Supercomputing Challenge Board Meeting: July 6, 2026, 6pm MDT

AGENDA:
Determine quorum

Char Arias - Yes
Creighton Edington - Yes
Elizabeth Knowles - No
Kaley (Goatcher) Woelfel - Yes
Lee Rand -No
Lupe Montoya -No
Mario Serna - Yes
Richard Barrett - Yes
Ron Davis - Yes
Tim Thomas - Yes
Tom Robey - Yes
Tom Bowles
Others attending:
David Kratzer - Yes
Karen Glennon - Yes
Patty Meyer - Yes
Alan Friedman - Yes

Review minutes of past meeting
Tim moved that we accept the past meeting minutes, Kaley seconded it. All voted in favor.

Presentation by potential new Board member, Alan Friedman; per tradition, Alan will present, we will ask questions, then he will leave the meeting (moved to the waiting room) and we will vote. David moved that Alan be added to the board of directors. Char and Kaley seconded the motion. All voted in favor of it.

"Live Doodle Pool" for next Board Meeting, which is to occur within 2.5 weeks from today.
Setting date for next board meeting, 2 weeks from today 7/20, 6pm or later. To be firmed up via email over the next few days (ACTION: Tim/Kaley)

Report on 2025-26 Challenge

STI report - to be held at NM Tech July 12-17
- 29 participants, 5 instructors

Funding update: NMSU funds used, NM Tech funds for 26-27, potential other funders (Sandia $10K, LANL $55K, NMSU $50K??)

Budget(s) for 2026-27
STI costs might be coming out of next year's budget, expect it to cost about $35K.

Comment from Tom B. persistence of $ from Legislature.

New web manager: Carlos Alvarez
We have a new web manager who is working to understand the website and prepare next year's website - he will be the web master going forward

Professional Services Contract with NM Tech . . .
See full budget, **attached to previous email**, for 2026-27, along with the budget of $200K for the NM Tech/legislative monies which we needed to provide to NM Tech last month.
We need to work with NMT come April to get into their annual budget (?)

Report from Executive Director search committee (two applications so far).

(https://supercomputingchallenge.org/executive-director)

Clarify timing of steps, since David announced his retirement "as of June 1",
but it has been heard that he wishes to "stay" to help train a new Director;
we must become clear on what this means, since the Board has not yet formally
accepted his retirement... When is that to happen?

ACTIONS:
- Committee will get together in the next couple of days and create a rubric
- Interview slots will be identified and verified with the board
- Candidates will be invited to pick an interview slot
- Committee will ensure comparable interview panels and attendance

Election of officers:

Some brief discussion of points of order, including whether this will happen during this meeting. Assuming it does...

Treasurer
Secretary
Vice President
President

Tim moves we discuss what elections to have now.

Char is happy to stay as VP unless anyone would like to run against her
Kaley is happy to stay as Secretary unless anyone would like to run against her

Char moves that we vote on Treasurer, Secretary, and VP
Tim seconds. All in favor

Treasurer discussion:
David nominates Alan Friedman to be treasure, Char seconds. All in favor

Alan Friedman is the new treasurer and will have access to the Nusenda checking and savings accounts, as well as other tools, systems, documentation, and authority that will be needed for him to perform his duties as Treasurer. This includes authority for check signing.

Tom and Tim move to nominate Kaley Woelfel as secretary, Char seconds. All in favor.

Kaley will remain secretary.

Tom moves to nominate Char as VP, Tim seconds. All in favor

Char will remain VP.

We will push election of President to the next meeting

Adjourn

Tim moves we adjourn