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Thread: [Allow Group Owners to Promote Leaders](#)

Night Fury - November 14, 2017, 9:59 am

There is an issue that I believe affects both group owners and the admin.

When an owner wishes to promote someone to leader, they must first contact the admin via PM.

On top of every other matter that needs tending to, the admin also then holds the responsibility of promoting/removing people from leadership ranks that he likely holds no interest in.

Rather than use the current system, which may flood the admin's inbox with unnecessary messages, I believe it would be better if owners were able to have some more control over their asset.

In addition, as a way to be fair to both users at the group level, I believe an e-invite system would work best to promote an individual.

When it comes to removal, the owner could remove a leader with the click of a button.

As to how the suggestion would work in tangible form, the owner of a group could have access to a separate panel for leadership.

In simple text form, it would work something like this:

Leaders for [Insert Group]:

[Person 1] x [Person 2] x [Person 3] x [Person 4] ~ (x) [vacant] +

The purpose of the "x" should be pretty understandable for anyone, but if not, it would just allow the owner to remove someone from a leadership position if the need ever arises.

The "~" would display to the owner that the invitation for leadership in the group has been sent, but it has not yet been acted upon by the invitee. The user that receives the invitation could decide whether they wish to reject or accept the invitation. However, if the owner wishes to cancel the invitation after they send it, they can simply press the "x" located next to the tilde (~).

The "+" would open up a prompt where the owner could then send an e-invite to someone, by username or UID, for leadership in the group.

To recap, this system would:

1. Eliminate the message load of the admin.
2. Let the admin tend to matters that he is actually concerned with.
3. Create a more peer-to-peer connection between users when it comes to promotion.

This would lead to an overall decrease in burden for all parties involved in the group-promotion process.

Lrrr - November 14, 2017, 10:13 am

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If he likes the idea but doesn't have the time or expertise to make this happen, I'd be happy to pay for someone to help him.

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CPA Exposé - November 14, 2017, 11:52 am

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But did you suggest it in a way that was tangible? That's what I've done. I've laid out a suggestion that is more than just saying: "Lemme appoint/remove my group's leaders."

The rest of your response seems like somewhat of a bleak outlook on life. I don't really see how that benefits the discussion in any way. Regardless of how you perceive the status of groups, they still exist on the forum. Additionally, no matter the platform, I believe this could be an improvement that would benefit all parties involved.

Besides that, he just reopened this section. In doing so, I'd presume that implies he is willing to hear from his members about ways he can improve his forum.

The hopelessness you're exuding doesn't really contribute much in any way.
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With 20 groups on the site, and potentially more down the road, it seems like a prudent and practical measure to take to lighten the admin's load.

I can't speak for the amount of PMs he receives daily, but if anything, this would surely free some time and unnecessary correspondence from his busy schedule.

Soulmate~?? - November 14, 2017, 12:26 pm

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You make some great points here. Thanks for your feedback, Soulmate~??.

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Those are things that reasonably should be left in the admin's control. For example, a userbar could be turned into something vulgar if it didn't go through the admin's approval first.

However, when it comes to this suggestion about leaders, there isn't really any risk involved for any party.

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What do you define as "abuse"? Even if it is a multi that is promoted to leader, how does that harm the forum at large? Regardless, I'm sure a sentence could be added somewhere in the rules that would discourage such behavior.

As far as making it Ub3rs only with a certain amount of posts, I'm going to have to disagree with you there. L33t members can be awesome as well. Look at [this leader](#) in Transcendence. He is a L33t member with only 4 posts, but if ra1d still has him on his team, he must like how he's doing things. Regardless of rank or stats, everyone has the potential to contribute. Setting up arbitrary account-statistic requirements would create unnecessary obstacles for group progression.

Still, thank you for your input, Nevieth.

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One incentive for the admin is that if this is implemented, all discussion regarding groups from there on out would most likely be discussions where the admin is receiving payment for some group change.

Thanks for your feedback, ? Goat ?.

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You will try* to reduce his workload; there is no need for the past tense. Maybe he'll look through your plugin and decide that he likes it. You don't need to expect rejection when the interaction hasn't even occurred yet.

Thank you for offering to make a plugin, and good luck to you with the project, Wires.

Omniscient - November 15, 2017, 8:06 pm

Meshcollider wrote a script for me. I have to make alterations so that it's compatible with MyBB 1.8x. It also has other useful group owner functions too.

It will not be worked on until more is fixed at HF.