

**Supercomputing Challenge Board of Directors**  
**Meeting Minutes May 5<sup>th</sup> 2012**  
**Santa Fe Institute, Gatehouse**

1. 10:14 am Call to Order
2. 10:14 am Quorum Board Members Present:

Ed Angel	Yes_____
Bill Blackler	Phone_____
Bob Bolz	Yes_____
Tom Bowles	No_____
Ron Davis	Yes_____
Celia Einhorn	Phone_____
Betsy Frederick	Phone_____
Tony Giancola	Phone_____
David Kratzer	Yes_____
Irene Lee	Yes_____
Lorie Liebrock	No_____
Richard Oliver	Phone_____
Bob Robey	Phone_____
David Rogers	Phone_____
Tim Thomas	Yes_____

Others Present:

3. 10:15 am Approval of Agenda  
Mr. Kratzer moved and Mr. Blackler seconded, all voted in favor.
4. 10:16 am Approval of Previous Minutes  
Dr. Angel moved and Mr. Bolz seconded, majority voted in favor, Mr. Blackler abstained as he wasn't at the past two meetings.
5. 10:18 am Treasurer's report  
Checking account balance is \$28,635.89 and the money market account has \$73,794.35 in it. Food cost for \$3,000 still to come in. We drew out \$30K out of the CD (money market account) to cover expenses. We have a \$12,500 invoice in to EPSCoR and at \$1,500 invoice in to CHECS to cover Awards Day expenses. Gary Benn has sent an email with reports. They will be sent out to the board. Mr. Bolz moved and Dr. Thomas seconded, all in favor.
6. 10:28 am Recent Activity and News
  - a. Mr. Kratzer reviewed the Expo and Awards Ceremony activities. He will send the board a copy of his memo to LANL management thanking the 90 LANL employees and 50 others that participated in the event.

- b. Mr. Bolz is going to Austin, Texas to TACC and will talk with them about expanding the Challenge to Texas.
- c. We need to change the rubric to encourage teams and not one-person teams. Discussed other issues that came up with judging. You can't please everyone, but at least 23 of the 58 teams in the Expo received some kind of an award.
- d. Mr. Kratzer and Ms. Einhorn had a Challenge booth at RoboRave at the Albuquerque Convention Center and made several good contacts. There were two bills in the Legislature to support Robotic competitions, for \$300K. Possible advocates for the Challenge might be Peter Wirth from Santa Fe, or Jerry Ortiz y Pino, from Abq.

7. 10:52 am Upcoming Activities

- a. Summer Teacher Institute plans are currently to have a one-week face to face Institute at NM Tech in Socorro, followed by one-week online work and a one-day meeting to present the results of their work.
- b. Mr. Robey following up with the finalist teams to get them to publish their work in professional journals, like the Journal of Computational Science Education.
- c. NCWIT winners and Ms. Einhorn are attending two conferences in Albuquerque, the NM EPSCoR Fire and Water Town Hall and the New Mexico Educators Conference on Common Core Standards.

8. 11:00 am Board membership issues: resignations, additions

- a. Tim Thomas has been nominated to be the new secretary.  
Dr. Angel moved and Mr. Bolz seconded the motion to make Dr. Thomas the new secretary of the Supercomputing Challenge Board of Directors.
- b. Strategic Planning Committee is made up of Bill Blackler, Ed Angel, Tom Bowles, Irene Lee, David Rogers, Tim Thomas. Potential nominees would be Mary Jo Daniel (NM EPSCoR), John Miner (Intel), Bill Michener (NM EPSCoR), Jeff VanDyke and Janeen Anderson (Acaji, Inc).
- c. Finance Committee will be made up of the Treasure (Bill Blackler), Executive Director (David Kratzer), Bob Bolz and Betsy Frederick.
- d. Fund Raising Committee is made up of Tony Giancola, Ed Angel, Ron Davis, potential nominees are Kurt Steinhaus and Carole Rutten (LANL) and Amy Tapia (Sandia), Natasha Martell (Intel), Linda Wedeen (HP).
- e. Marketing and Communications Committee will be made up of Irene Lee, Richard Oliver, Celia Einhorn, potential nominees are Natalie Willoughby (EPSCoR), Sue King and Kathy Pallis (LANL), Jamai Blivin (IE), Terri Nikole Baca (NM STEM Network), Gina Tanner, Ian Anderson (NM Biz Weekly).
- f. Potential new board members are Lydia Tapia, (UNM CS), who was a participant in the 1992-93 Supercomputing Challenge, Duncan McBranch (LANL), Dean Gerber (in Santa Fe, retired from IBM research), Jeff VanDyke, Lisa Adkins (chair of the board of the NM Tech Council). Need

to give them the Challenge description, list of committees, financial statements, bylaws, requirements set by the State, etc.

9. 11:37 am Strategic planning  
Dr. Bowles has made progress on the business plan and should be able to present that in the near future.
10. 11:38 am Vision/Mission statements  
We will skip this for now.
11. 11:39 am Fundraising committee report  
Ms. Einhorn and Mr. Giancola are writing a grant to Best Buy. They are working on the members of the NM Technology Council. Mr. Kratzer working on a proposal for funds from LANS.
12. 11:40 am Curriculum Development
13. 11:45 am Other Topics  
The By Laws have been voted upon and now we need to get everyone's signatures on the document.
14. 11:52 Action Items
  - a. Ms. Frederick/Mr. Blackler will send out Treasure/CPA reports.
  - b. Mr. Kratzer will send out LANL helpers thank you pdf file.
  - c. Mr. Blackler will ask Nick Salazar about support.
  - d. Strategic planning committee subcommittee (Dr. Angel, Ms. Lee, Mr. Davis and Dr. Bowles) will craft a bill and talk to the Legislature.
  - e. Need to get packets together for potential new board members.
15. 11:56 Dr. Angel moved we adjourn

President \_\_\_\_\_

Secretary \_\_\_\_\_