

**OFA XWG Meeting**  
**April 13, 2017**  
**11am Mountain**

1. Roll Call:

Board Members:

**At-Large / Jason Gunthorpe**  
**At-Large / Bob Noseworthy**  
Broadcom / Eddie Wai  
**Cray/Paul Grun**  
HPE / Andy Reibs  
Huawei / Daqi Ren  
IBM / Bernard Metzler  
Intel / Jim Pappas  
**Jump Trading / Christoph Lameter**  
**LANL / Susan Coulter**  
LLNL / Matt Leininger  
Mellanox / Gilad Shainer  
NetApp / David Dale  
Oak Ridge / Scott Atchley  
Oracle / David Brean  
**Sandia / Chris Beggio**  
Unisys / Lilia Weber

Also present:

**Intel / Woody Woodruff**  
**Mellanox / Bill Lee**  
**Sandia / Mike Aguilar**  
**OFA / Jim Ryan**  
**LANL / Parks Fields**  
**Intel / Divya**

2. Approval of minutes from meeting on 3/9
- LANL moves to approve
  - Intel Seconds
  - Minutes approved
3. Arbitration Chair for InterOp / Parks Fields
- Parks Fields has agreed to be arbitration chair
  - InterOp starts May 1
4. OFED 4.8 approval / Dual License / roll call for level of concern at BoD meeting ?
- Email vote for 4.8 approval has been rejected
  - The vote for approval for release of OFED
  - The board needs to communicate their acceptance that this issue is solved
  - Jason Gunthorpe asserts that much of OFED user space code is not dual license
  - The licensing of many components is not clear, and this violates bylaws
  - The issue of how to deal with this needs to be resolved
  - The list of tainted files should be included with distribution, if possible
  - The near term and far term solutions are different

- The solution may require the definition of Open Fabrics software
  - The bylaws revision depends on this issue being resolved or not being an issue anymore
  - If OFED is not OFS, then there is no dual-license issue
  - The board can possibly vote to change the relationship of OFED to OFS, more easily than continually voting to violate the bylaws
  - Board members are encouraged to read the relevant sections of the bylaws
  - The bylaws can be amended to omit licensing requirements; however, the bylaws will be renewed wholesale
  - There may be a motion to resolve this by the next board meeting
5. InterOp – discuss/agree on test framework(s) we want UNH-IOL to adopt
- Bringing in Linux distros
    - Suse and Red Hat use different IDE, continuous integration, and testing environments
    - OFA will fund UNH-IOL to integrate and learn frameworks
    - UNH-IOL is working to provide results in a timely manner
    - UNH-IOL prefers to use a distribution agnostic and python-based customized software stack for testing and reporting
    - Discussion will be tabled until UNH-IOL is ready for inter-distribution testing
    - What do the distributions gain? Alpha and Beta testing of their distros with hardware
    - Doug Ledford hopes to get functional testing out of the process
    - Detailed conversation continues at IWG meeting
    - OFA is considering financial support of effort
6. Bylaws
- Discuss officers and terms
    - Paul Grun Bylaws Update Project – Corporation Officers slides
    - Motions
      - Cray - Define the Officers
      - LANL - Officer terms
      - Cray - Nominations and voting
      - Cray - Eligibility and succession
      - Cray - Member meetings
      - Cray – Conduct of board meetings
    - Motions to be submitted at next board meeting
    - Mellanox suggests a motion to include an indemnification clause for directors as well as officers (direct agents)
      - Ref: bylaws section 21.6 indemnifies officers, not directors
      - Ref: bylaws section 21.5
      - Term limits are not included
    - Individual bylaws amendments are compiled as a series of motions, to be compiled and revised wholesale, rather than a rewrite of the bylaws with each amendment
    - Should XWG meetings include corporate votes?

## 7. Meeting adjourned

8. Not discussed - Budget planning for 2018
  - 8.1. What is the right amount of “on-hand” funds?
  - 8.2. Special Projects Coordinator funding (previously Executive Director)
9. Not discussed - Removing old repos from OFA site
10. Not discussed - Should the OFA sent representatives to industry Conferences / Workshops?
  - Who pays for the travel
  - Which conferences