

OFA XWG Meeting
August 4, 2016
11am Mountain

1. Roll Call:

Board Members:

Intel / Jim Pappas
Jump Trading / Christoph Lameter
LANL / Susan Coulter
NetApp / David Dale
Oak Ridge / Scott Atchley
Oracle / David Brean
Sandia / Chris Beggio
Unisys / Bill Weber

Also present:

OFA / Jim Ryan
LANL / Parks Fields
Mellanox / Bill Lee
Intel / Woody Woodruff

2. Approval of minutes from last XWG meeting (7/14)

- Tabled until 8/11

3. Old Business:

- Dual License status
 - Everything at LANL is approved for kernel developer and LANL awaiting feedback and approval from Christoph Lemeter and others
 - Resource from LANL for kernel development is available
 - RDMA group will be contracted around 20th of August to determine why NVMe code matters to OFA
- Bylaws
 - Sometime in August this will be addressed in detail
 - Paul – on track and progress has been made
 - Five or six categories of interest to be looked at
- TAC – Diego taking over as chair and email list moderator
 - Jim Pappas is looking for co-chair
 - We need to review the purpose and value of weekly meetings
 - The TAC needs to regroup
- Executive Director funding
 - Phone conversation occurred between Susan Coulter and John Mitchell / Attorney
 - No problem as long as Intel does not earmark the money for ED position specifically
 - Contract states that Intel is paying for special projects within OFA

- Jim Pappas approved PO and it states the language Susan sent in and PO is up to \$35000

3.1. Training materials

- Presentation forthcoming this meeting (need URL)
- Training material should include work done in OFV related to extending verbs
- Some consumers would be using this in classified environments
- Licensing to organizations or individuals, and what are the issues
- Email forthcoming to OFA and OFAPlus lists to answer questions and make progress

4. New Business

4.1. Budget and financial status

- Bill Lee gained detail on OFA financials
- Linux foundation has reformatted financials
- Bill has computed expense and revenue estimates through June
- OFA is on track to break even or maintain a slight reserve
- Stay on track with marketing and plugfest expenses
- Includes payroll for ED position and revenue from Intel
- Invoices will go out to members in November for payment in December to January
- Huawei is in arrears and is not responsive
- Lenovo, Mercury, and SGI non-responsive
- Policy in bylaws regarding non-payment states company has set-aside during non-payment period
- We should add this issue to bylaws update

4.2. RDMA summit in Santa Fe / Linux Foundation

- Christoph is working on RDMA focus meeting
- Developers want to reconvene for another RDMA summit meeting
- Kernel developers and RDMA technologists in attendance
- Targeting first week in November for conference
- Will this remain by invitation only?
- Not known how potential attendees will be invited
- Andrew / LANL developer and Susan Coulter to request invitation
- Sean Hefty and Ira Weiny from Intel to be invited
- List to be provided to Christoph for potential invitees
- Dual licensing issue due to integration of kernel stack and Infiniband driver code

4.3. Location for annual conference

- Bill Lee proposal for Portland as potential location
- Spreadsheet sent with comparison between Portland and Monterey
- Attendees will increase in number
- Government rate of \$151 in Portland Broadway Hilton

- We can adjust quality and quantity of food to adjust registration cost
 - Registration fees in 2015 were \$675 full / 595 early-bird
 - Effort to expand sponsorships to reduce registration cost
 - Criteria includes attractiveness, walkability to sights and services from hotel, and distance to major airport
 - Second half of March 2017 for potential date range
 - We will attempt to avoid the first and fourth week of April due to Israeli holidays
 - LUG organizers are working with us to eliminate overlap in dates
 - Date for LUG is published and is in June
 - Move forward with dates to start call for presentations
 - VTM will organize and coordinate the conference again
- 4.4. Updating <https://www.openfabrics.org/index.php/openfabrics-software.html>
- Shall we task the TAC with redesign of software diagram?
 - The larger issue is that the OFA portal and content and organization needs to be revisited and completed
 - Specifically address the identity of the OFA
- 4.5. Web calendar <https://www.openfabrics.org/index.php/ofa-calendar.html>
- This is an effort to centralize calendar
 - Working group chairs should not be burdened with additional work to manage scheduling of group meetings
 - There are fundamentally two kinds of meetings: public and private
 - Private meetings: MWG, TAC, XWG, board; the portal site explains how to request an invite to private meetings
 - Public meetings (all others) should be on calendar with all meeting information
 - Public groups should be more transparent to encourage participation by those who do not have direct access to dates and times
 - Announcement of calendar forthcoming

Meeting adjourned