

**OFA Board Meeting
08/16/2018
10am Pacific time**

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 / Parks Fields
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
Intel/Bob Woodruff

2. Approve Board minutes from **07/19/2018**

- A motion to approved the Board minutes from 19 July was made by: Divya Kolar (Intel). The motion was seconded by John Byrne (HPE). The minutes were unanimously approved.

3. Working Group Reports

3.1. EWG – Woody/Arlin

- No report.

3.2. OFIWG – Paul G/Sean

- The OFIWG group has been very active in working the Remote Persistent Memory collaboration.

3.3. MWG – Divya

- After testing our the new Gold Deck, the embargo has been lifted.
- A new website has been implemented for the OpenFabrics Alliance.

3.4. IWG -Paul B

- No report.

4. Treasurers Report – Jim Ryan

- Under GAAP accrual accounting we had a net loss of \$1,089 much less than last month's \$17,754. This resulted in in equity of \$298,015 on the balance sheet and \$382,584 in cash, a slight decrease.
- Our budget report shows a surplus of \$296,785 essentially the same as last month's report. 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.
- 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. Vote to select a new OFA Vice Chair

- Doug Ledford (Redhat) was nominated for the Vice Chair position. A roll-call vote was unanimously approved.

6. Flash Memory Summit Report – Paul Grun

- The OFA/SNIA sponsored a Persistent Mamory over fabrics track.
 - Consisted of 4 ½ hour sessions, Use/Cases (OFA), Commercial Perspective (from DreamWorks), possible applications is the HPC space (Cray), Don Burston (Mellanox).

7. ONUG Alliance opportunity – Jim Ryan

- Possibly a unique Strategic Alliance opportunity for the OFA
- Open Network User Group (ONUG) is a *user-based* SIG, designed to achieve consensus consumer views on how to use specific, interoperable, technology components
 - Several major F500-type companies belong, initial focus in finance
- Vendors are invited to participate in “Working Groups”, which are formed around a specific technology issue or opportunity, that is:
 - Issue based, not
 - Activity based.
- Recommended approach:

- Engage with ONUG to investigate the possibility of joining an existing Working Group or forming a new one – initial impression is this is more likely
- The OFA team would consist of Jim Ryan, responsible for Strategic Alliances, and 1-2 vendor reps *max*

8. GDPR / Document Repository project update – Jim Ryan

- General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) became effective on 28 May 2018. Fines and penalties can be administered by the European Union. We are required to protect information of members.

9. Relaunch Activities update – Divya

- If members of OFA know of any conferences that would be good for OFA exposure, please contact the MWG.
- Jesse Martinez will be hosting an ‘Open MIC’ night in September, 2018.

10. Collaborations Update – Jim R

- SNIA – underway
 - SNIA is working well in collaborating with us.
- Gen-Z – in development
 - We received responses from the legal representative of the Gen-Z consortium.
 - Paul has met with a few members of the Gen-Z consortium.
- Linux Kernel Community
 - Christoph and Divya will be attending the Linux Plumbers Conference in Vancouver, BC (13-15 November).
 - The Linux Kernel maintainers are looking to connect with some of the suppliers of fabrics patches for accessing Remote Persistent Memory about the patches to the kernel.
- IBTA
 - We are looking into collaborating with IBTA on InterOp testing, enhancements to the Verbs API, and Libfabric over the Verbs API.
- DMTF
 - There is a potential fruitful collaboration with DMTF.

- Redfish provides off-platform of compute, storage, network, and Data Center Infrastructure Management.
- Possible work register to be used to drive internal OFA discussion