

**Supercomputing Challenge Board of Directors Meeting
May 28, 2024**

Attendees:

- Kaley Woelfel
- David Kratzer
- Richard Barrett
- Lee Rand
- Creighton Edington
- Tim Thomas
- Thomas Bowles
- Thomas Robey
- Celia Einhorn
- Karen Glennon
- Char Arias
- Lupe Montoya
- Michelle Fairrow
- Patty Meyer

AGENDA:

- o Establish a quorum
- o Accept Minutes of the May 13 meeting
 - Tim motion to accept minutes from last meeting
 - Tom Robey seconds
 - Unanimously approved
- o No modifications to the agenda
- o Plan for Board Elections: for next Board Meeting...
 - o We should all review the By-Laws:
 - > https://supercomputingchallenge.org/board/By-laws_2012.pdf
 - o Everyone except Thomas Robey, Creighton Edington and Lupe Montoya are up for re-election
 - > Can self-nominate
- o Board member actions
 - o Resignations
 - Darko wishes to resign from the board, effective immediately
 - Tim motion to thank Darko to his service to the board and accept his resignation
 - Tom seconds
 - Unanimously accepted
 - o Visits of potential new members

- Lee Rand, parent of a SCC student from this last year. He's interested in joining us and is potentially interested in taking over our vacant treasurer position
- Lee, realistically, is already busy but still wants to help
- Kaley - is there any COI with Lee being on the board if he has children participating in the Challenge? Any COI with Lee being a Treasurer?
- The board accepts that Lee can participate as a board member and possible Treasurer without imposing bias towards or against any student participating in the Challenge
- Char expresses concern with Lee overextending himself
- Lee says as long as it's him overseeing things, reviewing processes, get involved and get things stable, he's comfortable with this
- Staff and MMC can support
- Lupe motions to accept Lee Rand as a board member and nominates him to run for Treasurer
- Tom seconds the motion to add him to the board and accept him as Treasurer
- Unanimously pass, Congratulations Lee!
- Tim motions to add Lee Rand, Patty Meyer, and Karen Glennon to the Nusenda checking and savings accounts and remove Nels Hoening and Paige Prescott
- Tom Seconds
- Unanimously accepted

o Treasury Report / Budget status

\$50K at NMC

\$20K in Nusenda checking

\$8K in Nusenda savings for scholarships (with another \$5K expected in stocks)

\$12K in PayPal account

\$2,170 income from silent auction, so far.

o Fundraising committee report

o Status of fundraising; any order...

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o Status of silent auction (Lina is out of the country until 6/3)

Date extended til next weekend

o Sandia application (\$10K -> \$25K?) Char suggests going for \$10K.

o NSF grants (Michelle Fairrow)

Michelle wants bios from everyone on the Board of Directors

o Fred and Jean Allegretti Foundation (\$5K)

o Legislature efforts

- Tom Bowles updates

- Tom met with Christine Chandler and she agreed to sponsor a bill. Our last request of the legislature was made in 2020 for \$200k and it did not make it out of committee

- We would need to make a presentation to a couple interim committees that meet in the summer
- We need to provide a budget and justification for the \$200k that we're asking for
 - \$100k would be for the executive director

o Continuing discussion on the future of the Supercomputing Challenge.

--> Our response to LANL's new (as of last meeting) proposal

- Kathy does think she can get someone hired by Sept/Oct timeframe but this would not be an ED
- What will we do without an Executive Director?

o Time for comments from visitors

o Richard Barrett

- Tom Bowles motion to accept Kathy Keith's offer to have LANL retain the \$55k and hire someone to support the operational aspects of the challenge
- Tom Robey seconds
- Unanimously accepted

- Tom Robey motion to continue the Challenge another year with the Kickoff in person and the Expo virtual pending any financial changes. If additional funding is found, we should plan to have the Expo in person
- Lee seconds
- Unanimously accepted

o Adjourn

Tim motions to adjourn

Tom Robey seconds