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Attendees

Eyal Lavee (Mellanox)

Joseph Gasparakis (Intel)

Paul Carver (AT&T)

Henry Fowler (AT&T)

Edward Ting (Lenovo)

Kiran KN (Juniper)

Simon Horman (Netronome)

Agenda

- Release schedule for 5.1
- Patches from Netronome
    - If we have an interface in TF where a vendor can implement some functionality in form of a binary (which source code will not be distributed in any shape or form) that dynamically links in kernel space, would that be ok from legal perspective?
    - And if so, is there any restriction in the license that this binary (that will be loaded in Linux kernel space) will have?
    - Ultimately, it seems like whichever party is going to have an issue will have to do the legal research is this part Juniper and/or whoever distributes a commercial version of TF?
    - Any other concerns? Most concerns were discussed in last week's SmartNIC meeting on 2018-10-18
- TSC/TC Elections: voting now for two members -vs- voting now for all TSC
- Tools for Release Notes - Ed Ting

Minutes

- 5.1 release review
    - Dev complete is now November 15th
    - Release targeted for December 15th
- Discussion of smartNIC offload, licensing and code changes
    - There might be some legal issues with whoever distributes the binary but it seems it doesn't affect TF community. Can we get feedback from LF's legal expert on Friday's meeting?
    - About CI we need a 3rd party CI that will require each vendor's hardware (which is fine and expected) but there is some discussion on how this will integrate with the rest of the CI.
    - There are questions about documentation. Frikke from Netronome said that they can provide it.
    - Joseph brought up the question of tainted kernel. (Joseph can you clarify your concern here?)
    - Eyal raised the point that there is a tension between having the community work on a common interface, and enabling vendor-specific interfaces which may reduce the motivation for a common industry standard. He added that it is understood that it will take time to develop the common interface, and that creates pressure for interim (vendor-specific) solutions.
    - Jan raised the point that this approach would be the first proposal for the full offload, and would enable OpenStack work to begin sooner.
- Elections:
    - Joseph proposed that the entire TSC be voted on - not just the replacements. A vote is needed on Joseph's proposal.
    - Paul pointed out that we do not have a list of who voters are. We have rules in the by-laws, but have not applied the rules to create a list of people.
    - The official by-laws are in a PDF, per Casey (no longer editable, of course). It was agreed that this should be posted in a conspicuous location.