Tentative Minutes of the WPAN Ad Hoc Group Meeting

Wireless Personal Area Network Ad Hoc Group
Plenary Meeting
Irvine, CA

9-13 March 1998

Tuesday, 10 March 1998

1.0 The meeting was called to order at 8:40am in the Embassy Room by our Chairman Bob Heile.

Objectives for this meeting
Objectives of the Ad-Hoc Study Group
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  1.1 Roll Call: People in the room were invited to introduce themselves.

  1.2 Secretary: The Chair recognized Ian Gifford as the Secretary for the Ad Hoc Group meeting.

  1.3 Agenda Approval: Bob Heile presented the following agenda for approval:

    Ad Hoc Group Leadership
       Chairman, B. Heile
       Secretary/Minutes, I. Gifford
    Objectives of the Ad-Hoc Study Group
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    Review Functional Requirements
    Review Five Criteria and Coexistence (2.4GHz) Criteria
    Milestone Wearables WPAN PAR, etc.
    Next Steps

    Rick LaRowe made a motion to accept the agenda; Jon Rasmussen seconded it.

2.0 Bob Heile presented the Monday March 9, 1998 Motion that was made during the 802.11 WG Plenary to form the Ad Hoc Group:

> "Move to establish an ad-hoc group to look at the requirements of Personal Area Networking, and, if warranted, prepare a recommendation and motion for the 802.11 Plenary on Wednesday, March 11, 1998 to form a PAN Study Group with the charter of drafting a PAR for presentation at the next Plenary of 802."

3.0 Jim Carlo provided an extensive overview of 802 Study Group procedures as well as how to navigate the process from a Wireless Personal Area Networking (WPAN) point of view. In particular Jim suggested the Ad Hoc Group should:

- Draft a Motion for the Thursday March 12, 1998 802.11 WG Plenary to form a SG
- Progress the specificity of the WPAN Functional Requirements

- Draft a 2 paragraph Public Relations announcement on the WPAN SG; if approved.
- Draft a WPAN PAR for the July 1998 802 LMSC Plenary Meeting
- Considering joining or forming an Alliance, Forum, etc. for marketing the WPAN and the overall Wearable Computer standards effort.

4.0 Vic Hayes provided inputs to our Wednesday WG Motion.

5.0 Bob Heile then progressed the specificity of the WPAN Functional Requirements. This work consumed the group until we adjourned at 12:30pm.

6.0 Bob Heile brought the meeting back to order at 2:00pm and continued to progress the specificity of the WPAN Functional Requirements. Additionally, we discussed the evening session of the Ad Hoc Group until we adjourned the meeting at 4:00pm.

7.0 The evening meeting was called to order at 5:10pm in Salon E by our Chairman Bob Heile.

8.0 Darwin Engwer presented an informal overview of his impressions of the WPAN SG effort as it relates to his experience of 802.11 MAC and PHY layers. Pat Thaler continued the discussion by providing an SEC perspective to the group. Vic Hayes reviewed our draft motion and help to clarify the next steps for the Ad Hoc Group.

Bob Heile adjourned the Ad Hoc Group at 6:15pm.

The Ad Hoc Group wishes to thank the 802.11 Working Group for their time and assistance in helping to form this new and important Study Group. We look forward to participating in the Working Group.

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