

# Community Meeting Notes (16 March 2016) - Onboarding into the Fluid Community

Mailing List thread: [fluid-work](#)  
Original captured on [Viking Pad](#)

- Examples of communities that have a good process
  - <http://hood.ie>
    - well designed site, specifically contribution page
    - dashboard of recent work
    - code of conduct
  - <http://code4lib.org/>
    - well organized
    - concise about page
    - code of conduct
    - Indoctrination document: [https://docs.google.com/document/d/1m-9VtL7L\\_fUxl2hTF\\_YZSdFRfucalTmHvLSzom6XPVM/edit?pli=1#heading=h.99orczzg96qj5](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1m-9VtL7L_fUxl2hTF_YZSdFRfucalTmHvLSzom6XPVM/edit?pli=1#heading=h.99orczzg96qj5)
      - inside jokes
  - <https://www.adafruit.com/about>
  - [jquery.com](http://jquery.com)
    - single contribute page that collects all the necessary information in one simple location
      - <http://contribute.jquery.org>
  - <https://github.com/blog/2128-creating-a-new-contributor-on-ramp>
- How do we do things now?
  - <http://idrc.ocadu.ca/about-the-idrc/getinvolved>
- How did you get involved?
  - word-of-mouth
  - attending community meetings
  - mailing lists
  - hired
- What we could do better
  - distinction / overlap of our various projects
    - so many links to lots of projects can be overwhelming
    - easier if have a single project to start with
    - fluid wiki doesn't provide enough information
  - could have wiki page that links all the info for GSoC students (e.g. related to development)
  - could use an introductory level tutorial to infusion and etc.
  - lots of web sites, not sure where to look for what
  - not sure what type of contributions are needed for the various projects (e.g. development, design, research, etc.)
- Who is in our community/Who isn't?
- GSoC Specific
  - having time to code review
  - need wiki gardening for resources that are useful
  - need to have clear language for how to do things, may have language barriers
  - should students use the fluid-work mailing list for introductions or stick to the IRC channel
  - keeping track of CLAs
  - Ask past students to provide feedback on their experience, and to provide information about how they learned to use the various tools and etc.
- Possible solutions
  - Think of Fluid as the umbrella community, and other things like FLOE as projects that are contributed to by it
  - Can have getting involved guides that are specific to the various levels, IDRC, Fluid, etc. and interlink as needed
- Concrete next steps
  - Getting started page specific to GSoC, expectations.
    - if this is more generic it can be used for interns and other volunteers
  - Looking to Get Involved pages for IDRC, Fluid, etc
  - Wiki gardening
  - Glossary of community specific terminology (e.g. inside jokes, inside knowledge, etc.)
  - Timeline of projects