

1901002: WG Co-Chair Emeritus

Submitter: Amnon Shabo

Issue: Although a process exists for appointing a WG co-chair emeritus (GOM §03.08), the GOM should stipulate that WG co-chairs emeritus may convene WG meetings in the absence of the elected co-chairs. WG co-chairs emeritus shall be considered active co-chairs and have access to WG co-chair resources.

Analysis and Revision

Notes

- Previously GOC 1901002 (deferred)
- adopted 02/04/2019, designated WI1901002
- Previously deferred from 1901
- Discussed 2019-07-10 - deferred to 1909 cycle

GOC analysis: The GOC is aware that staff have been tasked with developing criteria for candidates for the position of WG co-chair emeritus. Concurrently the GOC would pursue this issue as to status of a WG co-chair emeritus.

If adopted, this work item may be deferred should the nomination criteria not be available for inclusion in the GOM.

Input from TSC

Emeritus status request from Amnon Shabo

1. Amnon is a long term cochair of Clinical Genomics and would like to be an emeritus cochair. It was presented as an idea to apply to anyone who would like to be an emeritus cochair, and we do have a proposed GOM update going up for peer review including this issue. The proposed change is a new section that says that emeritus cochairs will have all the privileges and rights of a regular cochair. Why don't they just run? TSC is directed to make comments on the email that will come from the GOC. Suggestion that they shouldn't have voting rights unless they run. There is no criteria with this proposal as it's currently written.
 - a. MOTION that it's the consensus of the TSC that co-chair authority should not be added to the current definition of emeritus status in the GOM: Lorraine/Paul
 - b. VOTE: Jean opposed. Remaining in favor.
 - c. MOTION that the TSC recommends that work group cochair emeritus positions not be allowed: Jean/Melva
 - d. VOTE: Giorgio abstains. Remaining in favor.

Discussion 2019-09-23

- TSC voted against this and proposed wording to not allow Co-Chair Emeritus position

Proposed Revision

03.08 Members Emeritus

The Board may, at its discretion, award emeritus status to an HL7 member. Such a designation is intended to allow the organization to prosper from the advice, wisdom, and experience of the individual so recognized. Typically, the individual would be identified as [leadership designation] Emeritus; e.g., Chair Emeritus or CTO Emeritus. Such individuals would be encouraged to continue their participation in leadership, albeit as a non-voting member unless specifically designated otherwise, with the proviso that such participation by a non-voting member emeritus shall not count toward quorum. ~~Internal councils and committees, such as the TSC or International Council, may petition the Board to declare an individual as a member emeritus with a recommendation as to that individual's voting status.~~ Positions Emeritus shall be held in perpetuity.

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