

# CYXTERA TECHNOLOGIES, INC.

## CORPORATE GOVERNANCE GUIDELINES

(As of July 29, 2021)

The Board of Directors (the “Board”) of Cyxtera Technologies, Inc. (the “Company”) has adopted the following Corporate Governance Guidelines (the “Guidelines”) to assist the Board in the exercise of its responsibilities and to serve the interests of the Company and its stockholders. These Guidelines should be interpreted in the context of all applicable laws and the Company’s certificate of incorporation, bylaws, the Stockholders Agreement (the “Stockholders Agreement”) entered into in connection with the transactions contemplated by that certain Agreement and Plan of Merger, dated as of February 21, 2021, by and among the Company, Starboard Value Acquisition Corp., and the other parties thereto, for so long as such agreement is in effect, and the Company’s other corporate governance documents. These Guidelines acknowledge the leadership exercised by the Board’s standing committees and their Chairs and are intended to serve as a flexible framework within which the Board may conduct its business and not as a set of legally binding obligations. The Guidelines are subject to modification from time to time by the Board as the Board may deem appropriate and in the best interests of the Company and its stockholders or as required by applicable laws and regulations.

### I. THE BOARD

#### A. Independence of the Board

Except as otherwise permitted by the applicable rules of The Nasdaq Stock Market LLC (“Nasdaq”), the Board will be comprised of a majority of directors who qualify as independent directors (the “Independent Directors”) as required under Nasdaq rules.

#### B. Separate Sessions of Independent Directors

The Independent Directors will meet in executive session without non-Independent Directors or management present on a regularly scheduled basis, but no less than twice per year.

#### C. Lead Independent Director

The Independent Directors may, from time to time, elect a lead independent director (the “Lead Independent Director”). The Lead Independent Director’s responsibilities include, but are not limited to: presiding over all meetings of the Board at which the Chair of the Board is not present, including any executive sessions of the Independent Directors; advising and consulting with the Chair on Board meeting schedules, and Board meeting agenda items and materials; serving as a liaison between the other Independent Directors and the Chair and performing such other responsibilities as shall be set forth in the Company’s Lead Independent Director Policy. In the absence of a Lead Independent Director, the Chair of the Board will serve as lead director. The Board may modify its leadership structure in the future as it deems appropriate, subject to the provisions in the Stockholders Agreement.

D. Director Qualification Standards and Additional Selection Criteria

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, in recommending director candidates, and the Board, in nominating director candidates, will evaluate candidates in accordance with the qualification standards set forth in Attachment A to these Guidelines. In addition, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and the Board may also consider the additional selection criteria listed in Attachment A.

E. Director Orientation and Continuing Education

Management will provide an orientation process for new directors, including background material on the Company and its business. As appropriate, management will provide opportunities for additional educational sessions for directors on matters relevant to the Company and its business.

F. Service on Other Boards

The Board does not believe that its members should be prohibited from serving on boards of other organizations and has not adopted any guidelines limiting such activities. However, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee may take into account the nature of and time involved in a director's service on other boards and/or committees in evaluating the suitability of individual director candidates and current directors. Prior to accepting any position on the board of directors of any organization, whether for-profit or not-for-profit, current directors should notify the Chair of the Board, the Chair of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, and the Secretary. The Chair of the Board, the Chair of the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and the Secretary shall review the proposed board membership to ensure compliance with applicable laws and policies.

Service on other boards and/or committees should be consistent with the Company's conflict of interest policies.

G. Directors Who Resign or Materially Change Their Current Positions With Their Own Company or Become Aware of Circumstances that May Adversely Reflect upon the Director or the Company

When a director, including any director who is currently an officer or employee of the Company, resigns or materially changes his or her position with his or her employer or becomes aware of circumstances that may adversely reflect upon the director or the Company, such director should notify the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee of such circumstances. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will consider the circumstances, and may in certain cases recommend that the Board request that the director submit his or her resignation from the Board if, for example, continuing service on the Board by the individual is not consistent with the criteria deemed necessary for continuing service on the Board.

#### H. Term Limits

As each director is periodically subject to election by stockholders, the Board does not believe it is in the best interests of the Company to establish term limits at this time. Additionally, such term limits may cause the Company to lose the contribution of directors who have been able to develop, over a period of time, increasing insight into the Company's business and therefore can provide an increasingly significant contribution to the Board.

#### I. Resignation Requirements

In an uncontested election for a director, an incumbent director who does not receive a majority of the votes cast shall immediately tender his or her resignation to the Board. The Board will evaluate whether to accept or reject such resignation and publicly disclose its decision and the rationale behind such decision within 90 days from the date of the certification of the election results.

#### J. Director Responsibilities

The primary responsibilities of the Board are oversight, counseling and direction to the management of the Company in the interest and for the benefit of the Company's stockholders. The Board's detailed responsibilities include:

- a. Selecting, regularly evaluating the performance of, and approving the compensation of the Chief Executive Officer and other senior executives;
- b. Planning for succession with respect to the position of Chief Executive Officer if necessary and monitoring management's succession planning for other senior executives;
- c. Reviewing and, where appropriate, approving the Company's major financial objectives, strategic and operating plans and actions;
- d. Overseeing the conduct of the Company's business to evaluate whether the business is being properly managed; and
- e. Overseeing the processes for maintaining the integrity of the Company with regards to its financial statements and other public disclosures, and compliance with law and ethics.

The Board has delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, working with the other executive officers of the Company, the authority and responsibility for managing the business of the Company in a manner consistent with the standards and practices of the Company, and in accordance with any specific plans, instructions or directions of the Board. The Chief Executive Officer and management are responsible to seek the advice and, in appropriate situations, the approval of the Board with respect to extraordinary actions to be undertaken by the Company.

Each Board member is expected to (i) prepare for, attend, and participate in all Board and applicable Board committee meetings and (ii) ensure that other existing and planned future commitments do not materially interfere with the member's service as an outstanding director.

K. Compensation

The Board believes that director compensation should fairly pay directors for work required in a business of the Company's size and scope, and that compensation should align directors' interests with the long-term interests of stockholders. The Compensation Committee will review and make recommendations to the Board regarding the cash and equity compensation of directors. The Company's executive officers shall not receive additional compensation for their service as directors.

Except as otherwise permitted by the applicable Nasdaq rules, members of the Audit Committee and Compensation Committee may not directly or indirectly receive any compensation from the Company other than their directors' compensation, including any compensation for service on committees of the Board and the receipt of equity incentive awards.

L. Conflicts of Interest

Directors are expected to avoid any action, position or interest that conflicts with the interests of the Company or gives the appearance of a conflict. If an actual or potential conflict of interest develops, the director should immediately report all facts regarding the matter to the Committee. The Committee shall make a recommendation to the Board as to whether any significant conflict can be resolved or otherwise the director should submit his or her resignation to the Board.

M. Interaction with Institutional Investors, the Press and Customers

The Board believes that management speaks for the Company. Each director should refer all inquiries from institutional investors, the press or customers regarding the Company's operations to management. Individual Board members may, from time to time at the request of management, meet or otherwise communicate with various constituencies that are involved with the Company. If comments from the Board are appropriate, they should, in most circumstances, come from the Chair of the Board, if applicable, or the Chief Executive Officer.

N. Board Access to Senior Management

The Board will have complete access to Company management in order to ensure that directors can ask any questions and receive all information necessary to perform their duties. Directors should exercise judgment to ensure that their contact with management does not distract managers from their jobs or disturb the business operations of the Company. Any meetings or contacts that a director wishes to initiate may be arranged through the Chief Executive Officer or the Chair of the Board, or if neither is available or neither is appropriate, directly by the director. To the extent appropriate, such contact, if in writing, should be copied to the Chief Executive Officer of the Company.

O. Board Access to Independent Advisors

The Board committees may hire independent advisors as set forth in their applicable charters. The Board as a whole shall have access to any independent advisor retained by the Company, and the Board may hire any independent advisor it considers necessary to discharge its responsibilities.

P. Board and Committee Self-Evaluation

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee will oversee a periodic assessment of the Board and its committees.

Q. Compliance with Corporate Policies

Members of the Board shall act in accordance with the Company's Code of Business Conduct and Ethics and adhere to the Company's policies with respect to conflicts of interest, confidentiality, protection of the Company's assets, ethical conduct in business dealings and respect for and compliance with applicable law. Any waiver of these requirements with respect to any individual director shall be reported to, and be subject to the approval of, the Board.

## II. BOARD MEETINGS

A. Frequency of Meetings

The Board will meet at least four (4) times annually. In addition, special meetings may be called from time to time as determined by the needs of the business. It is the responsibility of the directors to attend meetings.

B. Director Attendance

A director is expected to spend the time and effort necessary to properly discharge his or her responsibilities. Accordingly, a director is expected to regularly prepare for and attend meetings of the Board and all committees on which the director sits (including separate meetings of the Independent Directors), with the understanding that, on occasion, a director may be unable to attend a meeting. A director who is unable to attend a meeting of the Board or a committee of the Board is expected to notify the Chair of the Board or the Chair of the appropriate committee in advance of such meeting, and, whenever possible, participate in such meeting via teleconference in the case of an in-person meeting.

C. Attendance of Non-Directors

The Board encourages the Chair of the Board or any committee to invite Company management and outside advisors or consultants from time to time to participate in Board and/or committee meetings to (i) provide insight into items being discussed by the Board that involve the manager, advisor or consultant, (ii) make presentations to the Board on matters that involve the manager, advisor or consultant, and (iii) bring managers with high potential into contact with the Board. Attendance of non-directors at Board meetings is at the discretion of the Board.

D. Advance Receipt of Meeting Materials

Information regarding the topics to be considered at a meeting is essential to the Board's understanding of the business and the preparation of the directors for a productive meeting. To the extent feasible, the meeting agenda and any written materials relating to each Board meeting will be distributed to the directors sufficiently in advance of each meeting to allow for meaningful review of such agenda and materials by the directors. Directors are expected to have reviewed and be prepared to discuss all materials distributed in advance of any meeting.

**III. COMMITTEE MATTERS**

The Board currently has three (3) standing committees: (i) the Audit Committee, (ii) the Compensation Committee and (iii) the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee. Each committee will perform its duties as assigned by the Board in compliance with the Company's bylaws and the applicable committee's charter. It is the responsibility of the directors to attend the meetings of the committees on which they serve.

**IV. SUCCESSION PLANNING**

The Board (or a committee delegated by the Board) will (i) work on a periodic basis with the Chief Executive Officer to evaluate the Company's succession plans upon the Chief Executive Officer's retirement and in the event of an unexpected occurrence, and (ii) periodically review the performance of the Chief Executive Officer and other executive officers.

**V. RISK MANAGEMENT**

As provided in the Audit Committee Charter, the Audit Committee is responsible for discussing the Company's policies with respect to risk assessment and risk management, including guidelines and policies to govern the process by which the Company's exposure to risk is handled. In accordance with those policies, the Board and the Board committees shall have an active role in overseeing management of the Company's risks. The Board shall regularly review information regarding the Company's credit, liquidity and operations, as well as the risks associated with each. The Company's Compensation Committee shall be responsible for overseeing the management of risks relating to the Company's executive compensation plans and arrangements. The Company's Audit Committee shall oversee management of financial risks. The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee shall manage risks associated with the independence of the Board and potential conflicts of interest. While each committee shall be responsible for evaluating certain risks and overseeing the management of such risks, the entire Board shall regularly be informed through committee reports about such risks.

## Attachment A

### **Director Qualification Standards and Additional Selection Criteria**

#### *Director Qualification Standards:*

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee, in recommending director candidates for election to the Board, and the Board, in nominating director candidates, will consider candidates who have a high level of personal and professional integrity, strong ethics and values and the ability to make mature business judgments.

#### *Additional Selection Criteria:*

In evaluating director candidates, the Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and the Board may also consider the following criteria as well as any other factor that they deem to be relevant:

- A. The candidate's experience in corporate management, such as serving as an officer or former officer of a publicly held company;
- B. The candidate's experience as a board member of another publicly held company;
- C. The candidate's professional and academic experience relevant to the Company's industry;
- D. The strength of the candidate's leadership skills;
- E. The candidate's experience in finance and accounting and / or executive compensation practices;
- F. Whether the candidate has the time required for preparation, participation and attendance at Board meetings and committee meetings, if applicable; and
- G. The candidate's geographic background, gender, age, sexual orientation and ethnicity.

In addition, the Board will consider whether there are potential conflicts of interest with the candidate's other personal and professional pursuits.

The Nominating and Corporate Governance Committee and the Board are committed to actively seeking out highly qualified women and individuals from minority groups to include in the pool from which new Board candidates are chosen. Each individual will be evaluated in the context of the Board as a whole, with the objective of recommending a group that can best perpetuate the success of the Company's business.