

USENIX Board of Directors Meeting

Monday, June 15, 2026, 8:00–9:00am PDT / 11:00am–12:00pm EDT

via Zoom video conference

Minutes

Attendance

Board:

- Amy Rich
- Will Enck
- Lea Kissner
- Kurt Andersen
- Sujata Banerjee
- Thorsten Holz—*departed at 8:53 am PDT / 11:53 am EDT*
- Laura Nolan
- George Porter

Guests:

- Michael Rembetsy, Board Treasurer-Elect
- Mike Dunn, Merrill Lynch—*departed at 8:27 am PDT / 11:27 am EDT*
- Jennifer Whalen, Merrill Lynch—*departed at 8:27 am PDT / 11:27 am EDT*

Staff:

- Casey Henderson-Ross
- Jessica Kim

Rich called the meeting to order at 8:03 am PDT / 11:03 am EDT.

Henderson-Ross welcomed guests from Merrill Lynch, including Michael Dunn whose team has merged with Phillip Scott's team, and Michael Rembetsy, Board Treasurer-Elect. Introductions ensued.

1. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Andersen moved to approve the minutes of the May 2026 meeting as presented. Holz seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

2. Reserve Fund Overview, Update, and Discussion with Merrill Lynch

- a. USENIX Balances
- b. USENIX Portfolio Analysis

Whalen reviewed the reserve fund reports, portfolio analysis and performance, sector analysis, risk vs. return analysis, income generation, and bond summary. Discussion ensued. Dunn, Whalen, and Henderson-Ross answered questions posed by the Directors. Dunn also asked questions of the Directors and Henderson-Ross to acquaint himself with USENIX.

3. CECL Committee Report

Enck presented to the CECL Committee, composed of the Executive Committee, the CECL Memo for the second quarter of 2026 produced by Sutro Li for review and questions. There were no questions.

Andersen moved to accept the CECL Committee Report for the second quarter of 2026 as presented. Rich seconded the motion. All members of the CECL Committee voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

4. Amendment to the Steering Committee Process

Enck offered context for an amendment to the steering committee process clarifying steering committee chair candidacy. Discussion ensued.

Andersen moved to accept the amendment to the steering committee process as presented. Rich seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

5. Proposal for Conference on Security and Privacy for Agentic Systems

Enck shared a written proposal submitted by the organizers of a workshop focused on the topic of security and privacy for AI-powered agentic computing systems. The organizers plan to expand the workshop into a conference and have requested to join USENIX's existing slate of conferences. The Directors reviewed the proposal and discussion ensued. In response to a question from Andersen, Henderson-Ross noted that the event's name was not final and reminded the Directors that the organizers would need to accept USENIX's invitation to join the organization.

Andersen moved that USENIX accept the proposal and invite the conference organizers to bring their event under USENIX's aegis for up to two years; Kissner seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

Enck moved to conclude the meeting. Andersen seconded the motion. All voted in favor; none opposed. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 am PDT / 11:55 am EDT.

