ASWF TAC Poll Results - May 2022

Current run (last updated May 18, 2022 2:47pm)

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Activities

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Participants

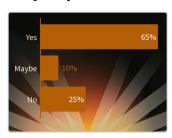
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Average responses



Average engagement

Do you plan to attend Open Source Days / Siggraph in person in Vancouver?



| Response options | Count | Percentage |
|------------------|-------|------------|
| Yes | 13 | 65% |
| Maybe | 2 | 10% |
| No | 5 | 25% |



20 Responses

What do you think is the TAC best achievement so far?



| Responses | Upvotes | Downvotes | 240/ |
|--|---------|-----------|-----------------|
| Building community | 14 | 0 | 24% |
| Elevating the importance of collaboration | 11 | 0 | Engagement |
| Onboarding a sizable portion of the most critical projects in our ecosystem. | 11 | 0 | 10 Responses |
| Facilitating the ongoing health of our projects. | 10 | 0 | |
| Working groups on many topics of common concern to all studios | 6 | 0 | |
| Making new releases of software "normal" | 4 | 0 | |
| Collaboration between different projects | 3 | 0 | |
| Making ASWF the "place to be" | 2 | 0 | |
| Strong contributions to projects | 2 | 0 | |
| Structuring our future | 1 | 0 | |

What do you think is the TAC biggest challenge now?



| Responses | Upvotes | Downvotes | 200/ |
|---|---------|-----------|------------|
| Project participation from people OTHER than the most senior people who do everything | 12 | 0 | Engagement |
| Improving the "bus factor" of projects | 7 | 0 | 9 |
| Contributor growth | 7 | 0 | Responses |
| Scaling / returning value for paid membership | 3 | 0 | |
| Helping contributors be successful | 1 | 0 | |
| Standards | 1 | 0 | |
| Innovation in a changing media & entertainment landscape | 0 | 0 | |
| Path to long-term project health | 0 | 0 | |
| Maintaining what we have built | 0 | 0 | |

What do you think is the TAC biggest opportunity?



| Responses | Upvotes | Downvotes | 2204 |
|---|---------|-----------|------------|
| Expansion of engineer participation in open source as expected part of their daily work | 12 | 0 | Engagement |
| Diversity initiative leading to new contributors | 12 | 0 | 10 |
| Increased involvement from software vendors | 8 | 0 | Responses |
| Becoming the first framework considered when starting open- source development projects for productions | 7 | 0 | |
| Focus on common problems, together | 5 | 0 | |
| To help increase awareness on the reality of dependence on OSS and "normalize" structured company contribution | 3 | 0 | |
| to provide more first party stewardship over OpenSource projects to improve success and execution | 2 | 0 | |
| Enhance visibility of existing support infrastructure to aid contributors to be more successful | 1 | 0 | |
| To help guide/build systems that improves artists' workflows. | 1 | 0 | |
| Collateral and task lists to convince organizations to support/sponsor new contributors | 0 | 0 | |

Continuity planning: suggest actions to insure continuity in projects and working groups



| Responses | Upvotes | Downvotes | |
|--|---------|-----------|-----------------------|
| More co-chairs | 9 | 0 | 28% |
| Encourage a backup or 2nd person from the same company on any TSC they participate on | 8 | 0 | Engagement |
| More extensive "onboarding" and overall ASWF process documentation at all levels - new TAC, new board, new contributor, new TSC members | 8 | 0 | 7 Responses |
| Have all projects/WGs assign secondaries (maybe prefer someone already outside of the projects/WGs). | 5 | 0 | |
| Recommended reporting milestones (quarterly, whatever) to help project teams run to a clear delivery goal for execution or reporting on progress | 3 | 0 | |
| TAC Chair should have term limits | 3 | 0 | |
| Identify overlaps between TAC and Board identity (some were serving both) | 2 | 0 | |

Suggest ways to increase our contributor base



| Responses | Upvotes | Downvotes | F20/ |
|---|---------|-----------|------------|
| Incentivize contribution in some way (community approach ala Epic Fellowship) | 10 | 0 | Engagement |
| Path to Academy Membership for long term contributors | 8 | 0 | 14 |
| Poll "how much red tape at your company for somebody to contribute" and work with member companies on best practices to streamline. | 7 | 0 | Responses |
| Support from member companies to help train/mentor junior engineers on relevant projects instead of only relatively senior devs | 6 | 0 | |
| Some kind of yearly "awards", maybe part of the pipeline award effort | 6 | 0 | |
| Require member companies to commit at least 2 FTEs | 7 | 2 | |
| OSPO at each member company to be part of the discussion (like the legal team) | 4 | 0 | |
| Publish list of open problems for each prtoject | 4 | 0 | |
| Embrace M&E more broadly to entice more participation from closely aligned industies such as games and television. | 4 | 0 | |
| Academy Awards to recognize developer contribution types | 3 | 0 | |
| ASWF funded contracts for specific work on our projects | 3 | 0 | |
| Call to action via campaign (marcoms initiative) | 1 | 0 | |

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|---|---------|-----------|
| Semi-regular telecon for overviews of ASWF project impact, objectives and needs. Targeted to galvanize new contributors @ existing companies and new companies. | 0 | 0 |
| Open Source Program Office and related training | 0 | 0 |

Expanding our base: in which technology category could we expand?



| Responses | Upvotes | Downvotes | 400/ |
|---|---------|-----------|---------------|
| Virtual Production | 13 | 0 | 40% |
| Themed Entertainment Technology (projection mapping, non planar displays, media servers / playback, contrl systems etc) | 9 | 0 | Engagement 16 |
| Real-Time Rendering Engines | 7 | 0 | Responses |
| Game Engines | 7 | 1 | |
| Education / Higher Ed | 5 | 0 | |
| Cloud Technology | 7 | 2 | |
| Scientific viz | 4 | 0 | |
| Broadcast | 4 | 0 | |
| Video codecs | 2 | 0 | |
| Remote Desktop / artist focused UI elements designed for latency | 2 | 0 | |
| Stagecraft (e.g. Virtual Production more holistically) | 2 | 0 | |
| Audio | 1 | 0 | |
| Marketing | 1 | 0 | |
| esports | 0 | 0 | |
| Stay in our lane | 0 | 1 | |

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Metaverse

Please suggest topics for a future strategy meeting:



| Responses | Upvotes | Downvotes | 2204 |
|---|---------|-----------|----------------|
| reference linux distribution | 11 | 0 | 32% |
| vfx reference platform | 10 | 0 | Engagement |
| beyond python | 6 | 0 | |
| open source opportunities in virtual production | 5 | 0 | 9 Responses |
| Combo Board/TAC strategy to align and learn?? | 3 | 0 | |
| How to stop NFTs | 2 | 0 | |
| dynamic loading, threat or menace | 2 | 0 | |
| Security | 2 | 0 | |
| NFT | 0 | 12 | |