceania, Eastern Europe, Asia, South America, Arabic, Venezuela, Italy, France, South Africa.

b. It was suggested that a reminder be sent out by e-mail as reports are a new expectation.

**ACTION:** Secretary – Send out a reminder to those Coordinators that still need to submit a report.

5. Future changes

a. Location Coordinators Proposal: Change the names of Country Coordinators, Region Coordinators, and Development Coordinators to 'Location Coordinators'.

b. Minecraft Coordinator has a large amount of suggestions for changes so it was decided that Council would look over the whole document when it was finished, rather than phased decisions, to make it easier for our Coords to see how things fit together.

**ACTION:** Minecraft Coordinator – finish proposal document and submit to Council for discussion

6. ScoutLink Sundays

a. Competitions, new games, and lots of participation is the main idea.

**ACTION:** All Coordinators – advertise ScoutLink Sundays in your area. Web and Media Teams to arrange advertising on website.

7. Changes to Coordinator Rules

a. Voting Rights
**VOTE:** Users may have multiple Coordinator positions but they are only allowed to represent one role in voting situations. Of course, they are allowed to have their Deputy represent a role.
APPROVED

b. Deputies
**VOTE:** All Coordinators must choose a Deputy within one month of starting their role. The Deputy must be ratified by Council at the following Council meeting or via Discourse, due to the Deputy being able to represent their Coordinator in their absence and make voting decisions. This will also increase the chances of Council meetings being quorate.
APPROVED

c. Council Meeting Attendance, and related rules
**VOTE:**
• Change the word 'expected' to 'must', stating that all Coordinators must attend Council meetings.
• If a Coordinator knows that they can't make the meeting, the must say so on the relevant Discourse post which will be named after the the month and year of the next meeting followed by 'Apologies'.
• The Coordinator must also inform their Deputy to attend the meeting in their absence, and their Deputy must follow the same process as in the above point.
• If there are three (3) consecutive absences without an apology given, then the position will be reviewed by Council.
• If there are six (6) consecutive absences, regardless of apologies, then the position will be reviewed by Council.
APPROVED

d. The appointment for Media Team Coordinator ends on 1st June 2017. As the Media Coordinator has been inactive, and the role has been carried out by Webteam, it is suggested the roles are merged.
   **VOTE:** All responsibilities of the Media Team will transfer to the Web Team Coordinator. A suggestion for the Web Team Coordinator is to assign Media responsibilities to a Deputy, but this is their choice (plus ratification by Council as per the Deputy point above). A review of this change should be carried out after 3 months to see if the Coordinator is coping well. If not then we make it a requirement for the Web and Media Team Coordinator to choose a Deputy for Media.
   APPROVED

e. Team Coordinators as voting members of Council
   **VOTE:** It is proposed that Team Coordinators become voting members of Council. Teams are:
   • Bot Team
   • Help and Training Team
   • Minecraft Team
   • Tech Team
   • Web and Media Team
   • JOTI Team
   The rule regarding quoracy will remain untouched following the implementation of the 'attendance' and 'deputy coordinators' points made above.
   APPROVED.

8. Logging

   **VOTE:**  Add more content to HaTT courses around 1-to-1 conversations. APPROVED.
   **VOTE:** ScoutLink will abstain from logging private messages on our services because of conflicting international rules and NSO policies. APPROVED.

9. Tidying up Discourse
   a. We now have a sub-topic for Council Meetings, Elections, and Oline Requests. And there may be more in the future as content increases.
   b. Teams and areas can have their own sub-topics if they request them

10. Suspension Policy
    a. Discussions were held about Team Members in the case they should be suspended or be involved in a criminal matter, as this isn't clear in our policy. This will be discussed in more depth on discourse as it needs more thought.

    **ACTION:** Sorcerer will come up with a policy that we can vote on before the next meeting.

11. Suggested Webchat Change
    a. The current webchat with Kiwi IRC client is not very easy to use, and looks unprofessional. The client also has issues on small screens regarding channels and userlist.
    b. A possible alternative would be TheLounge as it is a modern, minimalistic and easy to use client which also supports themes to fit our brand.

    **ACTION:** TechTeam will look into TheLounge and implement it if it seems suitable.

**A.O.B:**

Scandi. & UK:     We need to look at how we use Teamspeak.

    **ACTION:** TechTeam will look into using other services and report back.

Scandinavia:      I would like to formally state that Lillelykke is now Scandinavia Deputy.

Finland:          Using YouTube videos: This means we can make minecraft videos to teach users the basics, create promotional videos, and instructional videos for our services.

    **ACTION:** Web and Media Coordinator will look into this.

HATT              The SENDPASS command isn't working at the moment. Do we have a work around for this? Council suggests sending a ticket to TechTeam who can drop the user's nickname for now allowing them to re-register.

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Time meeting closed (GMT): 16.37