

PostgreSQL Community Association

2024 Leadership Meeting

PostgreSQL Community Association Mission

Special purpose entity to focus entirely on intellectual property matters

Maintain and protects assets (trademarks, domain names, but not code) for the PostgreSQL project

Source Code copyright is held by the individual contributors not PGCA

Who we are

Canadian Not for Profit

Dave Page, Steve Singer, Jonathan Katz, Jaime Casanova, Peter Eisentraut, Marc Fournier

Membership is determined by the board(Present and past board members)

Why Trademarks Matter

Ensures fair use of PostgreSQL brand assets

Failing to police trademarks can result in losing them

Keeps PostgreSQL free and open source

License Agreements

We can allow but control uses beyond fair use

Example: Brand names involving Postgres need to be licensed

Standard license templates but companies often want modified terms

Key Activities

Oppose Trademark Registrations

Ask that the trademarks be used properly

Licensed where needed

2023 Highlights

Fundación PostgreSQL conclusion

Trademark Oppositions & Cease & Desists

Donor Recognition Program

Why we try to work in private

Public statements can have legal consequences

We would rather work with partners to comply over public shaming

Some unlicensed uses are because we have limited capacity(time/money)

2023 Financial Highlights

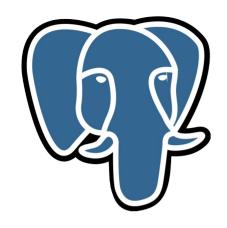
Income	
Donations	\$7,025
Restricted Grants(SPI)	\$21,904
Cost Recovery	\$2,719

Expenses	
Professional Fees(Legal, Accounting)	\$40,765
Bank Charges	\$559
Domain Names	\$523

Net Loss: \$11,207

Donor Recognition Program

		(Minimum Donations in USD)
Benefactor	Expand PGCA's mission	\$20,000
Patron	Ensure PGCA's ongoing operations	\$10,000
Supporter	Support maintenance of domains	\$5,000
Friend		\$2,500
Donor	All donations are appreciated	<\$2,500



Questions

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