Technical governance improvement

Board request for feedback

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Motivations for change

- OPNFV is uniquely positioned in networking to bridge the standardization and open source domains.

- This duality establishes unique demands to address both:
  - The open source nature of OPNFV, and;
  - To resolve outstanding architectural and technological issues related to NFV (e.g. documentation, technical discussions spanning various open source communities)

- We wish to ensure that we are able to maximize merit-based participation that rewards technical effort, while achieving the interests of the stakeholders and that of the technical community.

- While our TSC working with the technical community has done a valiant job performing all these roles, while progressing the OPNFV releases and the support infrastructure, We are exploring how modifications to the current structure might help further our goals.

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Some feedback from the OPNFV Community

- Open Governance Model
  - TSC is made up of representatives from the platinum sponsors, and so is not exclusively merit-based.
  - Committer-at-large seats are available but the TSC is already very large. As such, these seats provide limited value and visibility

- Open Technical Decision Making
  - The duality of roles in the TSC requires it to run the overall project, release train, as well as to provide technical oversight, may obscure the intent of the decision making.
  - The size of the TSC can inhibit effective decision making.

- Open Arch / Design Discussion
  - Discussion occurs in a variety of forums making it more difficult than necessary for community members to follow the dialog
  - No single entity "owns" the discussions at this time

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Feedback Requested

- We would like to solicit your feedback:
  - We would like to assess if there is a need for change.
  - We would like to hear what you recommend to make participation in OPNFV more attractive for developers.
- So please send feedback to the board via <email group>.

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