

### **Hedera Council Meeting Minutes**

**Date:** July 14, 2021

**Time:** 6:00 – 8:00pm ET

**Location:** Teleconference

Attendees:

Avery Dennison: Max Winograd, Pradeep Iyer

Boeing: Brian Jeffords

Chainlink: David Post, William Herkelrath

Dentons: Kenneth Oh

**DLA Piper:** Scott Thiel, Mark Radcliffe

EDF: Heidi von Korff

eftpos Australia: Rob Allen, Ben Tabell FIS/Worldpay: Micah Kershner, Che Cabreros Google: Simonas Baksys, Rich Widmann, Atul Luykx

**IBM:** Paul Tippett

LG Electronics: Samuel Park, Jaewook Kim

Magazine Luiza: Simon Olson Nomura: Akira Iwasaki, Sohail Khalid

Shinhan: Do Hyung (Andrew) Kim, Daseob Lee

Standard Bank: Gideon Rossouw Swirlds: Bill Miller, Arlan Harris Tata Communications: Ankur Jindal

University College London: Nikhil Vadgama, Juan Ignacio

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**Members Not Present** 

Deutsche Telekom Wipro Zain Hedera Officers/Staff:

Mance Harmon, CEO

Dr. Leemon Baird, Chief Scientist

Young Cho, CFO

Brett McDowell, Executive Director Natale Furman, General Counsel Lionel Chocron, Chief Product Officer Christian Hasker, Chief Marketing Officer Samuel Brylski, Chief Compliance Officer &

Regulatory Counsel

Tom Sylvester, Assoc. General Counsel & Secretary

Atul Mahamuni, SVP of Products Rachel Epstein, Corporate Counsel

Donald Thibeau, Director, Product Management

Josh Planton, VTM Group

#### Summary of actions taken at meeting

- Minutes approved. Council Members approved the minutes from the Council meeting held on May 12, 2021.
- Treasury Allocation for Ecosystem Development. Council Members approved the transfer of \$2 billion worth of hbars from the Hedera Treasury to a separate account controlled by Hedera's Board, with such funds to be disbursed by the Board in a prudent manner for the purpose of funding Hedera network ecosystem development efforts. Council Members further agreed that such \$2 billion HBAR allocation (10.7 billion hbars) was expected to include an allocation of \$1 billion worth of hbars (5.35 billion hbars) and fiat to the HBAR Foundation based on the strength of their RFP proposal, with grant terms to be negotiated and approved by the Board, provided such terms should include an observer seat for Hedera on each of the Foundation's board and grant committee.
- Budget Approval. Council Members approved the allocation of 4,393,150,000 HBAR for H2 2021 budget.
- <u>HUG Renaming</u>. Council Members approved changing the name of the Hedera User Group to the Hedera Enterprise Alliance.

### Call to Order & Introductions

Brett M. formally called the meeting to order and welcomed Council Members to the fourth Council meeting of 2021.

After being moved and seconded, the Council Members unanimously approved the agenda as presented for the meeting. Brett welcomed new members and allowed them a few minutes to introduce themselves.

**Brett McDowell**Executive Director



# **CEO Update**

Mance H. summarized the history of Hedera from inception through opening the network for public use through to the present day. He noted that projections from 20 Hedera Network clients suggest network usage is forecasted to increase over the next few years to 1 billion transaction per month. Mance H. also discussed the growth of on-ramps and momentum around enterprise adoption.

Mance Harmon CFO

## Secretary Report

After being moved and seconded, the Council Members unanimously approved the minutes from the Council meeting held on May 12, 2021.

Tom Sylvester Secretary & Assoc. General Counsel

Brett McDowell Executive Director

Tom S. noted that a version of the Hedera LLC agreement with updated schedules had been posted to Hedera's website.

# Ecosystem Grant Programs (Executive Session)

The Council meeting moved into executive session to discuss network ecosystem grant programs.

In the executive session, the Council Members approved the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, that the Council hereby approves the transfer of \$2 billion worth of hbars<sup>1</sup> from the Hedera Treasury to a separate account controlled by the Board of Directors, with such funds to be disbursed by the Board in a prudent manner for the purpose of funding Hedera network ecosystem outreach and development efforts.

RESOLVED, such allocated funds are expected to include a grant of \$1 billion worth of hbars and cash to the HBAR Foundation (the "Foundation") based on the strength of their RFP Proposal, subject to final grant terms negotiated by the Board that must include, but are not limited to, (a) a non-voting seat on the Foundation's Board filled by a person selected by the Hedera Board, and (b) a non-voting seat on the Foundation's grant committee filled by a person appointed by the Hedera Board.

2021 Budget CFO

Young C. reviewed the proposed 2021 HBAR budget request for 4,393,150,000 hbars.

Young C. confirmed that the terms of the sale of hbars to Immutable Holdings had been agreed. Young C. also presented a proposal for a joint venture Hedera ecosystem fund of \$50 million, which would be funded 50% by Hedera and 50% by a venture capital firm.

Brett M. noted that the 6-month budget requests to the Council Members occur due to a security policy established by the Council Members in 2019. After being moved and seconded, the Council approved the allocation of 4,393,150,000 HBAR for the H2 2021 budget.

Young Cho

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Note: This approval resulted in an allocation of 10,700,337,060 hbars, as \$2 billion worth of hbars was calculated as of the meeting date using the 30-day trailing average closing price of hbars on coinmarketcap.com, which was \$0.18691. The number of hbars expected to be allocated to a grant to the Foundation was 5,350,168,530 hbars.



### **Committee Reports**

#### **TechCom**

Dr. Leemon B, summarized recent TechCom work, including the approval of network and policy updates, reviewing node and transaction signer statuses, and reviewing and approving the first Hedera Improvement Proposals (HIPs).

Dr. Leemon Baird Chief Scientist

Dr. Leemon B. reviewed the Hedera Technical Roadmap for Q2, Q3, and Q4 2021, giving details on roadmap items completed in Q2, and updates to the roadmap since the last Council meeting. Dr. Leemon B. also presented the node and transaction signer status for the Council Members.

Brett M. emphasized the importance of the TechCom discussions and making sure Council Members are involved in the proposals being reviewed and approved within the committee.

#### CoinCom

Dr. Leemon B. reviewed CoinCom's scope of oversight and responsibility, and summarized CoinCom's recent discussions and decisions regarding staking, pricing, the Hedera grant program, and other topics within its purview.

Dr. Leemon Baird Chief Scientist

#### RegCom

Natalie F. noted that RegCom has been focused on reviewing Hedera's regulatory posture, and what further steps Hedera could take to strengthen Hedera's regulatory positioning. Such review included the legal and regulatory status of hbars.

Natale Furman General Counsel

#### **Network Utilization**

**Brett McDowell** Executive Director Brett M. shared with the Council Members a request to include Council Member names next to their respective nodes on status.hedera.com. Some Council Members noted that they do not

Brett M. encouraged Council Members to participate in the Hedera User Group (HUG), sharing with the Council the recent decision to move the group's meetings to a semi-private status with participation occurring under Chatham House Rules. He noted that the HUG Co-Chairs would like to relaunch the program as the Hedera Enterprise Alliance. It was agreed to update the name of the Hedera User Group to the Hedera Enterprise Alliance.

publish their data center locations and requested more time to discuss this request. It was agreed that the topic should be reviewed in TechCom as a potential change to the Node Policy.

The meeting was adjourned.