**OFA Board Meeting**

**Mar. 21, 2024**

**10am Pacific time**

1. Roll Call:

Board Members:

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| Company | Voting Contact | 19-Oct | 30-Nov | 21-Dec | 18-Jan | 15-Feb | 21-Mar | Good Standing |
| HPE | John Byrne |  | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Huawei | Steve Langridge |  |  |  |  |  |  | N |
| IBM | Bernard Metzler | Y |  | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Intel | Phil Cayton | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| LLNL | Matt Leininger |  | Y | Y |  | Y | Y | Y |
| Mellanox | Gilad Shainer |  |  |  |  |  |  | N |
| Oak Ridge | Chris Zimmer | Y |  | Y | Y |  | Y | Y |
| Sandia | Mike Aguilar | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| Red Hat[1] | Doug Ledford | Y |  | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |
| LLNL[2] | Nathan Hanford |  |  |  | Y | Y |  | N |
| 1 – Doug Ledford is a standing alternate for Bernard Metzeler | | | | | | | | |  |
| 2 – Nathan Hanford is a standing alternate for Matt Leininger | | | | | | | | | |

Others:

Jim Ryan

Paul Grun

Intel / Tatyana Nikolova

1. Opens, Agenda Bashing
2. Approve Board minutes from [Feb. 15, 2024](https://downloads.openfabrics.org/WorkGroups/board/minutes_board_xwg_2024/OFA_Minutes_20240215_Board.docx)

Sandia moves to accept, HPE seconded

Unanimously approved

1. Treasurer update

Ended Feb. with $100k in the bank

Oracle has canceled membership

HPE payment should come through soon™

Argonne is still working on payment. They think they sent it, but we don’t have it.

Roughly $4k over budget so far this year

Will end year with about $20k in the bank this year if nothing changes

Was about $25k at the end of last year, so about a $5k loss over the year

This presumes no net new members to make up for the Oracle loss

1. Update on annual workshop

Raghu is resigning as TPC Chair after this workshop

Once we got into the full breakdown of costs to do in person shared SNIA, the costs were too high, and window for people to book travel was too short, so we went back to a virtual

Email blast was sent out to update people, and the website has been updated to reflect these changes

1. Discussion on the future of the FSDP

We had previously agreed to renew for the 2024 year (Mar 1st 2024 through Feb 28th 2025, signed August 17/18, 2023)

More than willing to work with a different payment schedule

Example of how it \*could\* be used to help community is the fact that set of RDMA sample patches for the REDIS database. UNH-IOL has proposed that they work on a presentation for the workshop that demonstrates the end to end process of taking the REDIS database upstream git repo and running the RDMA patches through a new CI implementation specific to the REDIS database

If we continue with the renewal as agreed we will end the year with about $20k cash on hand

If we terminate the contract early, we would end the year with $20k + however much we save from the early termination

Options:

1. Ask for a contract termination from UNH-IOL. They are not obligated to grant it because we already signed for this year, but they can grant it if they choose. We could then close the FSDP early and save some amount towards budget
2. Renew for this year and understand that we do not intend to renew next year unless the FSDP has started to generate membership revenues, no additional renewal without Board approval next year
   1. Intel, HPE, ORNL, LLNL, Sandia, IBM vote for #2