

**OFA Board Meeting Minutes**  
**January 26, 2017**  
**11am Mountain**

1. Roll Call (present in **bold**):

Board Members:

**Broadcom / Eddie Wai**  
**Cray/Paul Grun**  
**HPE / Andy Riebs**  
Huawei / Daqi Ren  
**IBM / Bernard Metzler**  
**Intel / Jim Pappas**  
**Jump Trading / Christoph Lameter**  
**LANL / Susan Coulter**  
LLNL / Matt Leininger  
**Mellanox / Bill Lee**  
**NetApp / David Dale**  
Oak Ridge / Scott Atchley  
**Oracle / David Brean**  
**Sandia / Chris Beggio**  
**Unisys / Lilia Weber**

Also present:

**LANL / Parks Fields**  
**OFA / Jim Ryan**  
**Intel / Paul Bowden**

2. Approval of minutes from Dec 15<sup>th</sup> meeting

- Cray moves to accept
- Jump trading seconds
- Minutes approved

3. Marketing Working Group Co-Chair

- OFA chair solicits BoD for MWG co-chair to help MWG chair

4. OFA Budget, Purpose & Priorities – Larger discussion, including but not limited to (hard stop after 30 minutes of discussion):

- Zero-based budgeting approach
- Identify purpose and rank priorities for purposes of funding activities:
  - 2017 Conference funding
  - Membership Levels
  - Executive Director
  - Maintainer Support
  - PlugFest & InterOp Testing
  - OFED support/maintenance
- Cray suggests prioritization of budget items, suggests OFED maintenance as #1 due to OFA purpose, plugfest as #2, conference as #3, ED and maintainer support as #4, membership levels below all

- OFA ED – other expenditures – marketing services, business support services, zero-based budgeting motivates evaluation of priorities each fiscal cycle
- Susan suggests – adding maintainer support, website presence, training to OFA ED - purposes below primary three items, separate conference and interop
- Mellanox – Suggests we not exclude marketing and promotion, i.e. social media, promotion of open source software
- Sandia – Advance the state of the art of highly performant fabrics as purpose and charter
- Facilitate developers and companies who innovate on OFA products
- #1 Enable and facilitate OFED support and maintenance, #5 Keep the lights on (membership)
- Cannot trim alliance operating budget at the expense of higher-priority items
- Treasurer reports that with current draft of budget there will be a \$36,000 surplus
- Treasurer reports that if we don't have an approved 2017 budget he needs some authorization to be able to pay January and February expenses.
- Cray suggests a provisional approval of budget
- Intel needs OFA to account for ED expenses versus Intel contribution
- Intel will end contribution
- Cray moves to approve treasurer to pay OFA expenses through February of 2017
- Intel seconds
- Motion passes without abstention or objection
- Board agreed to take up the review of the budget for approval at the next meeting

## 5. Bylaws

- Vote on current Directors changes
- Principal change from motion at last board meeting
  - At-large directors shall have no voting rights and no contribution toward quorum
- Motion: Board composition
  - Cray moves
  - Intel seconds
  - Roll call vote:
    - Broadcom / Eddie Wai - yes
    - Cray/Paul Grun - yes
    - HPE / Andy Riebs - yes
    - IBM / Bernard Metzler - yes
    - Intel / Jim Pappas - yes
    - Jump Trading / Christoph Lameter - yes
    - LANL / Susan Coulter - yes

- Mellanox / Bill Lee - yes
    - NetApp / David Dale - yes
    - Oracle / David Brean - yes
    - Sandia / Chris Beggio - yes
    - Unisys / Lilia Weber - yes
  - Motion passes
- 6. Officers, membership levels in future bylaws motion
  - Defer discussion of “environment” of OFA
  - Discussion may occur at annual conference
- 7. New business:
  - Workshop – early bird registration closes in a week
  - Three member companies are not currently represented
  - Paul and Jim requested to make suggestion to TPC to get companies registered
- 8. Meeting adjourned