Hi all,

Sorry for the delay on this. Last Friday I was essentially disabled by
allergies + antihistamines + sleep deprivation (all I could do after our
meeting was sleep or stare off into space the rest of the day). Then I had
to be away all weekend. Today I'm fine(?) - I don't understand why some
days are so much worse than others. Anyway, I apologize for whatever
stupid things I said in the meeting.

Here is a first pass at the wording of an addendum to our proposal to NeXT.
Please let me know your gut feeling as to its reasonableness. The way I've
written it, I think it looks like CCRMA is providing "matching effort" or
more. In reality, I do not plan to spend very much time on the release,
and only students genuinely interested in it are expected to get involved.
I don't even plan to fix bugs that people with source code can
theoretically fix. I plan to chase only deep system problems that involve
the kernel, and I plan to charge it against my 1 day/week time at NeXT.

BACKGROUND

David Jaffe, author of the NeXT Music Kit, has offered to help CCRMA
prepare the CCRMA Music/DSP distribution which contains the NeXT 3.0 Music
Kit and DSP Tools. From a technical standpoint, David's assistance would
be more efficient and expeditious than anyone else's could be in the short
term. Delays getting the CCRMA/NeXT agreement in place and the anticipated
ramp-up time for a new graduate student are making it appear unlikely that
a quality CCRMA 3.0 release can be made available by the time of the NeXT
3.0 software release. With David's help, the quality of a simultaneous
CCRMA release can be very high. Without David's help, the CCRMA release
will have to go out basically "as is" which means many unfixed bugs and a
lack of testing under 3.0. In particular, the release will likely break
newly emerging third-party products built on top of the Music Kit and DSP
Tools. There is no better person in the world to fix problems in the path
of NeXT music devlopers than David Jaffe.

PROPOSAL

(1) It is proposed that, as an addendum to the CCRMA/NeXT agreement, a one-time fee of $8K be provided by NeXT to CCRMA for the purpose of paying David Jaffe for one full month of assistance in preparing the CCRMA Music/DSP distribution. Time spent on the release by Assoc. Prof. Julius Smith and others at CCRMA will be provided by CCRMA at no charge to NeXT.

(2) A one-time delta of $2K is proposed for the purpose of compensating David Jaffe as needed for time spent answering questions, helping with bugs, design issues, and generally assisting the new graduate student responsible for ongoing maintenance and gate-keeping for the Music Kit.

What do you think?

Thanks
Julius