OpenBao sub-project weekly status meeting

March 21, 2024









Meeting information:

Every non-holiday Thursday morning at 8am PT/11am ET for 30 minutes until OpenBao becomes a standalone project, then re-visit

Zoom link -

https://zoom-lfx.platform.linuxfoundation.org/meeting/94640473133?password=34a5aead-a ef2-4a39-9e91-c16082afcfc5

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Agenda

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Welcome and team updates

- 16 PRs merged in the last week.
- LF Edge TAC has accepted Openbao.
 - Voting has progressed to the governing board.
- Georgia Tech OSPO summer internships.
 - 99 applicants. 20-25 will be accepted as paid interns. Overflow are welcome to participate un-paid.
- 99 app
 ONE Summit Demos.

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Proposals, GitHub issues, and opens

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- Alpha Release tentative 2024-03-29.
 - Tagged v2.20240329-alpha?
 - Signing is not fully implemented. Future development releases can have full signing.
 - Public announcement to be done at ONE Summit in May.
- Redis license change to source-available.
 - Remove plugin support?
- Future proposal for community roles. Will be formalized into future Technical Charter.
 - Requirements for gaining/losing roles?
 - Permissions?
 - Roles? (Maintainers, Issue triage, etc)





Next Meeting ...

March 28, 2024







Back Matter





Who is working on what?

- Andrew Savchyn -- "ops things"
- Alex Scheel -- getting OpenBao to build and some architecture issues like plug-ins
- Dominic Ferramosi -- CI/CD and release mgmt
- Jan Martens -- updating the documentation
- Joe Pearson -- business development and administrivia, reviewing non-code
- Nathan Phelps -- reviewing PRs and dependencies, discussions
- Robert Kregloh -- the website
- Dan Ghita development and architecture of crypto and security

What are our pressing needs?

- Decisions on proposals first
- Testing
- Project Management (tracking all the work, status, gaps, standups?)

- Architecture
- What types of development?



Proposed Roles

- (1) Project Manager runs meetings, compiles agenda, speaks for the project, temporary role until TSC seated and elects Chair
- (1) Product Manager fields and validates feature requests, works with feature sponsor user(s), ensures issues created for vulnerabilities, compiles feature roadmap, fields security requests
- (2) Documentation ensures features are documented, documentation site created and consistent

- (2) DevOps builds and maintains automation and release artifacts
- (4) Developer works on code issues: bugs and features, keeps documentation in sync with code changes





Proposed Mission Statement

Here is a first draft. Feedback and improvements welcomed.

OpenBao exists to maintain and improve a software solution to manage, store, and distribute sensitive data including secrets, certificates, and keys. The OpenBao community will provide this software under an OSI-approved open-source license, led by a community run under open governance principles.



