FOSS and the Enterprise:

Now What?

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Before we get started.
“Time is short, and so is this deck. It’s all good, there’s a Q&A at the end.”

– Mitch Pirtle, frantically finishing his slides while @jonobacon talks
Who am I?
Your humble speaker.

• Starting companies since 1994. Contributing to FOSS far longer.

• FOSS contributions: Vague memories of the Linux 1.x kernel, ALSA drivers, NCSA webserver, PostgreSQL; more recently Joomla founder, MongoDB, many other random commits

• Enterprise experience: Apple, Sun, MTV Networks, National Geographic, US West, Microsoft, Sequent, Food Network, Kuehne & Nagel, Capital One

• Industries: Telco, Government, Finance, Tech, Broadcasting, Logistics, Manufacturing, Medical Research, Nonprofits
Who are you?
You attended the @jonobacon session on community, right?
What is FOSS?
It is about:

- Community
- Collaboration
- Inclusion
- Transparency
- Honesty
- Unity
…all of which the Enterprise could learn a great deal from.
Ok Enterprise, first we got some ground rules.
We’ve been doing this for a long time.
Licenses? We got those.
Know your licenses

• Permissive (BSD, MIT): Protects the freedom of the consumer/developer

• Copyleft (GPL, AGPL): Protects the freedom of the software

• Proprietary/Public Domain: Protects no one
What kind of project is it, anyway?
Type of project

• Existing public project
• New public project
• Existing internal project
• New internal project
It’s totally ok to start small.
It’s okay to start out in the open, too.
Release early, release often!
You don’t have to code, either.
One last thing.
One last thing about diversity.
Now to some slightly technical stuff.
Don’t restrict your engineers, educate them.
Containers!

- Simplify your CI/CD pipeline
- Simplify your auditing/scanning processes
- Greatly reduce efforts for deployment and maintenance
Vendor-neutral tooling

• Centralize internal applications
• Better support for CI/CD pipelines
• Leverage multi-vendor public cloud
• Simplify automation - test, scan, etc
DevOps is NOT a group.
DevOps is NOT a title.
DevOps in 2017

• ...is part of your implementation team, from the very start

• ...is everyone’s responsibility

• ...will keep engineering and operations on the same page (and on the same team)
Q and A
Thank you very grazie.

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