

## **Minutes of 802.3an Task Force Meeting Nov. 14-17, 2005 in Vancouver, BC, Canada**

**Tuesday, November 15, 2005**

The Chair, Bradley Booth, opened the meeting at 8:50am and presented the proposed agenda.

Motion to adopt the proposed agenda.

M: A Flatman S: G Zimmerman Approved unanimously by voice.

A round of introductions were made.

Motion to approve the Minutes from the October 17, 2005 Interim meeting.

M: G Zimmerman S: N van Bavel Approved unanimously by voice.

The Chair reviewed the Task Force ground rules. At 8:59am, the Chair read the following:

### 6. Patents

IEEE standards may include the known use of essential patents and patent applications provided the IEEE receives assurance from the patent holder or applicant with respect to patents whose infringement is, or in the case of patent applications, potential future infringement the applicant asserts will be, unavoidable in a compliant implementation of either mandatory or optional portions of the standard [essential patents]. This assurance shall be provided without coercion and prior to approval of the standard (or reaffirmation when a patent or patent application becomes known after initial approval of the standard). This assurance shall be a letter that is in the form of either:

a) A general disclaimer to the effect that the patentee will not enforce any of its present or future patent(s) whose use would be required to implement either mandatory or optional portions of the proposed IEEE standard against any person or entity complying with the standard; or

b) A statement that a license for such implementation will be made available without compensation or under reasonable rates, with reasonable terms and conditions that are demonstrably free of any unfair discrimination.

This assurance shall apply, at a minimum, from the date of the standard's approval to the date of the standard's withdrawal and is irrevocable during that period.

Chris DiMinico remarked that crosstalk measurement calculations based on 802.3an methods were being discussed and utilized in other related groups..

Comment resolution commenced. Upon its conclusion, the following motion was made:

Motion that the 802.3an Task Force approve the resolution of comments to P802.3an/D2.4. The Task Force considers no accepted changes to be substantive and that all recirculation requirements have been met. The Task Force authorizes the editor to create P802.3an/D3.0 and requests submission of that draft to Sponsor ballot.

M: B McClellan S: G Eisler Technical Y 43 N 0 A 3

Motion to adjourn:

M N van Bavel S: A Flatman Approved by voice

The meeting was adjourned at 9:41am.

George Eisler