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TO THE EDITOR

In the article about virtual firewalls that was published in the December 2005 edition of ;login:, I mentioned that a full "shrink-wrapped" version of the virtual firewall would be made available on my Web site.

The latest version is now available at http://www.cs.drexel .edu/~vp/VirtualFirewall/ as a VMware virtual machine configuration. The distribution is a compressed tar file of all the files required to configure and boot the VM for the virtual firewall.

The release creates a 1Gb virtual disk running OpenBSD 3.7.

Instructions on installing the booting the VM are provided on the site.

—Vassilis Prevelakis

THE USENIX ASSOCIATION FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 2005

ELLIE YOUNG

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The following information is provided as the annual report of the USENIX Association's finances. The accompanying statements have been reviewed by Michelle Suski, CPA, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. The 2005 financial statements were also audited by McSweeney & Associates, CPA's, whose unqualified opinion accompanies the complete financial statements. Accompanying the statements are several charts that illustrate where your USENIX and SAGE membership dues go. The Association's complete financial statements for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2005, are available on request.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT SUMMARY

USENIX continues to be a healthy organization. At the beginning of 2005, USENIX had budgeted for our having a modest surplus at year end in operations. However, we incurred a deficit of \$110K in operations, which was mainly due to a drop in membership revenue, and lower than projected attendance at the USENIX Annual Technical Conference. This deficit was covered by the interest and dividend income in the Reserve Fund. We ended the fiscal year with \$15K increase in net assets.

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USENIX MEMBERSHIP DUES AND EXPENSES

USENIX averaged 5,400 members in 2005, a 7% drop from the previous year. Of these, half opted for SAGE membership as well.

Chart 1 on the facing page shows the total USENIX membership dues revenue (\$573K) for 2005, divided into membership types. Chart 2 presents how those dues were spent. Note that all costs for producing conferences, including staff, marketing, and sales and exhibits, are covered by revenue generated by the conferences. Chart 3 describes how the money allocated to student programs, sponsorship of other conferences, and standards activities (\$263K) was spent in 2005.

Chart 4 shows how the USENIX administrative expenses were allocated. (The category "Misc." covers such items as renewals, taxes, licenses, consultants, temp help, training, etc.) Chart 5 shows where the \$164K in expenses to provide SAGE benefits and services was spent. (Note: SAGE member dues revenue was \$128K.)

USENIX ASSOCIATION STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION As of December 31, 2005 and 2004

USENIX ASSOCIATION STATEMENTS OF ACTIVITIES For the Years Ended December 31, 2005 and 2004

ASSETS		2005		2004		2005	2004 (Unaudited)
ASSETS		2003	- (Unaudited)	REVENUES		
Current Assets			,	Ondudatod)	Conference & workshop revenue	\$ 3,281,826 \$	3,264,893
Cash & cash equivalents	\$	1,138,826 \$	6	849,131	Membership dues	572,560	632,252
Receivables		47,081		86,417	Product sales	12,858	8,825
Prepaid expenses		39,003		53,316	SAGE dues & other revenue General sponsorship	128,039 2,925	145,673
Inventory		5,913	_	10,829	General sponsorship	2,923	-
Total current assets		1,230,823		999,693	Total revenues	3,998,208	4,051,643
Investments at fair market value (board designated reserve)		5,343,665	5	5,205,701	OPERATING EXPENSES		
					Conferences & Workshops	2,709,818	2,704,759
Property and Equipment					Membership, login:	387,520	428,755
Office furniture and equipment		477,724		464,569	Projects & GoodWorks SAGE	291,935 164,111	229,239 208,757
Less: accumulated depreciation		(421,264)	***	(380,152)	Management and General	457,473	441,554
Net property and equipment		56,460		84,417	Fund Raising	97,782	112,885
Other assets		206.515		328.014	Total operating expenses	4,108,639	4,125,949
			_		Net operating surplus/(deficit)	(110,431)	(74,306)
	\$ 6,837		6,837,463 \$ 6,61		NON-OPERATING ACTIVITY		
		0,001,100	=	0,017,020	Donations	0	50
					Interest & dividend income	171,766	161,436
					Gains & losses on marketable securities	32,907	199,495
					Investment fees	(59,267)	(66,348)
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS					Other non-operating	(20,197)	(2,313)
Current Liabilities			_		Net investment income & non-operating expense	125,209	292,320
Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$	589,575 S	\$	312,556		44770	
Accrued taxes payable Contributions held for OpenAFS		1,200			Increase/(decrease) in net assets	14,778	218,014
Deferred Revenue		40,000		3,060	Net assets, beginning of year	5,974,195	5,756,181
Total current liabilities		641,975	-	315,616	Not account, beginning or your	0,071,100	0,700,101
					Net assets, end of year	\$ 5,988,973 \$	5,974,195
Long-term Liabilities		206,515		328,014			
Net Assets							
Unrestricted Net Assets		5,988,973		5,974,195			
Net Assets		5,988,973	_	5,974,195			
	\$	6,837,463	\$	6,617,825			
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USENIX ASSOCIATION STATEMENTS OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES For the Years Ended December 31, 2005 and 2004

		Conferences and Workshops	Programs and Membership	Student Programs, Good Works and Projects	SAGE	Total Program	Management and general	Fund Raising	Total Support	2005 Total	2004 (Unaudited) Total
Operating Expenses											
Conference & workshop-direct	* \$	1,878,613 \$	\$	\$	\$	1,878,613 \$	\$	\$	0 \$	1,878,613	1,855,355
Personnel and related benefits:											1
Salaries		510,820	124,085	17,541	73,607	726,054	209,682	66,623	276,305 o	1,002,359	1,048,123
Payroll taxes		38,013	9,234	1,305	5,478	54,030	15,604	4,958	20,561 0	74,591	101,586
Employee benefits		106,647	25,906	3,662	15,367	151,582	43,776	13,909	57,686	209,267	208,898
Membership/products			8,068			8,068			0	8,068	8,254
Membership/login:			137,433			137,433			0	137,433	164,866
SAGE expenses	٠				52,061	52,061			0	52,061	39,630
Student programs, Good											1
. Works, and projects				263,473		263,473			0	263,473	200,083
General and administrative	•	175,725	82,794	5,954	17,598	282,071	188,411	12,292	200,703	482,775	499,154
	\$	2,709,818 \$	387,520 \$	291,935 \$	164,111 \$	3,553,384 \$	457,473 \$	97,782 \$	555,255 \$	4,108,639	4,125,949

USENIX ASSOCIATION STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS For the Years Ended December 31, 2005 and 2004

2005 2004 (Unaudited) CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES Change in net assets 14.778 \$ 218.014 Adjustments to reconcile increase in net assets to net cash provided by/(used for) operating activities: 41.524 58.485 Depreciation Depreciation
Net investment income designated for long-term purposes
Realized & unrealized gains on investments
Decrease in receivables
Decrease in inventory
Decrease/(Increase) in prepaid expense (105.057) (89.553) (32,907) 39,336 4,916 14,313 (199,495) 4,848 5,690 (28,907) Increase in accrued expenses Increase in accrued taxes Increase/(Decrease) in deferred revenue 277,019 204,520 11,200 38,140 (9,940) Total adjustments 288,484 (54,352) Net cash provided by operating activities 303,262 163,662 CASH FLOWS PROVIDED BY/(USED FOR) INVESTING ACTIVITIES: Purchase of investments Sale of investments Disposition of equipment Purchase of properly & equipment (2,423,109) 2,423,109 1,643 (2,832,308) 2,832,308 (15,210) (20,029) Net cash used for investing activities (13,567) (20,029) 289,695 Net change in cash & equivalents 143.633 Cash & equivalents, beginning of year 849,131 705,498 Cash & equivalents, end of year \$ __1,138,826 \$ ___849,131

Chart 1: USENIX Member Revenue Sources 2005

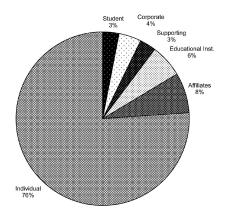


Chart 2: Where Your 2005 Membership Dues Went

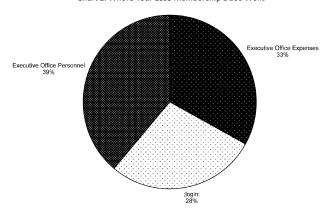


Chart 3: Student & Support for Other Programs Expenses 2005

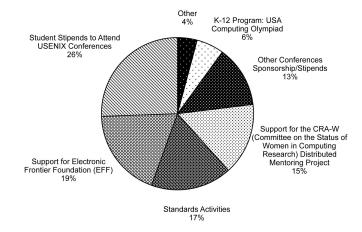


Chart 4: USENIX Administrative Expenses 2005

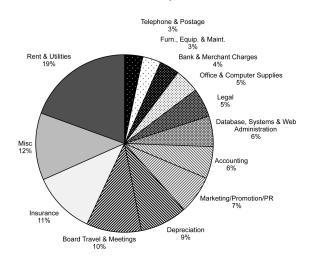
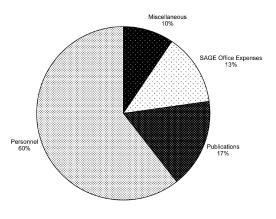


Chart 5: SAGE Expenses 2005



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SUMMARY OF USENIX BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS AND ACTIONS

ELLIE YOUNG, Executive Director

The following is a summary of the actions taken by the USENIX Board of Directors from March through June 30, 2006.

CONFERENCES

A proposal from Dan Geer to colocate and sponsor a first-time securitymetrics.org workshop at USENIX Security '06 was approved.

CRA IMAGE OF COMPUTING TASK FORCE

USENIX will contribute \$10K in 2006 toward funding a full-time professional to develop messages and deliver strategies to create a more positive image of computing as a career. Other sponsors, such as Microsoft, HP, ACM, and CRA, will provide funds as well.

SPONSORSHIP

It was agreed that USENIX would sponsor the 2006 BSDCan conference at a \$5,000 level. It also was agreed to support the 2006 Grace Hopper Women in Computing Conference at a \$10,000 level.

NEW SUPPORTING/SPONSOR-SHIP CLASS

It was agreed to create new levels of sponsorship: Supporter, \$5,000; Partner, \$6,000–\$49,000; Patron, \$50,000 and up. For information on the benefits offered at each level, please contact cat@usenix.org or ellie@usenix.org.

FINANCES

Registration fees for the 2006 Security Symposium were raised by \$20 to cover an anticipated shortfall in revenue for the event.

To keep up with rising costs, the registration fees for the LISA '06

technical sessions were raised by \$20/day; workshop fees will be \$150.

Booth fees for vendors will be raised for the first time in four years, by \$195, effective Sept. 1.

A new remuneration package for tutorial instructors was approved.

It was moved to thank everyone involved in the successful audit of the 2005 finances.

A revised budget was approved. It has a projected deficit and includes spending up to \$50,000 for a feasibility study and subsequent migration to another database system for the Association.

AWARDS

It was agreed to work with the membership in instituting some new awards. Evard and Cole will put together a proposal.

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

A proposal to change the USENIX policy document to reflect the current situation regarding Special Interest Groups and the status of SAGE and to remove the old language related to Special Technical Groups was adopted, as follows:

10. Special Interest Group: SAGE SAGE is a Special Interest Group of the USENIX Association. Its goal is to serve the system administration community by:

- Establishing standards of professional excellence and recognizing those who attain them
- Promoting activities that advance the state of the art or the community
- Providing tools, information, and services to assist system administrators and their organizations
- Offering conferences and training to enhance the technical and managerial capabilities of members of the profession

SAGE is a class of membership within USENIX. Members can

join SAGE in addition to their USENIX membership or join as a SAGE-only member.

SAGE SIG governance: SAGE is overseen by a subcommittee of the USENIX Board of Directors. The USENIX staff and SAGE members develop and deliver benefits and programs.

NEXT MEETINGS

The next regular meetings of the USENIX Board of Directors will be held on August 3–4 in Vancouver, B.C., Canada, and on December 5 in Washington, D.C.

2006 USENIX AND STUG AWARDS

USENIX LIFETIME ACHIEVE-MENT AWARD AWARD

The 2006 "Flame" Award was awarded to Radia Perlman for her many contributions to networking in routing (link state distribution), as well as in security (sabotage-proof networks). In particular, USENIX acknowledges Dr. Perlman's work in developing the spanning tree algorithm that is de rigueur in all LAN products in use today. She is currently a Distinguished Engineer at Sun Microsystems.

SOFTWARE TOOLS USER GROUP AWARD

The 2006 STUG Award was given to Bram Cohen for his work on BitTorrent, one of the most popular file distribution methods on the Internet. USENIX feels that BitTorrent is a software tool that, like the namesake of this award, provides "significant enablement" to users of the Internet and makes files, regardless of content, much more widely available to all.

For more information on these awards, see www.usenix.org /about/flame.html and www.usenix.org/about/stug.html.