Plenary Meeting — July 2009 — San Francisco, California, USA

Official IEEE P802.3at Task Force Meeting Minutes

Chair = Mike McCormack
Recording Secretary = D. Matthew Landry

Note: All times given in local San Francisco (UTC/GMT-7) time

Note: Please see the comment resolution database for a record of comment resolution events. Refer to http://www.ieee802.org/3/at/comments/index.html to find the latest comment database.

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10:00 — Meeting called to order

Appointed recording secretary.

10:03 — Patent policy presented, reviewed, and read aloud by the Chair.
- Slide #1 of the patent policy read aloud
- Slide #2 read aloud, links provided
- Slide #3 read aloud, potentially essential patents
- Chair asks if any members want to identify any potentially essential patents. No responses.
- Slide #4 read aloud, other guidelines

Participant Mike McCormack believes that because of the recently announced Via Licensing/IEEE patent pool, our work is a violation of the Sherman Antitrust act, and intends to inform IEEE of same.

Participant Daniel Feldman formally objects to Mr. McCormack's statement as inappropriate for discussion in this room.

Introductions around the room — by name, employer, and affiliation.

Agenda:
   Tuesday
- Appoint recording secretary
- Introductions
- Patent Policy Review, Rules
- Review and discuss agenda

- Liaison / Adhoc Reports
- Comment resolution

Wednesday/Thursday
- Patent Policy Review, Rules
- Liaison / Adhoc Reports
- Comment resolution
- PAR extension
- Other business

Motion to accept agenda by R. Rannow, seconded by A. Vetteth.
12:11 — Agenda approved by voice without opposition.

Ground Rules:
    Pretend your mother is seated behind you with a rolled up newspaper — just behave.

Electronic Information:
    Website, draft info, private area access given

Present state of the draft:
- 3 comments
- 80% returns
- 97% approval
- 4% abstain
- 2.5 days to clear comments

Time limits:
- Presentations
  - 45 minutes of presentation
  - 15 minutes of discussion
- Debate of motions
  - Number of terms to speak
    - 2 turns priority to first time speakers
  - Time limit of debate
    - 3 minutes per speaker
    - 30 minutes per motion
- Debate of Comments
  - Number of terms to speak
    - 2 turns, priority to first time speakers
  - Time limits of debate
    - 1 minutes per speaker
    - 5 minutes per comment

12:15 — Incoming liaison letter from IEC SC65C JWG10, as forwarded to TF from 802.3 Working Group.

Consensus is that though the group does not consider implementation issues or requests for consultation, there is more leeway with amicably answering liaison requests.

Motion by W. Diab, seconded by R. Rannow:
Move that the 802.3at TF charter an adhoc to draft a response to SC65C/JWG10's liaison letter using the direction captured in the slide "Liaison Response Outline" [reproduced below]. The draft to be reviewed by the P802.3at TF.
> *Liaison Response Outline*
> - The task force has never received any similar letters.
> - We do not response [sic] to specific product questions.
> - The amount of noise that the PD can produce is specified in P802.3at...
> - The bit error rate for a link is specified under (*site* [sic] *three clauses, subclauses*)
- Procedural motion, all in room voting.

11:05 — Motion passes by voice without opposition.

Motion by D. Law, seconded by D. Landry:
Move to change the agenda to revise "Patent Review" to read "Patent Policy Review" in two places and to add an item for "PAR extension" after comment review and "Other business" at the end.
- Procedural motion, all in room voting.

11:15 — Chair rules that motion passes by voice with opposition. Changes reflected in agenda reproduced above.

11:16 — Comment resolution started. Please see comment resolution database for a record of events.

12:00 — Meeting recessed for lunch.

14:00 — Comment resolution resumed.

14:22 — Meeting recessed for coffee break.

14:42 — Comment resolution resumed.

14:45 — Comment resolution completed.

14:48 — Draft liaison response to IEC brought up for consideration. Editorial changes made.

Motion by J. Heath, seconded by T. Huynh:
Move that the TF chair craft a liaison response and forward same to 802.3 WG using outline developed in the meeting.
* Procedural motion, all in room voting.
* Y: 9   N: 0   A: 2
15:31 — Motion passes.

Motion by D. Feldman, seconded by C. Jones:
Move to accept the resolutions to comments as recorded in the comment database.
* Technical motion, all in room voting.
* Y: 13   N: 0   A: 0
15:39 — Motion passes.

Motion by B. Delveaux, seconded by D. M. Landry:
Move to request the 802.3 WG chair forward draft 4.2 to Revcom for approval and perform other tasks as may be necessary for this action.
* Technical motion, all in room voting.
* Y: 14   N: 0   A: 0
15:42 — Motion passes.

Motion by D. M. Landry, seconded by D. Feldman:
Move to approve minutes from March and April as recorded on the website.
* Procedural motion, all in room voting.
15:45 — Motion passes by voice without opposition.

Motion by J. Heath, seconded by A. Vetteth:
Move to request that the 802.3 WG chair request a PAR extension for P802.3at.
* Technical motion, all in room voting.
* Y: 16   N: 0   A: 0
15:48 — Motion passes.

15:50 — Meeting recessed until other business arises or until adjournment is forced due to commencement of 802.3 WG closing plenary.