# 2020 TAC Chair Election

## Information on the TAC Chair Role

The TAC will elect from amongst the voting TAC members a chairperson for a term of one year. The TAC shall hold elections to select a TAC Chair annually; there are no limits on the number of terms a TAC Chair may serve.

**Responsibilities**

The primary responsibility of the TAC Chair is to lead the TAC in fulfilling its responsibilities as outlined in section 7 of the LF Networking Fund Charter and to be responsible for:

- Leading TAC meetings;
- Representing the TAC and the technical community within and outside of LFN by:
  - Should the TAC chair be unable or unwilling to serve as the TAC representative to the Governing Board the vice-chair will serve as the TAC representative to the Governing Board
  - Note: SPC Charter specifies the TAC governing board rep serves on the SPC
  - Serving as the TAC representative to the Governing Board
  - Participating in other communications as necessary within and outside LFN

These responsibilities may be delegated to another member of the technical community.

## Election Mechanics

## How to nominate yourself

The election process occurs in two phases; the Nomination phase, and the Election phase.

### Self Nomination Phase

Individuals interested in running for this position must update this wiki page with their biography and statement of intent on why you would be a good person to hold this position.

The nomination phase begins 20 May 2020 and will conclude on 03 Jun 2020 17:00 PDT. A two calendar week from the time of the announcement.

### Election Phase

If there are multiple nominees: A Condorcet election will be initiated by the LF using the CIVS voting system.  All TSC members will receive an invitation to vote. In the case of multiple candidates the timing is as follows:

- The election phase will begin on with the distribution of the CIVS poll via email
- The election phase will end four (4) full business days later in the same time zone the poll was initiated from (typically PDT).

## Information on Candidates

**Name**:
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**Company:** (Optional)

**Short Biography**:

**Statement of Intent**:

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**Name**: Jason Hunt

**Company:** IBM

**Short Biography**:  I am a Distinguished Engineer at IBM and have worked in the telecommunications industry for 20 years, including the past 7 years focused on SDN/NFV. In addition to my role as the LFN TAC chair, I have also served on the ONAP TSC since its inception, and I lead IBM's open source networking efforts.  My technology focus areas are cloud, edge, and responsible use of software.

**Statement of Intent**:

I would like to humbly self-nominate for the LFN TAC chair position.  I have served as TAC chair for the past year and have had the honor of representing the community at developer events and on the governing board.  During this time, I believe the TAC has made good progress in contributing to the overall mission of Linux Foundation Networking.  We have established a project lifecycle process that encourages new projects to join while ensuring that LFN's limited resources are allocated according to a project's maturity.  This process is supported by solid governance for project health & advancement reviews.  Additionally, the TAC has focused on the LFN community as a whole, authoring a strong technical whitepaper positioning LFN projects in the broader ecosystem (thank you Ranny Haiby for your leadership!) and working with the Strategic Planning Committee (SPC) to allocate funding for joint developer events with specific cross-community collaboration.


I would enjoy the opportunity to continue this progress with the LFN community as the TAC chair. I believe there is more work to be done to foster collaboration with external open source and standards communities, building on the success of some of the LFN projects. I would also encourage the TAC to re-organize its structure to facilitate broader participation and community representation.  Such a structure would position the TAC to better address challenges around IT infrastructure and growth of the community.


Thank you for your consideration.

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