**OFI Data Storage / Data Access Subteam Weekly telecom – 09/13/2016**

**DS/DA Shared Documents:** <http://downloads.openfabrics.org/WorkGroups/ofiwg/>

**Agenda**

* roll call, agenda bashing
* Results of yesterday’s meeting with the NVMe Inc Board

**Brief overview of upcoming interaction with NVMe SIG**

* Purpose of the meeting was twofold:
	+ Introduce OFA in general to NVMe Inc such that we are on their radar screen for future fabric implementations. Results: it was hard to tell how the technical portion of the presentation was received; there was no overt rejection of anything we said, but Amber Huffman did volunteer to put us in contact with the appropriate technical working group(s).
	+ Address the question of dual licensing. Results: They stated that they are not averse to dual licensing and chose GPL only as a matter of expediency. It remains to be seen if the members of the NVMe technical community have a different reaction.
* The question was asked if the copyright for NVMe code is assigned to e.g. NVMe Inc, or if the author of the code retains the copyright as is usual for kernel code. Jim R. took the AR to investigate.
* Bigger picture: the DS/DA effort, as is usual, requires two things (in addition to the existing code base): it requires provider implementations (today we have only the verbs provider) and it requires a compelling use case/consumer. NVMe is probably an ideal use case. Intel described that it is working on an internal version that is expected to run over Mellanox h/w and over Omnipath gen 1 h/w (verbs based). It is not clear if Intel plans to continue making this open source or will keep it in-house. Stan believes that performance numbers comparing kfabric over verbs against using straight kernel verbs are forthcoming.

**Webex Recording:**

**Next regular telecom:**

Next meeting: Tuesday, 9/27/16

8am-9am Pacific daylight time

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