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Report on Roundtable III 1-3 June 2005

The second formal event of The Calendaring and Scheduling Consortium took place on 1-3 June, 2005, hosted by Duke University Durham, North Carolina. The event was attended by representatives of seventeen Consortium members. The Roundtable event consisted of two days of Technical Committee meetings, and an all-hands plenary meeting of the membership and attendees. The first two days, a CalConnect Interoperability Eventt was held in parallel with the Technical Committee meetings. The Technical Committee sessions were organized sequentially, to allow all attendees who wished to be involved in the discussions of a Technical Committee the opportunity to do so, and there was definitely "drift" between TC sessions and those participating in the CalConnect Interoperability Event.

UPDATE ON INITIATIVES

Glossary Project: The Calendaring Glossary should be ready for initial publication on the Consortium website within the next few weeks; it is currently in Last Call within the Consortium.

Recurrence Questionnaire: The results of the Recurrence Questionnaire conducted by TC-RECURR on the internet will be posted publicly to the Consortium website as soon as the results document completes Final Call within the Consortium.

TC-REALTIME has been on hold pending the completion of other work, and will begin its work in mid to late June.

TC-MIN-IOP was disbanded and folded into TC-IOPTEST.

External Communications: The Consortium will be announcing an RSS feed for Calendaring issues and announcements in the next several weeks.

New initiatives: The Consortium is considering initiating work in three new areas, if there is sufficient interest among existing and new members and if resources are available to work in these areas:

- Calendar user address discovery and calendar server discovery
- Cross domain security and access control
- Todos for project management

CALCONNECT INTEROPERABILITY EVENT

Participants in the CalConnect Interoperability Event included Isamet, Mozilla, Novell, Oracle, and Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute. The CalConnect Interoperability Event was focused on CalDAV testing and tested three CalDAV servers and four clients with very positive results. The results of the CalConnect Interoperability Event should be available soon and will be posted on the Consortium website and delivered to the IETF.

TECHNICAL COMMITTEES

All Calconnect Technical Committees met during the course of the Roundtable to review their status and work to date with the entire set of attendees and to progress their work with the large input from the Roundtable. Of particular note:

TC-CALDAV has made its CalDAV test script available on the Consortium website (under "Resources").

TC-CALSIFY has been re-chartered more explicitly as a coordination effort between Consortium Technical Committees and the incipient IETF CALISFY working group. The intent is to feed information to the working group as rapidly as possible and ensure that TC work being done for consumption by the working group meets the needs of the WG.

TC-EVENTPUB is developing a survey on Event Publication, which will be distributed as widely as possible, and may require some level of publicity to draw attention to it.

TC-IOPTEST has taken on the tasks associate with the former TC-MIN-IOP to determine the "minimum interoperability subset" for iCalendar. This is in addition to TC-IOPTEST's charter to plan for, develop and formalize the Consortium's CalConnect Interoperability Event testing.

TC-RECURR is planning a second questionnaire to delve more deeply into some specific recurrence issues identified by the first questionnaire. The Committee intends to have results and recommendations by the next Consortium Roundtable, and make them available to the IETF CALSIFY working group before the November IETF meeting.

TC-TIMEZONE is conducting a questionnaire on Timezone implementations as part

FUTURE MEETINGS

The next meeting (Roundtable IV) will take place 13-15 September in San Francisco, hosted by the Open Source Applications Foundation. The following meeting (Roundtable V) will take place in mid-January in Provo, Utah, hosted by Novell, Inc.