



# IEEE 802.17 Resilient Packet Ring Working Group Plenary Session

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### Officers of RPRWG



• Chair

Mike Takefman

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• Web-Master

John Lemon





### IEEE 802 Standards Principals

- Process
  - Rules and Procedures
- Consensus
  - 75% agreement on all technical issues
- Openness
  - Everyone has Access to Process
  - Individuals, World-wide



- Balloting group must include developers and users
- Right to Appeal
  - Both procedural and technical anytime during the process
- http://www.ieee802.org/rules.pdf









### **RPRWG**



- The Resilient Packet Ring Working Group will define a Resilient Packet Ring Access Protocol for use in Local, Metropolitan and Wide Area Networks for transfer of data packets at rates scalable to many gigabits per second.
- Approved Standards
  - -802.17
  - 802.17a
- Current Work
  - Spatially Aware Bridging Study Group



### RPRWG Membership



- Anyone can participate in the working group
  - individuals who feel they have the technical competence to contribute to the standard
  - IEEE membership is not required <u>but any meeting fee must be</u>
     <u>paid</u>
  - attendance at a meeting requires being in the <u>room and initialing</u>
     the attendance sheet for 75% of the meeting (AM and PM)
  - voting rights acquired by attending 2 meetings (one must be a plenary) of the last 4 plenary sessions and starts at the next plenary session (if requested)
  - voting rights maintained by attending 2 meetings (one must be a plenary) of the last 4 plenary sessions



### Attendance Book



- Please *initial* the attendance book each day in both AM and PM
  - failure to do so will mean that you will not be considered in attendance
    - X or Ö are valid marks only if your name is Xavier or Tick
  - do not sign in advance or for another person
    - if you think someone is behaving improperly let an officer of the RPRWG know ASAP



### Attendance Book



- The first section of the book is for people who have attended in the past
  - Sorted by last name
  - Also indicates if you are a voter or eligible
  - Please update any incorrect or missing fields
- If you are a new member, please fill out a blank contact information sheet
- KEEP THE BOOK MOVING!
  - If you see the book just sitting there, please move it along



### 802 WG Procedures



- Robert's Rules of Order
  - people make motions, seconded, discussion ...
- Procedural votes require > 50% to carry
- Technical votes require >= 75% to carry
- Straw polls have no force but are used to gauge the feeling in the room
  - Straw polls can be done twice
    - Vote by members only required
    - Vote by entire room optional



### 802 WG Procedures



- We are at an interim session hence there is no quorum automatically
  - 30 Members
- Never talk about the real cost of things
  - talking about relative costs is o.k.
  - 802 wants to avoid collusion



### Chair's Role



- Run the meeting and try to balance the democratic process along with the responsibility to produce the standard in a timely manner
- Decide what is procedural and what is technical
- I appreciate all feedback (+'ve or -'ve)



# 802 Patent Policy



- Any party that has patents (filed or granted) that are required to implement the standard or is aware of such patents must:
  - inform the Chair of the WG about the patent so
     the patent use letter can be obtained
  - There is a new patent letter form from the IEEE patent committee
- Recent court cases have shown that failure to disclose patents is not a winning strategy



# 802 Patent Policy



#### 6. Patents

IEEE standards may include the known use of patent(s), including patent applications, provided the IEEE receives assurance from the patent holder or applicant with respect to patents essential for compliance with both mandatory and optional portions of the standard. This assurance shall be provided without coercion and prior to approval of the standard (or reaffirmation when a patent 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 the proposed IEEE standard against any person or entity using the patent(s) to comply with the standard or
- b) A statement that a license 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.



### Things Not To Discuss



- Don't discuss licensing terms or conditions
- Don't discuss product pricing, territorial restrictions or market share
- Don't discuss ongoing litigation or threatened litigation
- Don't be silent if inappropriate topics are discussed... do formally object.

If you have questions, contact the IEEE Patent Committee Administrator at patcom@ieee.org



# 802 Patent Policy



- http://standards.ieee.org/guides/companion/part3.html#patents
- "You aren't responsible for patent searches or determining the validity of the patent. Your working group also should not become involved in determining a reasonable fee for use of the patent or any other condition that the patent holder may impose."



### SABSG Schedule



• Oct 2004 Ottawa, Canada

Finalize PAR/5C forward to EC for WG review

Technical presentations and requirements discussion

Presubmit to NesCom

• Nov 2004 San Antonio Texas

Approve PAR/5C forward to NesCom for approval

Finalize requirements, technical direction,

draft structure and project schedule

• Dec 2004 Conference Call

• Jan 2005 Interim Session in Ottawa

• Feb 2005 Conference Call

• Mar 2005 Atlanta, Georgia



# Goals for this Meeting



- Sell PAR/5C to 802 as needed
- Technical presentations on SAB
- Lock down Requirements / Scope / Features
- Operation of Project / Voting
- Approve Initial Schedule
- Beauty Contest on Technical Direction
- Approve PAR/5C



### Rules for this Meeting



- Only questions of clarification during presentations
  - 1 question per person during Q&A
  - Re-circulation to the end of line is acceptable
- Allocation is approximately ¼ of presentation time for Q&A
  - Presenters: Please look at countdown timer on laptop
- Next presenter should get set up at front during Q&A
  - Next presenter must provide the final presentation to the chair and web-master at the beginning of the previous presentation
- Cell phones on vibrate, please.



# Future Meetings



- December 2004 Conference call
- January 2005 Interim Session (?)
- February 2005 Conference call
- March 2005 Atlanta Georgia



# Hosting 802.17 Interims



- Role of the host provide funds to be applied to the cost of running the meeting
  - commitment for an amount that will not be exceeded
- Costs vary dramatically from property to property
  - host commitment is the cushion against unexpected shortfall
  - we budget based on breaking even
  - 16 people fewer than planned drops revenue by \$4000
    - fixed costs are hard to adjust
    - variable costs are food and beverage can always be cut



# LAN Settings



- DHCP Server is active
- Set LAN TCP/IP Properties to get IP address automatically
- No Local Server
- Wireless Settings
  - SSID IEEE
  - WEP OFF



# Eligible for Membership



Nitin Gogate

Patrice Plante



# Membership at Risk



Michael Allen
Stein Gjessing
Asif Hazarika
Philip Kruzinski
Gal Mor
Gady Rosenfeld