Board Finance Committee (BFC) Report

Report on current and recent activities

Ramaraj Chair

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Board Finance Committee Members

- Gonzalo Navarro
- Rajasekhar Ramaraj (Chair)
- George Sadowsky
- Bruce Tonkin (Observer)



FY11 Operating Plan and Budget

- Process. Framework posted before Nairobi. Draft posted on 17 May.
 - Community feedback more extensive than ever
- Expense overruns. FY10 Operating expenses to exceed budget
 - New required commitments (e.g, Exec team, IRP costs, Security)
 - > Cost containment efforts engaged, tightened costs where possible
 - > Essential activities preserved with focus on balancing priorities
 - Still positive contribution to Reserve Fund
 - > Will report fully after audit is complete
- Financially strong. ICANN's reserves over \$45 million; in the black
 - Finance Committee, as planned, initiating annual review of investment policy
- Planning process. Discussed revising current process
 - > Allow more time for fiscal budget resource balancing/prioritizing
 - More formally SO/AC chair involvement
 - Committed to early SO/AC input for FY12 budget



Improvements in Accountability and Transparency

- FY10 was "year of financial reporting": dashboard/website reporting increased:
 - Monthly financial performance
 - Functional and Expense Area Group (EAG) reporting
 - Reserve Fund performance
 - Investment policy performance
 - Travel support by meeting by person
 - Board member expenses
 - Compensation
 - And more
- Developed Cost Accounting Guidelines, now posted on ICANN's website
- Developed Procurement Guidelines, now posted on ICANN's website
- Posted IRS's Form 990, revised with more disclosures



Thank you