



CVE Board Meeting Notes March 16, 2022 (9:00 am – 11:00 am ET)

CVE Board Attendance

- Ken Armstrong, [EWA-Canada, An Intertek Company](#)
- Tod Beardsley, [Rapid7](#)
- Chris Coffin (MITRE At-Large), [The MITRE Corporation](#)
- Jessica Colvin
- Mark Cox, [Red Hat, Inc.](#)
- William Cox, [Synopsys, Inc.](#)
- Patrick Emsweller, [Cisco Systems, Inc.](#)
- Jay Gazlay, [Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency \(CISA\)](#)
- Tim Keanini, [Cisco Systems, Inc.](#)
- Kent Landfield, [Trellix](#)
- Scott Lawler, [LP3](#)
- Chris Levendis (MITRE, Board Moderator), [CVE Program](#)
- Art Manion, [CERT/CC \(Software Engineering Institute, Carnegie Mellon University\)](#)
- Pascal Meunier, [CERIAS/Purdue University](#)
- Ken Munro, [Pen Test Partners LLP](#)
- Tom Millar, [Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency \(CISA\)](#)
- Chandan Nandakumaraiah, [Palo Alto Networks](#)
- Kathleen Noble, [Intel Corporation](#)
- Lisa Olson, [Microsoft](#)
- Shannon Sabens, [CrowdStrike](#)
- Takayuki Uchiyama, [Panasonic Corporation](#)
- David Waltermire, [National Institute of Standards and Technology \(NIST\)](#)
- James “Ken” Williams, [Broadcom Inc.](#)

MITRE CVE Team Attendance

- Kris Britton
- Christine Deal
- Dave Morse
- Art Rich

Agenda

- 9:00-9:05: Introduction and Roll Call
- 9:05-10:35: Topics
 - CVE Services Update
 - Potential CVE Summit Cancellation, to be discussed at 3/17 Transition Working Group (TWG) meeting
 - Open Discussion



- 10:35-10:55 Review of Action Items
- 10:55-11:00 Next Meetings and Future Agenda Topics

New Action Items from Today's Meeting

Action Item #	New Action Item	Responsible Party	Due
03.16.01	Write up proposal about establishing a Researcher Working Group. The group could meet periodically to discuss why the program works the way it does and get Researcher feedback about how processes could be improved. Prepare for Board review.	Chris L. (lead)	TBD

Topics

- **CVE Services 2.1 Update (Kris Britton)**
 - The current deployment schedule was presented, along with information about current status and upcoming milestones.
 - Pre-production testing is ongoing with Rapid7, RedHat, and ZDI.
 - 31 preliminary testing findings have been identified, and 18 need to be addressed prior to deployment. More discussion is needed to determine how long that will take, and the impact on the deployment schedule (expected to be significant, e.g., 1-2 months)
 - A spreadsheet of the findings was presented, organized by difficulty to fix; type (e.g., functional, security); and urgency (fix now, fix later).
 - Octopus Deploy has agreed to help the program address the findings, and a meeting is scheduled with them later today (3/16/22) to discuss their role and resources and come up with an estimate of schedule impact.
 - Results of this meeting will be shared with the Transition Working Group (TWG) at their meeting tomorrow morning (3/17/22).
- **CVE Summit Spring 2022 (Chris Levendis)**
 - A primary purpose of the Summit is to get community feedback about CVE Services 2.1. If deployment is delayed, the Summit must be delayed.
 - Scheduled summit date (April 7, 2022) is getting close, and the program wants to get any cancellation/postponement information to summit participants ASAP.
 - The discussion with Octopus Deploy later today is expected to inform how long test fixes will take and whether a delay in 2.1 deployment is needed, and thus a delay in the summit.
 - Any postponement recommendation will be communicated to the Board via email, since this cannot wait until the next Board meeting.



Open Discussion

- Shannon Sabens introduced the topic of a somewhat disgruntled researcher who participated in the OCWG meeting last Friday. He used the meeting to air some concerns. Some were valid concerns, and some could be addressed with better information. One concern was about EOL and a vulnerability dispute with VMWare. The researcher does not want to follow program EOL policy or is not aware of it and has been directed to program material on the web. The CNA Coordination team is working with the researcher to try to resolve his issue. It was discussed and agreed that allowing Researchers to deviate from policy/procedure is not workable. There are too many individual researchers and allowing special cases will not scale.
- An idea is being socialized within the CVE Program regarding the establishment of a Researcher Working Group that could meet periodically to discuss why the program works the way it does and get Researcher feedback about how processes could be improved. This could be a more efficient approach to dealing with one-off Researcher problems. It was also discussed whether a conference or newsletter may be a better way to start improving engagement with Researchers, due to program resource limitations. A new action item is for MITRE team members to write a proposal (e.g., describe functions, topics) for a Researcher Working Group for Board review and consideration.
- The Secretariat asked if Working Groups use the CVE Program Partner site for document management. The answer was no, or very little. The platform is not well liked. This may be an area to re-evaluate.

Review of Open Action Items

- 09.30.04 (Dispute Policy/Process) – completion of draft is expected in the next few days.
- 10.26.01 (Dispute Tagging) – there was discussion about whether the dispute is with the entire CVE Record, or just a container/part of the record. Chandan indicated the dispute is with the whole record, but there may not be common agreement across the program. The topic will be brought up at SPWG again to try to resolve.
- 10.28.01 (Working Groups Operations Handbook) – Secretariat will reach out to Kent Landfield to determine handbook status, get it finalized and circulate to the Board for review.
- 04.14.02 (CNA Guide for Adoption of New AWG Services) – work is ongoing, and it is expected that the Summit will be important for sharing guidance and receiving feedback about where more guidance is needed.
- 06.23.01 (Vision Paper) – the paper is in-work with some finishing touches needed and may be ready for Board review in the next couple weeks.
- 06.23.01 (CVE Program Annual Report) – the first attempt was an annual summary (and previous quarter) report card, in the form of a set of slides, and did not have the traditional look of an annual report. Program will reach out to Katie Noble to get her latest paper (Intel annual report) related to this topic. The idea is to create a more polished annual report that complements the vision paper, and adopt a more traditional look (e.g., Intel).



Next CVE Board Meetings

- Wednesday, March 30, 2022, 2:00pm – 4:00pm (ET)
- Wednesday, April 13, 2022, 9:00am – 11:00am (ET)
- Wednesday, April 27, 2022, 2:00pm – 4:00pm (ET)
- Wednesday, May 11, 2022, 9:00am – 11:00am (ET)
- Wednesday, May 25, 2022, 2:00pm – 4:00pm (ET)

Discussion Topics for Future Meetings

- CVE Services updates, as needed
- CVE Program website transition progress, as needed
- Council of Roots meeting highlights
- Researcher Working Group proposal for Board review
- Vision Paper and Annual Report

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