

HL7 FHIR Foundation Board Call
Monday, April 24, 2017
4:00PM ET
Dial

Participants: Stan Huff, MD; Pat Van Dyke; Russ Leftwich, MD; Chuck Jaffe, MD, PhD; Wayne Kubick; Grahame Grieve; Ewout Kramer; Paul Biondich; Viet Nguyen; Karen Van Hentenryck (scribe)

Regrets: Ed Hammond, Todd Cooper, Dave Shaver

Agenda

1. **Roll call/agenda review** – Huff called the meeting to order at 4:09 PM ET.
2. **Approval of the minutes from the January meeting** – **MOTION** by Kubick to approve the minutes; seconded by Van Dyke. The motion carried unanimously.
3. **Status of work with HQ to enable membership processing** – Grieve reported that he and David Johnson at HQ have been working together. The subscription service has been set up at HQ and now needs to be integrated into the FHIR.org website. Once tested it should be ready to go, perhaps as soon as early May. Grieve does not feel this will be ready until after Madrid. We need to some thinking about how best to market this. We'll need press release and other marketing materials. We can mention this at Madrid but wait to launch until we are ready.
4. **FHIR Foundation owning FHIR related trademarks** – Grieve reported that the issue arose when discussing some of the requirements of transiting the SMART IP to HL7.org. Board decision. There are two questions: (1) Should the FHIR Foundation as opposed to HL7 International own the FHIR trademark, and (2) Is the Foundation willing to own non-FHIR trademarks (e.g., SMART, CDS Hooks). In principle, Grieve feels this is something the Foundation should be prepared to do. We should check with our attorney about owning FHIR and other related trademarks. Tripathi noted that his understanding is that HL7.org owns the FHIR trademark. While that is true, the FHIR Foundation board should have an opinion on whether they wish to own the FHIR trademark and if so, should approach the HL7.org board. Kubick reminded the group that applying for and maintaining trademarks does cost money. Currently, we have no funding. He suggested that we table this question until we have a joint meeting with the HL7 Board, which is currently planned for the San Diego WGM meeting in September. In the meantime, we can move forward with seeking information on cost, procedures, etc. from the attorney.
5. **Google hosted services for the FHIR Foundation** - Grieve reported we are currently running one service (terminology). We will gradually migrate other things over. Grieve noted this service is available for those who are developing FHIR resources. It is not available for product. Jaffe asked if we've incurred any costs. Grieve responded that to date, the cost has been minimal. The service includes the FHIR terminologies and most of the major external terminologies. Grieve also has a project with OCL,

although not much progress has been made. Biondich may be able to help move that project forward.

- 6. Update on registry/repository** - Kubick reported that he is still waiting for input from a few of the reviewers. An RFI was issued in February with a response due date of March. They received a single response. They are hoping to have a response back to the submitter by Madrid. The review committee is trying to determine whether they wish to move forward with the single response.
- 7. Review/approve policies for hosting implementation guides and other third party artifacts on the FHIR.org website** – No progress. The draft is on Google docs. Van Hentenryck will send out the Google docs link and prompt the FHIR Foundation Board members to send their feedback in time for the Madrid meeting.
- 8. Update on FHIR certification test/credentialing** – Grieve reported there are two different tests. The first test is similar to the existing CDA/V2 cert tests and will test familiarity with the specification. It is fairly light on technical details. They hope to finalize this test with Education committee in Madrid and offer in San Diego (Sept WGM). The FHIR credential is a much more robust process and more difficult test, requiring deeper knowledge of specification. The goal is to get a good credentialing program in place. The Education committee along with the EC/Board is responsible for setting pricing. Van Hentenryck will ask Sharon Chaplock to move this forward and provide benchmarking data. Huff asked whether the credentialing organization would be HL7.org or the FHIR Foundation and which would get the revenue from the tests. Grieve noted that is still under discussion. Biondich asked whether revenue from the test was being considered as part of the plan to sustain the organization. The priority is to get the program up and running.
- 9. Other topics - Jaffe**
 - SMART commitment to port IP to HL7 – Grieve indicated that there are trademark and copyright issues and Grahame isn't certain how these will play out. The specification will migrate to HL7.org. This is an HL7 project but has not been formalized.
 - Argonaut poised to formally move under Foundation umbrella critical to PR – Tripathi reported that moving Argonaut under the FHIR Foundation umbrella was discussed at the last steering committee meeting. Currently, Argonaut is driven by a master contract with HL7 who is the general contractor. If this is a matter of moving the contract under the Foundation, it is unlikely to receive pushback, though the steering committee needs to weigh in. There may need to be some clarification of what moving under the FHIR Foundation umbrella means, if anything, beyond that. Argonaut will be publishing all their work on FHIR.org, which is where they will be maintained/published going forward.
 - Devices on FHIR PSS advanced through collaboration with several large device vendors, with IEEE, and with dialysis community – While the project scope statement is evolving, Todd Cooper has secured support from various vendors. The PSS has been approved by HL7 but there are no additional updates in the project database. Cooper can provide additional information next time he joins a Foundation meeting (he's currently in China).

10. Housekeeping (1 minute) - Huff

- Next meeting – Q5 on Sunday in Madrid.
- Agenda items for next call

Call adjourned at 5:05 pm ET