



CVE Board Meeting Notes

November 29, 2023 (9:00 am – 11:00 am EST)

Agenda

- 2:00-2:05 Introduction
- 2:05-3:25 Topics
 - Working Group Updates
 - Organizational Motivation/Intent – Does it matter when considering a CNA prospect?
 - Disputed/Rejected Records: Root/CNA Perspective
- 3:25-3:35 Open Discussion
- 3:35-3:55 Review of Action Items
- 3:55-4:00 Closing Remarks

New Action Items from Today's Meeting

New Action Item	Responsible Party
Conduct a poll of Board members to identify interested parties and a meeting time to further discuss organizational motivation/intent.	Secretariat

Working Group Updates

- AWG
 - Working on a new deployment schedule for the maintenance release of CVE Services. Group proposes January 2024 for deployment.
 - Started group discussions on schema migration strategy, e.g., JSON 5.0 to 5.1. Working with TWG.
- CNACWG
 - The mentoring initiative continues with a couple new sign ups. There are a couple of mentorships missing a mentor.
 - Question: Has anyone heard feedback about the virtual workshop held earlier this month? Answer: That will be a topic at the CNACWG meeting later today, and meaningful results will be shared.
- OCWG
 - The Roots podcast production will be rescheduled due to conflicts.
 - The group is considering a blog about disputed/rejected CVE Records from the perspective of the consumer, not the CNA. There is currently not a lot of content for consumers and researchers.
 - Recently, the group discussed doing a blog on picking the right CWE for a CVE.
 - Published a blog yesterday, on the website and social media, about the Q3 CVE Program report. The report will be shared with the board and CNAs later today.
 - OpenSSF.org published a guide to [becoming a CNA as an open source project](#). The blog will be promoted on CVE social media beginning today.
- QWG

- Sent a message to TWG in groups.io about QWG's position to move forward with the current schema release candidate. The email provided a rough plan for how that might proceed.
- Need to get the schema candidate into a test environment. Testing is needed to finalize the schema migration strategy. The AWG has the action to start discussing an overall schema migration strategy.
- SPWG
 - The CNA Rules update is getting close to being released from the SPWG for broader review. Proposing a two-phase review, one for CNAs and the other for working groups. The Board will then have a couple weeks for review; Board vote is targeted for March.
- TWG
 - Working with QWG and AWG on a schema migration strategy.
 - A survey about the November 15 virtual workshop will be sent out by the Secretariat.

Organizational Motivation/Intent – Does it matter when considering a CNA prospect

- To become a CNA, some conditions must be met, e.g., agree to follow program rules, demonstrate competency in vulnerability determination, have a scope and stay in scope, disclose all vulnerabilities found in your scope. Currently, a prospective CNA is not required to explain their motivation to become a CNA.
- Board members discussed whether the program reconsider CNA requirements to get a better understanding of a prospect's motivation or intent.
- Next steps: Further discussion will be held off-line with interested Board members. The Secretariat will conduct a poll to identify interested parties and a meeting time (action item).

Disputed/Rejected Records: Root/CNA Perspective

- In a recent case, after a record had been published, both the product vendor and the original requestor of the CVE ID agreed that it was not a vulnerability, and they wanted the record rejected. Because both agreed, the program rejected the record.
- The MITRE CNA of Last Resort's process is, generally, to not reject a record. Instead, the record is tagged as disputed and the reasoning for that decision is added. Downstream consumers can then decide for themselves whether they think it is a vulnerability.

Open Discussion

Out of time.

Review of Action Items

Out of time.

Next CVE Board Meetings

- Wednesday, December 13, 2023, 2:00pm – 4:00pm (EST)
- Wednesday, January 10, 2024, 9:00am – 11:00am (EST)
- Wednesday, January 24, 2024, 2:00pm – 4:00pm (EST)
- Wednesday, February 7, 2024, 9:00am – 11:00am (EST)
- Wednesday, February 21, 2024, 2:00pm – 4:00pm (EST)
- Wednesday, March 6, 2024, 9:00am – 11:00am (EST)

Discussion Topics for Future Meetings

- Sneak peek/review of annual report template SPWG is working on
- Bulk download response from community about Reserved IDs
- CVE Services updates and website transition progress (as needed)
- Working Group updates (every other meeting)
- Council of Roots update (every other meeting)
- Researcher Working Group proposal for Board review
- Vision Paper and Annual Report
- Secretariat review of all CNA scope statements
- Proposed vote to allow CNAs to assign for insecure default configurations
- CVE Communications Strategy