**OFA Board Meeting**

**June 20, 2019**

**10am Pacific time**

* Roll Call:

Board Members:

 At-Large / Harold Cook

**Broadcom / Eddie Wai**

**Cray/Paul Grun**

**HPE / John Byrne**

~~Huawei / Daqi Ren~~ (currently suspended)

**IBM / Bernard Metzler**

**Intel / Divya Kolar**

Jump Trading / Christoph Lameter

~~LANL / Parks Fields~~

LLNL / Matt Leininger

**Mellanox / Bill Lee**

**NetApp / David Dale**

Oak Ridge / Scott Atchley

**Red Hat / Doug Ledford**

**Sandia / Mike Aguilar**

Others:

**Jim Ryan**

**Brad Biddle – Biddle Law LLC**

**Huawei / Da qi Ren (Daniel), Liuxiao Peng (Puntar)**

**Huawei/Zhoushuming**

**Huawei/Zhandongtian**

**Intel/Bob Woodruff**

* Opens, Agenda Bashing
* None
* Approve Board minutes from **05/23/19**
* A motion to approved the minutes from 6 June was made by Mike Aguilar (Sandia). A second to the motion was made by Doug Ledford (Red Hat). Bill Lee (Mellanox) abstained from the vote. The vote was approved.
* Officer Elections
	+ Nominee for Vice Chair – Doug Ledford
* **Doug Ledford was elected with Board approval**
* Discussion and vote, impact of Dept of Commerce actions on Huawei’s membership
	+ ***No motion was made.***
* **On the advice of counsel, I took an interim action on 5/22/19 to suspend Huawei’s membership privileges were suspended**
	+ Email notification to our contacts at Huawei, and asking them to cease participation in OFA meeting and Huawei was removed from email reflectors
	+ **The issue was presented to the OFA Board for initial discussion on 5/23/19**
	+ **Met again with legal counsel, Brad Biddle, on 5/28 to discuss further**
	+ Board members were invited to attend
	+ Three Board members (including the Chair) and the Executive Director did so
	+ **Reached a consensus on a recommended course of action WRT Huawei’s membership privileges, but requires Board discussion and approval. The recommendation follows**
* **We have two options:**
	+ Recommended: Fully restore Huawei’s membership privileges
	+ Not recommended: remove Huawei as a member of the OFA
	+ **The recommendation hinges on whether the OFA is an “open” organization akin to the Linux Foundation, or if we have practices and procedures that make us functionally a closed organization**
		- If we are open, we are exempt from the regulations that caused us to remove Huawei’s membership privileges. Counsel and meeting participants agreed to take this position
		- If we are closed, counsel’s position was to comply with government regulations and probably remove Huawei from the OFA
* The Board entered Executive Session to discuss the Huawei Promoter membership.
* Working Group Reports
	+ EWG
* The EWG released OFED 4.17-1 RC2, no new critical/blocking bugs, GA expected by end of June.
* OFED 4.17-1 added distro support for RH7.6 and SLES12.4
* Updated packages include rdma\_core v17.5, opensm-3.3.22, perftest-4.4-0.6, mstflint-4.11.0-4, libfabric/fabtest 1.7.1
	+ OFIWG
* OFIWG released libfabric v1.7.2 and v1.8.0rc1.  v1.8.0 is targeted for end of month and includes support for AWS EFA.
	+ MWG
		- Venue for 2020 workshop has been secured. It is Columbus, Ohio, from March 17-19, 2020, at The Blackwell Inn and Conference Center.
* Q2 Newsletter has been posted; includes by laws update and Workshop 2020 save the date.
* Trying to line up webcast session with MillenniumIT in July
	+ IWG
* There was a highly productive meeting on 6/17. We started with a specific with some implied ARs as copy/pasted below:
* "...Small meeting, just Paul, Jesse and myself. The focus was on verbiage provided by Jesse and updated by Paul during the meeting. Jesse tracked what Paul was doing and was supportive of Paul's proposed structure
* I believe we can expect further text from Jesse and I believe Tatyana has the AR to provide text for what is now section 1.2.2..."
* For the rest of the meeting we discussed OFED. I urge you to review the email I sent on the earlier meeting as a reminder and for context. I believe the key conclusion is as captured in the copy/paste that follows.