

IEEE 802.3 Maintenance Task Force
September 2013 Meeting Minutes
York, U.K.
Wednesday, September 4th, 2013
<http://www.ieee802.org/3/maint/index.html>

The meeting was chaired by Mr. David Law on behalf of Mr. Wael William Diab (Chair). Meeting called to order by Mr. Law at 1:32PM September 4th, 2013.

Minutes recorded by Ms. Valerie Maguire (Recording Secretary).

For the meeting slides, please refer to: http://www.ieee802.org/3/maint/public/law_1_0913.pdf.

Patent Slides

Mr. Law displayed the patent policy slides and guidelines and allowed time for the group to digest the information. The patent slides were shown at 1:33PM. Mr. Law called for any known Letters of Assurance (LOAs). Response: none.

Attendance

Mr. Law asked the meeting attendees to introduce themselves. Mr. Law informed the attendees about the attendance recording mechanisms. The following individuals recorded their attendance and affiliation:

Name	Company/Affiliation
Barrass, Hugh	Cisco
Frazier, Howard	Broadcom
Heath, Jeff	Linear Technologies
Law, David	HP

Name	Company/Affiliation
Maguire, Valerie	Siemon/TIA
Marris, Arthur	Cadence
Parsons, Glenn	Ericsson
Thompson, Geoff	GraCaSi

Agenda

Mr. Law reviewed the agenda:

- Introduction
- Review patent slides
- Review and approve agenda
- Approve maintenance minutes
- Maintenance request status
 - Maintenance requests #1246-1248
- IEEE 802 contribution to ITU-R WP1A
- CEN-CENELEC-ETSI Smart Grid Coordination Group
- Future meetings

Motion #1 Approve agenda

M: H. Barrass

S: J. Heath

Procedural (>50%)

Passed by voice vote without opposition

Motion #2 Approve July 2013 minutes

M: A. Marris

S: H. Frazier

Procedural (>50%)

Passed by voice vote without opposition

Maintenance Requests

Mr. Law indicated that we have:

- 18 Open Maintenance requests
- 3 new request since July, 2013
- Current status of open requests:

Approved	0
Balloting	0
Ready for ballot	8
Awaiting clarification	0
Errata	2
To be categorised	8

Mr. Law indicated that there are three Maintenance Requests available for review. Maintenance Request #1246 was received by the deadline for consideration at this meeting and Maintenance Requests # 1247 and #1248 were received by the deadline for consideration at the November meeting. There was no objection to discussing Maintenance Requests # 1247 and #1248 during the meeting.

Maintenance Requests for Review at this Meeting

Req #	Standard	Subclause	Subject
1246	802.3-2012	86.10.2.1	Skew variation
1247	802.3-2012	72.6.10.3.1	Training state diagram
1248	802.3-2012	78.1.2.2.3	Primitive value

Maintenance Notes

Refer to: http://www.ieee802.org/3/maint/public/law_1_0913.pdf.

Maintenance Request #1246

This new maintenance request was discussed and there was no objection changing the status of the Maintenance Request to “Ready for Ballot”.

Maintenance Request #1247

This new maintenance request was discussed and the submitter indicated that his preferred resolution is to delete the state transition. The Chair requested that Mr. Marris resubmit the Maintenance Request with the preferred resolution expressly stated. This Maintenance Request will be considered again at the Maintenance meeting in November.

Maintenance Request #1248

This new maintenance request was discussed. It was noted that the clause title pertaining to the requested revision should change from “Variables” to “When generated”. The Chair requested that Mr. Marris resubmit the Maintenance Request with the correct title. It was noted that this comment addresses content of IEEE 802.3bj, which should enter Sponsor ballot soon. Mr. Marris was requested to submit a comment against the Sponsor ballot of IEEE 802.3bj related to this proposed change. This Maintenance Request will be considered again at the Maintenance meeting in November.

IEEE 802 contribution to ITU-R WP1A

Question ITU-R 236/1 includes a question in relation to the impact on radiocommunication systems of wireless and wired data transmission technologies used for the support of power grid management systems. A response was drafted including excerpted baseline information from the IEEE 802.3 scope statement. Mr. Law will coordinate our response with the input provided by the wireless experts and will provide text for review at the next Maintenance meeting in November.

CEN-CENELEC-ETSI Smart Grid Coordination Group

Mr. Law informally reviewed a matrix of applicable communication technologies to smart grid networks prepared by CENELEC. IEEE 802.3/1 was identified as applicable to six types of communication technologies in the table in clause 10.6.1. It was proposed that IEEE 802.3 be a separate line item from IEEE 802.1 in this table and should be applicable to all fifteen types of communication technologies. It was agreed that intensive review of the document would be required for complete accuracy, but our review should be limited to IEEE 802.3-related issues. Discussion will continue at the next Maintenance meeting in November.

Motion #3: Adjourn

M: H, Barrass

S: G. Thompson

Procedural (>50%)

Passed by voice vote without opposition

Adjourned at 3:14PM September 4th, 2013