

# Drupal Ireland Annual General Meeting

23rd May 2015

See [AGM Minutes from Drupalcamp Galway 2014](#)

## **Present:**

Remaining attendees from Drupal Open Days 2015  
and current committee members: Gavin, Stella, Jochen, Lisa

## **Stella: chairperson's welcome**

Review minutes from last year's AGM (link above)

Points review:

1. move AGM to early in the year, to coincide with Open Days to get more participation
2. Drupal.ie went live - Thanks to Conor and Sile
3. Successful Open Days

## **Treasurer report by Gavin from 2014**

Details to be posted - follow up

Other account notes

1. Drupal Dev Days 2013 - half profits went to Szeged Dev Days 2014
2. Streamlining bank system, reduce number signees - WIP

## **Jochen's recap about this year's event**

1. First year for paid promotion, budget of €300
2. Final number of reg = approx 130, 40 landyards left over - estimate 90 attendees
3. Happy with numbers, provided we started later with planning and registration
4. Thanks to volunteers

Accepted minutes and treasurer's report accepted and seconded.

**Stella requests volunteers to put themselves forward for new committee and explains what the committee entails**

7 places on committees

Stella explains the desire to grow the local community and to encourage new people to get involved.

Positions: chair, treasurer, secretary, 4 other roles to fill

- people elected and then decide what role they want
- typically, committee members virtually meet each month, skype/google hangout
- upcoming events and organisation
- other activities outside drupal camp?
- benefits of being on committee - working with good people, karma

Action point to all attendees present - register on the [drupal.groups.org](http://drupal.groups.org) and then they can vote the committee in

### **Stella asks for volunteers to be on the committee**

Mike, Jochen, Alan, Gavin, Luis, Ricardo - volunteered

Marta was nominated by Lisa and seconded by Sile. Marta accepted nomination.

New committee:

Mike, Jochen, Alan, Gavin, Luis, Ricardo, Marta

### **Any other business:**

#### **Mike King announced plans for next drupal camp**

Belfast Nov 2015 for winter drupal camp

Mike explains what Belfast might entail, lower-key, less business and less newbie focus, inner focused, developer focused

Blicks (sp?) studios - limited space, bigger venue might be needed, details/dates TBC

Show of hands as to who would prefer Fri/Sat versus Sat/Sun

Sat/Sun seemed more desirable to most

#### **Mark Conroy points raised**

1. Open days - consider moving Open Days to late March to facilitate students - this was thought to be a good idea, will be actioned by the committee

2. Twitter and [groups.drupal.org](http://groups.drupal.org) ireland - What can be published on each.

Mark was responsible for Drupal Ireland twitter account this year. There was some feedback regarding the type of content being tweeted (it was felt to promote annertech more so than

Drupal in general). Mark mentioned tweeting Annertech blogs more than others, due to the lack of others being available.

It was mentioned that the focus should be on drupal in ireland, not drupal businesses in Ireland

Possibly a committee position as PRO so they would be in charge of tweeting and possibly guidelines.

3. What can get posted on Drupal Ireland groups - Mark posted via his personal account on D.O and the same feedback as mentioned above was directed at that too.

### **Emma-Jane in response to this issue**

Drupal Planet rules state the post has to have an educational component if one posts it themselves, about themselves or their company. Otherwise, anyone else can post kudos to someone else without there being educational, recognition from a third party

**Jochen** seconds that promoting other business and colleagues is important.

**Conclusion/Consensus:** Role of Drupal Ireland association is to promote Drupal in Ireland, not the Drupal Ireland association itself, so we agree guidelines for what can be posted are crucial. Action point to committee to assign PRO role with these tasks in mind.

Also, to add a notice to members via groups.drupal.org/Ireland to get in touch with PRO if they have Drupal projects to promote

### **Conor Cahill's points**

1. groups.drupal.org/Ireland fair game for self promotion. Drupal.org already moderate it. Keep the bar low - this was generally accepted
2. Twitter is a different issue, possibly better guidelines, percentage or quota of posts allowed so no one company/individual can dominate

Action point - New PRO to take this conversation to groups.drupal.org/Ireland for further discussion

Transparency as a keyword/goal, guideline and discussions will follow.

Action point - get a list on twitter account on of all drupal-related businesses in Ireland

### **Lisa Corcoran's points**

1. If the wider role of the committee over the year is to expand the community and get more new people involved, the issues as above will not be such an issue down the line.
2. facebook group moderation as responsibility of PRO

New committee to have their first meeting following the AGM. Stella closes the meeting and thanks everyone for their participation.