

## Committee squared motion

BIRT the ad hoc committee of committees become a permanent committee with the following mandate:

(1) Conduct a bimonthly caucus of the committees. The caucus will serve several purposes:

- to help the committees to work together, network, and generally build a sense of community among themselves;
- to provide support to the committees, particularly to help them deal with any problems that they may be having in fulfilling their mandates, for example through group discussion, problem-solving techniques, making available additional resources, etc.;
- to restructure the reporting relationship between committees and the Board;
- to improve communication between the committees and the Board, in particular, to consult with the committees about impending Board decisions that may affect them;
- to formalize the accountability of the committees to the Board, for example, to help the Board to keep track of committees' progress toward specified objectives;

(2) Review the existing committees and a number of unresolved questions related to the role of committees within Karma, including their structure, mandate, scope, membership, relationships with the Board and GM, operations, member labour credit, accountability and transparency.

### Operational concerns:

#### Membership:

- The following committees will participate in the caucus of committees: orientation, events, web, food issues, member labour, Chronicle, finance, governance.
- Each committee will appoint one representative to attend the caucus meetings.
- The committee of committees will be composed of, additionally, up to three members.
- The committee of committees will appoint a Chair who will direct the work of the committee and chair the committee caucuses.

#### Meetings:

- The committee of committees will meet monthly. Every second month, this meeting will be the caucus of the committees.

#### Accountability:

- The Board will appoint one or two liaisons to the committee of committees. This Board member(s) will serve as liaison to all of the committees. This liaison structure will replace the previous one in which each committee was assigned a Board liaison.
- The liaison(s) will report bimonthly to the Board on all issues related to any of the committees that need to be brought to the Board's attention.