OSI Board Report on ClearlyDefined

Monthly report in preparation for board meeting November 6, 2020

Summary

Our primary engineer for ClearlyDefined who was hired by Microsoft last month is now onboarding and will be doing so for the next month. We introduced the board sponsor, president, and controller for the OSI to Nell on October 26 and agreed to meet again in the beginning of December about next steps for the project and the OSI. We’ve also agreed to present on ClearlyDefined at the OSI’s biannual face-to-face meeting in November.

Resources

Resources for the project are stable; we’ve had no additions or subtractions from the budget this month. The infrastructure costs are all stable as well. We will eventually be evaluating the potential for hiring contractors in the coming months to work on specific projects for us.

Technology

We’ve received multiple reports of 524’s that some users have been seeing on an ongoing basis. One of the engineers working on the project is investigating the root cause. We don’t have a proposed solution yet, but hope to resolve it soon. The service and website have been stable since the brief outage we experienced in October. We’re handling a steady stream (~100/day) of curations that are being submitted and merged on an ongoing basis.

Community

We’ve had two new additions to the curation community who have now been granted merge permissions on the repo for curations. They each have reviewed over 500 curations and have more than 6 months they’ve been involved with the project. Their elevation to merge permissions was approved at the curation biweekly meeting.

Upcoming goals

1. We’ll continue onboarding Nell and handing over control of the project over the next month.
2. We aim to have more work done on a roadmap for the project over the next month that will help guide the next 6 months of development work with the community.
3. We discussed reintegrating the noticeme tool that was forked by the Houdini Project on our biweekly call and may try to find time to do that work in the coming month.