IEEE 802.3 Working Group November Plenary Report 18 November 2004

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P802.3REVam progresses to SB

- Initial ballot passed
 - Exceeded 802 approval and return ratios
 - Did not exceed 802.3 abstain ratio
- Recirculation ballot passed
 - Some out of scope comments
 - All in scope comments withdrawn to be resubmitted at SB
- Sponsor ballot approved by 802.3 and EC
 - Invitation closed
 - Initial SB to be conducted prior to 26 January Vancouver meeting

MyBallot

- Beta Test using P802.3REVam
- Invitation closed
 - IEEE Web Account issues like problems getting password reset/reminder
 - No ability to add an individual to the ballot group
 - Had to extend the ballot to minimize the probability of an appeal
 - No explicit approval of the ballot group, implicit in initiating the ballot
- Next comes an actual ballot -- concerns
 - Comment tool limitations?
 - No redundancy in indexing
 - Sort challenges (distribution to multiple editors)
- Observations
 - Recommended a myBallot playground to staff
 - Recommended training preference to those with imminent ballots
 - Encourage members to get web accounts activated early

P802.3an 10GBASE-T

- Working on completing a draft
 - Adopted constellation, LDPC, framing
 - Adopted optional loop timing
 - Adopted transmit PSD mask
 - Generate a single worst case link segment
 - P802.3an/D1.2 to be created
- Will meet in Vancouver, 26-28 January

P802.3ap Backplane Ethernet

- Working on completing a draft
 - Decision process defined for 10GbE serial
 - Additional work on Autonegotiation signaling
 - Draft 0.7 to document new agreements
- Will meet in Vancouver, 24-26 January

P802.3aq 10GBASE-LRM

- Working on completing a draft
 - D1.0 to be issued for TF review prior to January interim
- Demonstration of technical feasibility requirement before SB adopted
 - At least three vendors interoperating
 - BER of 10-12 or better over rated distances
- Will meet in Vancouver, 24-25 January

Congestion Management SG

- P802.3ar approvals
 - PAR to be considered at December Standards Board
 - Five Criteria approved by 802.3 and EC
 - Objectives approved by 802.3
- Complementary congestion management work to be done in both 802.1 and 802.3
- Will meet in Sacramento, 11 January with 802.1

Frame Expansion SG

- P802.3as PAR approvals
 - PAR to be considered at December Standards Board
 - Five Criteria approved by 802.3 and EC
 - Objectives approved by 802.3
- More industry input sought for March decision on max frame size increase – effects on legacy equipment
- Will meet in Sacramento, 12 January with 802.1

Residential Ethernet SG

- Working on understanding what should be standardized and where
 - Some proposals with little change to IEEE
 Std 802.3
 - Some proposals with most functionality outside the scope of 802.3
- Will meet in Vancouver, 24-25 January

Power over Ethernet Plus CFI

- CFI held to propose an increase in the amount of power over that specified by 802.3af
- Formation of study group approved by 802.3 and EC
- Will meet in Vancouver. 26-27 January

Other business

- EC gives approval for 802.3 to begin operation with treasury
- 802.3 members positions on term limits
 - Favor elimination of term limit for vice chair
 - Favor retention of term limits for chair
 - Some support for super majority to suspend term limits