

**IEEE P802.11  
Wireless LANs**

## Letter Ballot 17

**Date:** February 2, 1999

This is an IEEE P802.11 letter ballot. Please return this page by e-mail (or by fax) after filling in your name and vote. For e-mail returns, repeat if not acknowledged within 2 business days.

**Warning:**

- ◆ Voting members have an obligation to vote. Not returning two, valid, ballots in a sequence of 3 letter ballots will automatically terminate voting rights.
- ◆ For all 3 motions of this letter ballot, "No" votes require the submission of detailed comments as defined in the IEEE rules for Sponsor Ballots to be counted as valid. See the next page for further details. Motion 2 is a default recirculation ballot, see below for rules
- ◆ Abstentions are only counted as valid if they are based on "lack of expertise"
- ◆ Comments are requested in the format given in the ballot instructions document in the zip file on the server at URL:
- ◆ <http://grouper.ieee.org/groups/802/11/> [see further in the motions]

**Date of ballot: February 2, 1999**

**Closure of ballot: Wednesday March 3, 1999, 23.00 UTC**

**Ballot return**

**From (name of voter):** \_\_\_\_\_<sup>1</sup>

**Voting member:** Yes/No<sup>2</sup>

Motion number	Subject	Yes <sup>3</sup>	No <sup>4</sup>	Abstain with reason <sup>5</sup>	Comments?
1	To submit the contents of document IEEE 802.11a/D2.1 to Sponsor Ballot [default recirculation ballot] (private/Draft-Standards/Letter Ballot-17-TGa.ZIP)				
2	To submit the contents of document IEEE 802.11b/D2.last to Sponsor Ballot [default recirculation ballot] (private/Draft-Standards/Letter Ballot-17-TGa.ZIP)				
3	To submit the contents of documents IEEE 802.11-98/161-r5 and -98/162-r8 to Executive Committee [default recirculation ballot] Letter-Ballot-17-WPAN.ZIP				

<sup>1</sup> Fill in your name

<sup>2</sup> Strike the wrong one (refer to doc.: 98/346 for status)

<sup>3</sup> Mark to give your vote

<sup>4</sup> No votes require comments to instruct the group how they can resolve your No vote. Refer to doc.: 98/346 for instructions of how to submit the comments.

<sup>5</sup> Only counted as a valid vote if marked "lack of expertise"

The following is a quote from the IEEE Standards Operations Guide.

The ballot shall provide three choices:

- a) Approve (Affirmative). This vote may be accompanied by comments suggesting corrections and improvements. Action on such comments is left to the discretion of the Sponsor.
- b) Do Not Approve (Negative). This vote shall be accompanied by specific reasons in sufficient detail so that the specific wording of the changes that will cause the negative voter to change his or her vote to "approve" can readily be determined. The Sponsor shall obtain written confirmation from each voter that indicates concurrence with any change of his or her vote. Written confirmation can be by letter, fax, or electronic mail. In the absence of reasons for a negative vote, the ballot shall, after a follow-up inquiry, be classified as "no response."
- c) Abstain. This category is provided to allow for ballot returns from members who do not wish to review the document because of conflict of interest, lack of expertise, or other reasons. A reason shall be given for this vote; otherwise, the ballot shall be classified as "no response."

Read for "Sponsor": "Working Group".

## Valid Ballot

To qualify as a valid Working Group Letter Ballot, 50 % of the Voting Members must have returned their vote.

If 50 % of the Voting Members have returned their ballots at the announced closing date, the ballot closes. Ballot forms received after closure do not count towards the result of the ballot and no credit is given towards voting right maintenance. However, comments may be addressed at Working Group's discretion or ballot resolution group's discretion., but.

If the 50 % returns is not achieved at the announced closing date, the ballot will close at the time 50 % of the Voting Members have returned their ballot.

## Ballot result

Motions 1 and 2 are technical motions: from the Voting Members voting "Yes" or "No", 75 % need to vote yes in order for this motion to pass. Motion 3 requires a majority of those voting "Yes" and "No".

All comments accompanying votes within the time the ballot is open, must be addressed, even if they are from others than Voting Members.

In case the ballot closes with less than 75 % approval, and the comment resolution group can not change sufficient No-votes to Yes-votes (confirmed in writing) to reach the 75 % boundary, the motion fails

The Executive Committee requires the highest level of consensus. So after passing the ballot with at least 75 %, but not yet 100 %, the Working Group will decide whether a Recirculation Ballot will be conducted or whether the draft is submitted to the Executive Committee. Comments accompanying NO votes will be submitted with the reason the Working Group could not accept the comment.

## Default Recirculation ballots

- ◆ If you already voted "Yes" on the subject or you changed your vote from "No" to "Yes" in writing:
  - ◆ You do not need to vote again.
  - ◆ You may submit a "No" vote, but only based on text that was changed after you voted "Yes" or text that was impacted by text that was changed after you voted "Yes" or based on comments on technical matters that were not resolved adequately.
- ◆ If you already voted "No", you are kindly requested to analyze the comment resolution file and, for submitting a valid ballot:
  - ◆ vote "Yes" if all your concerns are solved,
  - ◆ otherwise, vote "No" again and REPEAT the comments that were not solved to your consent, indicating why the group's rebuttal is not acceptable to you. You may add additional comments constituting a "No" vote, but only based on text that was changed or text that was impacted by text that was changed.
- ◆ If you did not vote or you abstained, vote this time with a valid vote or abstain again with a valid reason to satisfy your voting credit.