

**OFA XWG Meeting Minutes**  
**August 25, 2016**  
**11am Mountain**

1. Roll Call:

Board Members:

**Broadcom / Eddie Wai**  
**Jump Trading / Christoph Lameter**  
**LANL / Susan Coulter**  
**Mellanox / Gilad Shainer**  
**Oak Ridge / Scott Atchley**  
**Sandia / Chris Beggio**

Also present:

**OFA / Jim Ryan**  
**Intel / Woody Woodruff**  
**Mellanox / Bill Lee**

2. Approval of minutes

- XWG meeting on 8/11
  - Scott moves to approve minutes
  - Susan seconds
  - Minutes approved

3. Old Business:

3.1. Dual License status

- We have funding for half time for Andrew Shoemaker
- Andrew is interested in kernel tracing
- Andrew is interested in GPL-only code
- Jim Ryan / NVMe – reschedule meeting for 12 Sep. Topics include why NVMe matters and why dual-license matters
- Bylaws
  - Did not get reviewed at board meeting
  - Will be reviewed at Sep. board meeting
- Training materials
  - We had a long conversation at Aug. board meeting
  - Decision was to provide training free to everyone
  - Discussion about how to release for reuse for training providers as users would find more use
  - Legal counsel advice is that those that access it can reuse it as desired with little restriction
  - Two separate offerings, one for internal use, and one for profit, the access for profit will have to be licensed differently and copyrighted
  - Woody / Intel suggests custom license (non-GPL) for both internal and for-profit use
  - Three points of legal issues: copyright, trade secrets, and trademark
  - One option is free for all for all uses, reasons include allowing vendors to create for-profit classes, and secondly does not preclude

OFA from creating additional training materials, and OFA is non-profit

- The objective of this material is to gain and enable new users
- The costs recouped from charging would likely cover development costs
- Easiest option is to apply GPL license, post the materials on the web and be done with it
- The decision as to how to proceed will appear as a motion at the next board meeting
- IWG
  - Inviting Red Hat and Suse in to Plugfest and interop testing
  - Draft presentation has been sent out
  - Plan is to develop process to engage Linux distro vendors, first Red Hat and Suse
- TAC
  - Intent is to gather visionary technologists to discuss path-forward of OFA projects
  - Suggestion to expand membership into other disciplines
  - Put TAC on back burner for the immediate future
- Website
  - Jim is holding meeting next week, Monday Aug. 29, 12:00 Mountain
  - Software portal is a primary topic
  - Suggestion to invite Sean Hefty after sabbatical

#### 4. New Business

- Contact Susan for new business suggestions
- Update on workshop 2017
  - Working with VTM on new venue
  - Monterrey is not available March or April
  - Denver, Austin, and Portland are under consideration
    - Portland seems friendliest to conference
  - Bay Area was not considered
    - Bill will ask VTM to consider Bay Area
    - Fremont suggested
    - Scheduling is getting tight
- Paul Grun will chair next meeting on 9/1

Meeting adjourned