

**OFA XWG Meeting
March 22, 2017
11am Mountain**

- Roll Call:

Board Members:

At-Large / Bob Noseworthy
Broadcom / Eddie Wai
Cray/Paul Grun
HPE / Andy Riebs
Huawei / Daqi Ren
IBM / Bernard Metzler
Intel / Divya Kolar
Jump Trading / Christoph Lameter
LANL / Susan Coulter
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
LANL/Parks Fields
Intel/Bob Woodruff

- Approve XWG minutes from 3/8
 - A motion to approved the minutes from 8 March was made by: Susan Coulter (LANL). The motion was seconded by Paul Grun (Cray). The minutes were unanimously approved.
- Draft Mission Statement discussion/word smithing
 - A tentative Mission Statement for delivery to the OFA Board is as follows:

The mission of the OpenFabrics Alliance is to accelerate the development and adoption of advanced fabrics. We do this by creating opportunities for collaboration among those who develop and deploy such fabrics by incubating, supporting, and evolving new and existing vendor independent open source software for fabrics, and promoting such fabric technologies for the benefit of the advanced networks ecosystem.

- This tentative Mission State was created using the information gained from previous meetings. The information used was:
 - For both existing and emerging fabrics, the OFA:
 - Enables the development of fabric software
 - Provides an infrastructure for collaboration and communication
 - Evangelizes fabric technologies
 - Provides programs such as training, testing, validation, and education
 - Proactively engages with related organizations such as SNIA, Linux kernel communities, and others.
- The XWG continued a detailed discussion designed to lead the XWG/Board toward consensus about the OFA's current mission.
- **This discussion, when concluded, is expected to be the near-culmination of the project to re-structure the OFA's Bylaws.**
- SNIA work register
 - Agreement with SNIA to collaborate.
 - There is a need to review the collaboration with the SNIA board.
 - Special Board meeting on 29 March 2018.