

# Approved IEEE P802.3cx Improved PTP Timestamping Accuracy (ITSA) Task Force Meeting Minutes

## January 25, 2022, Virtual Meeting

- Minutes prepared by Silvana Rodrigues and Steve Gorshe

### Agenda and General Information Presentation by Steve Gorshe, ITSA Task Force Chair

- Steve Gorshe, meeting and task force chair, begins presenting the [Agenda and General Information](#) slides
- Since this was a virtual meeting, the attendees were not asked to introduce themselves with their affiliations. Instead, the Chair asked them to identify their affiliation in their WebEx user names or in the chat window.
- **Agenda** – Chair presents the agenda for the meeting and asked if anyone had comments, additions or objections for the meeting agenda per slide 2 of the following presentation: [Agenda and General Information](#).
- **Task Force Decorum** - Chair reviewed slide and noted that there should be no recording or photography without permission. The slide included the information prohibiting recording and the requirement for anyone from the press to announce themselves. None responded.
- **Task Force Project Information**– Chair stated that the project information links in the home page have been updated with links to the approved documents.
- **Goals for Meeting** – Chair presented the goals with no comment from attendees
- **Big Ticket Items** – Chair presented the Big-Ticket items aligned to goals with no comments from attendees
- **Reflector and Web** – Chair presented the Task Force reflector and web information. All in attendance were invited to subscribe for Task Force communications and updates.
- **Task Force Private Area** – Chair reminded members of the Task Force Private Area, presented the URL to that private area and presented both the Username and Password to gain access to the URL. Chair also noted that the general IEEE 802.3 Username and Password can be used to access the URL.
- **Ground Rules** – Chair review the meeting ground rules based on IEEE 802.3 Rules.
- **Attendance** – Attendees were reminded of the IEEE 802.3 attendance procedures and asked to follow the link to those procedure for further information. IMAT tool was not used for this meeting, and the Chair stated that Webex will be used for the attendance.
- **Non-payment of meeting registration fees** – Chair noted that meeting registration fees are required in order to participate in any session during an IEEE 802 plenary, including IEEE 802.3 Task Force meetings. This can also apply to subsequent interim meetings. See slide 11 of the agenda deck [Agenda and General Information](#) for a detailed explanation.
- **IEEE 's Patent Policy and IEEE WG Meeting Guidelines (Slides 12-15 or IEEE SA Slides 1-4** – All 4 IEEE SA slides were presented with the Chair highlighting that
  1. IEEE's patent policy is described in Clause 6 of the IEEE SA Standards Board Bylaws where they can be referred to and that the IEEE SA Standards Board Patent Committee Administrator may be contacted with further questions

2. Early identification of patent claims which may be essential for the use of standards under development is strongly encouraged
  3. There may be Essential Patent Claims of which IEEE is not aware. Additionally, neither IEEE, the WG, nor the WG Chair can ensure the accuracy or completeness of any assurance or whether any such assurance is, in fact, of a Patent Claim that is essential for the use of the standard under development.
  4. Participants have a duty to inform the IEEE of the identity of each holder of any potential Essential Patent Claims of which they are personally aware if the claims are owned or controlled by the participant or the entity the participant is from, employed by, or otherwise represents
- The Chair provided an opportunity for participants to identify patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) and/or the holder of patent claim(s)/patent application claim(s) of which the participant is personally aware and that may be essential for the use of this standard.
    - No such claims were brought to the Chair's attention.
  - **IEEE Copyright Policy (slides 16-17)** – The chair also reminded attendees of the IEEE copyright policy.
  - **Participation in IEEE 802 Meetings (slides 18-20)** – Chair reviewed the slides
  - **Overview of IEEE 802.3 Standard Process** – Chair reviewed the 802.3 standards process slide. Chair highlighted that the ITSA Task Force are in the Working Group Ballot Phase.
  - **Liaisons and Communications** – Chair noted that there is one incoming liaison from IEEE 1588 Working Group for this meeting.
  - **Action Items** – There were none to review for this meeting.
  - **Task Force Approved Project Documents** – Task Force project documents remain unchanged and links to the documents were provided. Chair noted that the links have been updated.
  - **Task Force Objectives** – Chair restated the adopted Task Force objectives as updated in January 2022.
  - **Task Force Timelines (slides 26)** – Chair reviewed the timelines.
  - **Agenda (Slide 27)** – Chair presents the agenda for the day
  - Chair put forward a motion for the Task Force to approve the agenda:

**Motion #1: Approve the agenda of the current meeting:**

- Requires >50% (Procedural)
- Moved by : Marek Hajduczenia    Seconded by: Tom Huber
- PASSES with no objections received
- Meeting agenda posted here:  
[https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22int/agenda\\_3cx\\_b\\_0122\\_2.pdf](https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22int/agenda_3cx_b_0122_2.pdf)
- Previous Meeting Minutes - Meeting minutes held on January 12, 2022 (Task Force interim virtual call) are here:  
[https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22/Unconfirmed\\_Meeting\\_Minutes\\_ITSA\\_802d3cx\\_0122.pdf](https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22/Unconfirmed_Meeting_Minutes_ITSA_802d3cx_0122.pdf)
- Chair asked if any attendee had any comment regarding the January 12, 2022 Meeting Minutes. None were received
- Chair put forward the following motion:

**Motion #2: Approve the meeting minutes of January 12, 2022:**

[https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22/Unconfirmed\\_Meeting\\_Minutes\\_ITSA\\_802d3cx\\_0122.pdf](https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22/Unconfirmed_Meeting_Minutes_ITSA_802d3cx_0122.pdf)

- Requires >50% (Procedural)
- Moved by: Clark Carty      Seconded by: Marek Hajduczenia
- PASSES with no objections received
  
- Approved meeting minutes from January 12, 2022 are officially here:  
[https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22/Approved\\_Meeting\\_Minutes\\_ITSA\\_802d3cx\\_0122.pdf](https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22/Approved_Meeting_Minutes_ITSA_802d3cx_0122.pdf)
  
- **Presentations** – In addition to this presentation ([Agenda and General Information](#)), there are other items on the agenda to be reviewed. Chair introduced the agenda items and introduced the first item on the agenda.

## P802.3cx Comment Resolution

### Presentation #1 – Review of comments on draft D2.1, Marek Hajduczenia (Chief Editor), Charter Communications

- The Editor started the comment resolution per  
[https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22/802d3cx\\_D2\\_1\\_WIP.pdf](https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22/802d3cx_D2_1_WIP.pdf)
  
- The Editor created a “bucket list” for editorial comments where the response was clear.
- It was mentioned that there was an email discussion regarding the D2.1 comments on Clause 30. The Editor stated that the proposed modifications in the email go beyond the original scope of the comments. He suggested to address that with a complete proposal with a comment against D2.2 in the re-circulation ballot. He also suggested to work on a consensus building based on a contribution, as this implies in a major change to Clause 30.
- The Editor will export clause 30 to a Word document, and that document can be used (with track changes) to address the propose changes in the email discussion. This document can be used to reach consensus within the Task Force.
- Richard Tse will lead the effort to work on changes for Clause 30 including the definition of new management objects to be submitted as a comment against D2.2.
- The editor resolved most of the technical comments, except a group of comments regarding changing the names of registers (e.g., comment 355),

### Presentation #2 – Explanation for comments on group #355-xxx, Lokesh Kabra, Synopsis

- The Editor presented the contribution that explains the reason behind the proposed changes.  
[https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22int/kabra\\_3cx\\_01\\_0122\\_2.pdf](https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22int/kabra_3cx_01_0122_2.pdf)

- There was a question whether or not it is allowed to change the names of current registers. It was clarified that the location of the registers are not changed, only the names, and in this case it is not a problem.
- It was agreed to change the names of several registers per [kabra 3cx 01 0122 2.pdf](#)
- All comments have been discussed and resolved, except the editorial comments in the “bucket list”. Chair put forward the following motion:

**Motion #3: To accept the proposed responses to D2.1 items in the bucket list.**

- Requires >75% (Technical)
- Moved by: Steve Carlson      Seconded by: Marek Hajduczenia
- PASSES with no objections received
  
- The approved responses to all P802.3cx D2.1 comments were posted after the meeting here: [https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/comments/802d3cx\\_D2\\_1\\_approved\\_20220208.pdf](https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/comments/802d3cx_D2_1_approved_20220208.pdf)
- Chair put forward the following motion:

**Motion #4: To authorize the editor to produce D2.2 on the basis of D2.1 closed comments and proceed to WG recirculation ballot**

- Requires >75% (Technical)
- Moved by: Marek Hajduczenia      Seconded by: Steve Carlson
- PASSES with no objections received

## Liaison

- The Chair presented the liaison from IEEE 1588 Working Group. [https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22int/reply-to-802d3-liaison-802d3cx\\_2021-12-01.pdf](https://www.ieee802.org/3/cx/public/jan22int/reply-to-802d3-liaison-802d3cx_2021-12-01.pdf)
- It was agreed that there is no need to send a response back to IEEE 1588 Working Group.

## FUTURE MEETINGS

- The next IEEE 802.3cx meeting is scheduled to be in March during the IEEE 802.3 Plenary meeting, and it will be virtual. The Chair noted that there will be registration fee for that meeting.
- It was reminded that the deadline for early registration fee is this Friday (January 28, 2022).

## New Business

- There was no new business

## Adjourn

- TF Chair announced that the meeting had completed the agenda and adjourned the meeting.

## Attendance

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Armstrong	Greg	Renesas	Renesas	x				
Baggett	Tim	Microchip	Microchip	x				
Carlson	Steve	High-Speed Design	High-Speed Design	x				
Carty	Clark	Cisco	Cisco	x				
De Koos	Andras	Microchip	Microchip	x				
Gorshe	Steve	Microchip	Microchip	x				
Hajduczenia	Marek	Charter	Charter	x				
He	Xiang	Huawei	Huawei	x				
Huber	Tom	Nokia	Nokia	x				
Law	David	HPE	HPE	x				
Lv	Jingfei	Huawei	Huawei	x				
McKeown	Shane	Calnex	Calnex	x				
Rodrigues	Silvana	Huawei	Huawei	x				
Sivakolundu	Ramesh	Cisco	Cisco	x				
Trowbridge	Steve	Nokia	Nokia	x				
Tse	Richard	Microchip	Microchip	x				