**OFA Board Meeting**

**May 18, 2017**

**11am Mountain**

1. Roll Call:

Board Members present in **bold**:

**At-Large / Jason Gunthorpe**

**At-Large / Bob Noseworthy**

**Broadcom / Eddie Wai**

**Cray/Paul Grun**

**HPE / Andy Riebs**

Huawei / Daqi Ren

**IBM / Bernard Metzler**

**Intel / Divya Kolar for 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 / Michael Aguilar**

**Unisys / Lilia Weber**

**Also Present:**

**Intel / Paul Bowden**

**Intel / Bob Woodruff**

**LANL / Parks Fields**

**Mellanox / Bill Lee**

1. Approve Board minutes from 5/4
   1. LANL moved, HPE second, unanimous
2. Working Group Reports

EWG: Woody, ofed 4.8, release this week

IWG: PaulB:

* May 17 Debug event successful
  + RHEL 7.3 with OFED\_4.8.RC2
  + Broadcom & Cavium joined the event
  + 1st time running simultaneous iWarp & ROCE fabric tests on a Coexist Server
  + NFSoRDMA tests disabled due to OFED issue
* Effort underway to enable OS Distro/on-demand testing at UNH-IOL

OFIWG: PaulG

* Libfabric 1.4.2 has been released, projecting a 1.5 release during this quarter (hopefully June).
* DS/DA – Delving back into persistent memory topics.

MWG: Bill:

* Closing the finance report for the 2017 Workshop, will be able to report to the board next month
* Published blog on workshop and evolution of the OFA
* Working on joint marketing activities with SNIA/SSSI
* Updating website to better describe the training materials and our licensing policy

1. Treasurers Report: Bill as of April 30, 2017

* Cash Balance: $464,822
* Membership Payment Status
  + 13 out of 15 Promoters (2 are in process)
  + 3 out of 3 Adopters
  + 5 Supporters
  + 1 Individual
* Remaining payments for the plug fest and logo events have been scheduled by the members
* Expenses are meeting budget expectations

1. Officer Nominations: Before discussing nominations for the officer positions, Susan provided some opening comments. Susan offered thanks to Jim for work over the years for the OFA, also saying it maybe not have been clear how much work there was.   
     
   She made these comments to explain why there is a need for broad participation in terms of accepting officer position. Susan has been doing all she can as Chair to live up to the roles and responsibilities. The key takeaway is these 4 officer positions are, collectively, ***the*** leaders of the OFA.
   1. Chair: Susan self-nominates for one more term, Woody seconds
   2. Vice Chair: Susan nominates Paul, who accepts, stating how much he values his close working relationship with Susan
   3. Secretary: Michael Aguilar had earlier volunteered to replace Chris Beggio, his colleague at Sandia. Susan was happy to nominate Michael who accepted.
   4. Treasurer: No one stepped forward to volunteer to serve, which generated a good deal of discussion – captured here to help with the ultimate resolution of this open position.
   * The job description Bill sent out earlier was shared and reviewed.
   * Re producing the annual budget, Susan encouraged active participation with the treasurer.
   * Bill pointed out we have a business manager, so there is no need for that level of activity.
   * The group had to make the decision as to what to do given there were no volunteers during the meeting. Ultimately it was decided:
     + We would move forward with the 3 positions for which there were unopposed volunteers. The fact we don’t have a Treasurer wasn’t seen to be a reason to stop that.
     + Until the position is filled, the work will need to be covered by Susan, Paul and Jim
     + Paul accepted the AR to develop wording to deal with the situation where this is an unfilled officer position – not the case currently.
2. LANL Motion (as amended and voted upon): LANL moves to go into renegotiation with Jim Ryan to contract his services. The renegotiation will include job title, hourly rate and maximum hours per month. At the conclusion of renegotiation, the OFA Board will approve the new contract.   
   Discussion:
   * Susan stated the transition is largely accomplished and the Work Shop is over, so this is a good time to take this on. While Jim was important to the transition, he may still have value to the OFA, leading to a desire to rethink the title, rate, hours and actual responsibilities.
   * Paul continues to argue this should be part of a comprehensive budgeting process, so could be good time to consider this issue.
   * Susan’s motion was seconded by HPE. They agreed to a separation between the contract negotiation and the decision to cease receiving payments from Intel, as explained in the final sentence of the motion.
   * Vote: motion passes
     + Broadcom / Eddie Wai- Yes
     + Cray/Paul Grun - Yes
     + HPE / Andy Riebs- Yes
     + IBM / Bernard Metzler- Yes
     + Intel / Divya Kolar for Jim Pappas- Abstain
     + Jump Trading / Christoph Lameter - Yes
     + LANL / Susan Coulter - Yes
     + LLNL / Matt Leininger - Yes
     + Mellanox / Gilad Shainer- Yes
     + NetApp / David Dale- no response, probably left the meeting
     + Oracle / David Brean- Yes
     + Sandia / Michael Aguilar- Yes
     + Unisys / Lilia Weber- Yes