

**IEEE 802.3 Maintenance Interim Meeting  
Unconfirmed Minutes  
Wednesday July 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

Meeting convened at 1:03 PM

Chair – Wael William Diab  
Recording Secretary – Jeff Lapak

Introductions were done by voice and Affiliations were announced.

The Chair appointed Mr. Lapak as Recording Secretary for this meeting.

The Chair requested Mr. McCormack to go through the patent slides. There were no questions or discussion.

The chair reviewed the proposed agenda and asked for any changes or modifications. Mr. McCormack requested a change to agenda to review the action items from 802.1 regarding 802.3at and the use of LLDP be placed toward the top of the agenda.

**Motion to approve agenda**

M: D. Law

S: J. Mandin

Approved by voice without opposition

**Motion to approve the minutes from the May 2008 Meeting**

M: D. Law

S: S. Carlson

Approved by voice without opposition

**Discussion of Steps to Move Annex F to .3 from 802.1**

- Should this action be taken in 802.3at or in a new maintenance project.
- Consensus on a proposal captured in diab\_1\_0708.pdf

**Review of new maintenance request 1196**

- Change made in 802.3as around MA\_data.request has had an unintended change in the behavior of EPON devices.
- Slideset presented around this request by Eric Lynskey
- The change may have originally been a service to humanity and has been looked at before.
- Is it the use of the interface or the interface itself that is broken, this determination will determine the speed of the project.
- There were multiple views on the above issues and hence the request could not be categorized at this time

The Chair, Mr. Diab, chartered an ad-hoc to consider the issues related to the new request and requested that the ad-hoc provide a report to the Maintenance Task Force at the next meeting at the Septemebr 2008 interim. Mr. Diab asked if there would be any objection if he appointed Mr. Mandin to Chair the ad-hoc. None were given. Mr. Diab appointed Mr. Jeff Mandin to Chair this Ad-hoc.

Mr. Diab noted that the request would remain in the Received at this point.

### **Update on 802.3ax and 802.3ay**

Motion:

Request that the IEEE 802.3 Working Group Chair request IEEE 802 EC approval to submit IEEE P802.1AX (802.3ax) D2.1 and IEEE P802.3 (802.3ay) D2.3 for September consideration by Revcom and the SASB.

M: H. Frazier

S: G. Zimmerman

802.3 voters only: Y:9 N:0 A:0

### **ISOing 802.3**

Discussion on the need to get the standards ISO approved

- It is possible that participation might be moved to an Annex by ISO which could cause future problems for publishing future standards by IEEE.
- Numbering policy could also lead to confusion.
- Consensus not to forward any further standards to ISO.

### **Request from 802.1 for timestamp / sync**

Mr. Diab proposed a joint ad-hoc meeting between 802.1 and 802.3 to address the topic on Monday of the collocated meeting in September in S. Korea 2008.

### **Motion to adjourn**

M: H. Frazier

S: S. Carlson

Approved by voice without opposition

Adjourned