**OFA Board Meeting**

**May 21, 2020**

**10am Pacific time**

1. Roll Call:

Board Members:

**At-Large / Harold Cook**

**Broadcom / Eddie Wai**

**HPE / John Byrne**

Huawei / Daqi Ren

**IBM / Bernard Metzler**

**Intel / Divya Kolar**

**LLNL / Matt Leininger**

**Mellanox / Gilad Shainer**

**Oak Ridge / Chris Zimmer**

**Sandia / Mike Aguilar**

Others:

**Jim Ryan**

**HPE/Paul Grun**

**IBM/Red Hat / Doug Ledford**

**Sandia/Phil Regier**

**Intel/Tatyana Nikolova**

1. Opens, Agenda Bashing

* State of Affairs for OFA
  + OFA Mission Statement---“The mission of the OpenFabrics Alliane (OFA) is to accelerate the development and adoption of advanced fabrics for the benefit of the advanced networks ecosystem. The mission is accomplished by: creating opportunities for collaboration among those who develop and deploy such fabrics, incubating and evolving vendor independent open source software for fabrics, and supporting and promoting the use of such fabric technology software.”
  + Key Initiatives from 2019
    - Put key structural elements in place
    - Build the OFA;s emerging Alliance Program
    - RELAUNCH with a new Mission Statement
    - Put the OFA on a firm, sustainable footing
  + Key Initiatives for 2020
    - Launch the FSDP Program
    - Complete the OFA’s Legal Foundation
    - Investigaet a new initiative---Management for Composable Fabrics
    - Grow the membership by 20% (2 new members)

1. Approve Board minutes from [4/16/2020](https://downloads.openfabrics.org/WorkGroups/board/minutes_board/2020/OFABoardMinutes_20200416.docx)

* A motion to approved the Board Minutes from 16 April was made by Michael Aguilar (Sandia). A second to the motion was made by Divya Kolar (Intel). The vote was approved.

1. Treasurer’s Report – Jim R (Acting Treasurer)

* No report

1. Working Group Reports
   * IWG – Tatyana Nikolova
   * We continue to work to enable the new service offered by OFA – Fabric Software Development Platform service (this involves discussions, planning, negotiations, estimations, generation of a proposal and supporting documents). Recently Doug Ledford presented a summary of the quotes from hosing sites vendors in the XWG meeting and a projection of the associated costs related to the FSDP. At the today board’s meeting we are going to seek approval from the board so that we can engage in discussions with potential clients about their interest in joining the future FSDP Working Group or using the FSDP service.
   * OFIWG – Sean Hefty
   * OFIWG released libfabric versions 1.10.0 and 1.10.1.  Work is progressing on adding support for GPUs and expanding persistent memory.
   * MWG – Divya Kolar
   * Workshop is virtual through WebEx. This is an open event.
   * The Workshop agenda is on the website.
   * EWG – Arlin Davis
   * **OFED**\_5.x – consensus against “OFED lite”, not enough resources for “OFED full” at this time.
2. Motion – Prelim Approval for FSDP Program [(FSDP proposal)](https://downloads.openfabrics.org/WorkGroups/fsdpwg/OFA%20Interop%20Proposal_2020_0521.pptx)

* A motion to approve the FSDP Proposal was made by Doug Ledford (Red Hat). A second to the motion was made by John Byrne (HPE). The vote was unanimous.
  + **Proposal:**
  + ***The Board provides preliminary approval for the FSDP project as outlined in the slide deck at https://downloads.openfabrics.org/WorkGroups/fsdpwg/. Pursuant to that, the Board authorizes the leadership team to:***
  + ***Pursue contract negotiations with preferred vendors with the intent to narrow the field to a recommended vendor(s) for hosting of the FSDP and maintenance of the cluster, which will then be presented to the Board for approval***
  + ***Engage target companies to solicit commitments to participate in the FSDP and provide hardware for the program***
  + ***Does not imply that the Board is approving the FSDP Program***
* Strengthen the bonds between the OFA and the Upstream OpenSource Linux Community.
* This is an OpenSource project.
* Funding Program is an OFA budgetary expense, support will be raised by the OFA membership levels.
  + General OFA member---Full member
  + Limited OFA member---no voting rights
  + Individual OFA member---accaess to the FSDP cluster
* Start with a 20 node cluster expanding to a 30 node cluster

1. Officer Nominations for Chair and Secretary

* Chair---Doug Ledford,
* Secretary----Michael Aguilar,