

OFA Board Meeting
May 24, 2018
11am Mountain

1. Roll Call:

Board Members:

At-Large / Harold Cook
Broadcom / Eddie Wai
Cray/Paul Grun
HPE / John Byrne
Huawei / Daqi Ren
IBM / Bernard Metzler
Intel / Divya Kolar
Jump Trading / Christoph Lameter
LANL / Susan Coulter
LLNL / Matt Leininger
Mellanox / Gilad Shainer
NetApp / David Dale
Oak Ridge / Scott Atchley
RedHat / Doug Ledford
Sandia / Mike Aguilar

Also present:

LANL/Jesse Martinez
Mellanox/Bill Lee
OFA/Jim Ryan
Intel/Paul Bowden
LANL/Parks Fields
Intel/Bob Woodruff

2. Approve Board minutes from 4/19

- A motion to approved the Board minutes from 19 April was made by: Divya Kolar (Intel). The motion was seconded by Scott Atchley (ORNL). The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Working Group Reports

3.1. EWG

- Work is proceeding on OFED-4.17 with a first daily build available for testing. Currently it only runs on the kernel.org 4.17 kernel but work is underway to have the first distro backports for RHEL 7.5 available in a couple of weeks.
- New features are included in the new version of OFED.
 - A Cavium driver to being installed to allow iWARP.

- Hauwei is interested in putting in a RoCE driver into OFED. Hauwei will be backporting their RoCE driver, as well.

3.2. OFIWG

- Initial discussion on QoS and Traffic Classification. More investigation is needed.
- Update on C++ technical specification proposal. Working on developing an example implementation to be used to drive the proposal.
 - A definition has been created for the C++ Fabric object, which maps to the libfabric domain object
- Kicked off the SNIA/OFA collaboration on Remote Persistent Memory
- As part of the above, an overview of the existing High Availability White Paper was presented, along with a call to read and comment on the existing document.

3.3. MWG

- Workshop post mortem completed
- 2019 workshop site search actively going on. Close to finalizing
- Marketing working group brought up the idea of creating a “Gold deck” in our XWG meetings. The idea for this deck/slide set is to talk about who we are, what we do and how we do the things we do. In the past couple of meetings MWG took a shot at creating this deck. Still in draft state and hence requesting feedback.
 - This deck will be used for OFA relaunch activities, our website and marketing events. Please let me know any feedback you have via email for now. I will bring this to XWG review when I have initial round of feedback incorporated

3.4. IWG

- Looking forward to testing the next OFED release because of the quantity of new features.
- Vendors are creating more demand for debug related events as opposed to InterOp related events.

4. Treasurers Report

- Under GAAP accrual accounting we had net income of \$71,186, resulting in an increase in equity to \$391,287 on the balance sheet. The report also shows \$528,418 in cash.

- Our budget report shows a surplus of \$391,747. Recall this has to be put in the context of the "operating reserve" we agreed to earlier of \$140,000 and a Workshop reserve of \$20,000.
 - Overall, through the end of April, financial results are positive:
 - All of interop/logo fees have been paid and we understand we can expect the same in the next round of testing later this year
 - All of the membership dues have been paid with one exception, and we're confident they're working some internal delays
 - As mentioned earlier, we have a reserve for a Workshop loss of \$20,000. The actual loss was \$17,406, but because of the contribution Susan made possible of \$10,000 from LANL, that number was brought down to \$7,406. Note we have no reason to believe this contribution can happen again next year.
 - The ED is billing 22% below budget
- Comments/question/requests are more than welcome, whether to the group or to me individually. Also, I'll send the actual reports to anyone who wants to see them.

5. Discussion on open Chair position

- Susan will be retiring from Los Alamos. Thus, Susan will not be pursuing the open OpenFabrics Chair position.
- **Paul Grun is nominating himself for the open Chair position.**

6. Vote to approve new lawyer

- We wanted to have a more experienced attorney representing the OpenFabrics Alliance.
- A motion to approve a new lawyer, Brad Biddle, was made by Susan Coulter (LANL). The motion was seconded by Paul Grun (Cray).

The motion was approved unanimously.

7. Vote to approve quorum/good standing rules for bylaws modification

- Cray moves the following:
 - A Director shall be considered in good standing if:**
 - He or she has participated in at least three of the previous five duly announced meetings, not including the current meeting, or
 - He or she is a newly appointed Director
 - Once lost, good standing is restored at the end of the second consecutive meeting attended by that Director. Attendance by proxy or by delegate is not counted toward restoring good standing.

- Director in good standing shall have the privilege to assign a proxy to vote on his/her behalf and to assign a delegate to represent him/her on any matter that may come before the Board.
- A motion to approved the Bylaw change was made by: Paul Grun (Cray). The motion was seconded by Doug Ledford (Red Hat).

The motion was unanimously approved.

- Cray moves the following:

For the purposes of conducting a Board meeting a quorum is defined as the minimum number of Directors (or delegates) present to make the results of the meeting valid.

- A motion to approved the Bylaw change was made by: Paul Grun (Cray). The motion was seconded by Scott Atchley (ORNL).
- **The motion was approved by vote.**

- Cray moves the following:

For any given meeting of the Board of Directorss, each Director in good standing is counted toward quorum for that meeting and is eligible to vote on any matter before the Board at that meeting. A Director who is not in good standing is not counted toward quorum for that meeting and in ineligible to vote at that meeting. He or she may participate in any other Board activities.

For any one meeting, a Director who is in good standing may assign his or her vote to a proxy by posting a notice to the appropriate mailing list prior to the start of the meeting. The proxy need not be a representative of the Promoter Member's organization. For purposes of quorum and attendance, that Director is not considered present.

For any one meeting, a Director who is in good standing may assign a Delegate to act in that Director's place in all matters before the Board by posting a notice to the appropriate mailing list prior to the start of the meeting. A Delegate must be a representative of the Director's Promoter Member organization. For purposes of quorum and attendance that Director is considered as present for that meeting.

A Director may be excused by notifying the meeting Chair prior to the start of the meeting. An excused Director is not counted toward quorum but is counted as present for participation purposes.

- A motion to approved the Bylaw change was made by: Paul Grun (Cray). The motion was seconded by Doug Ledford (Red Hat).

The motion was approved by vote.

8. Meetings will now occur, from now on, using the OpenFabrics Zoom account.