

Agenda and General Information

IEEE P802.3dq
Pin-Optimized PHY Interface Task Force

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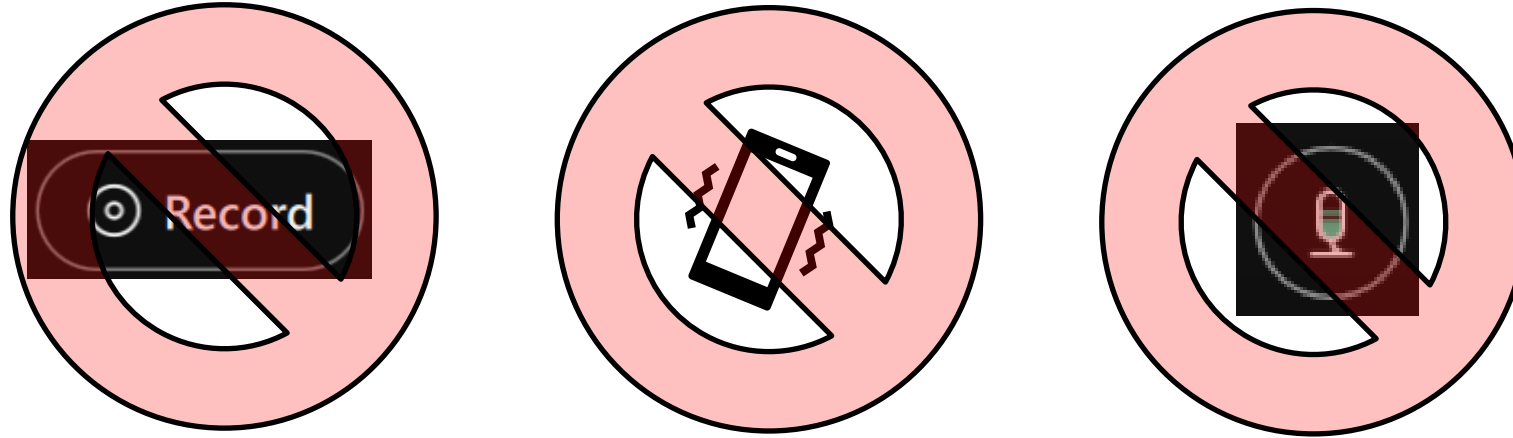
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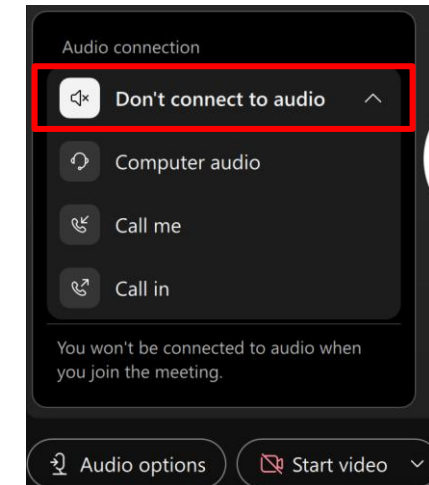
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Goals for the meeting

- Review Technical Contributions
- Vote on Objectives

Big ticket items

- POPI Architecture

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Task Force Private Area

- No private area at this time

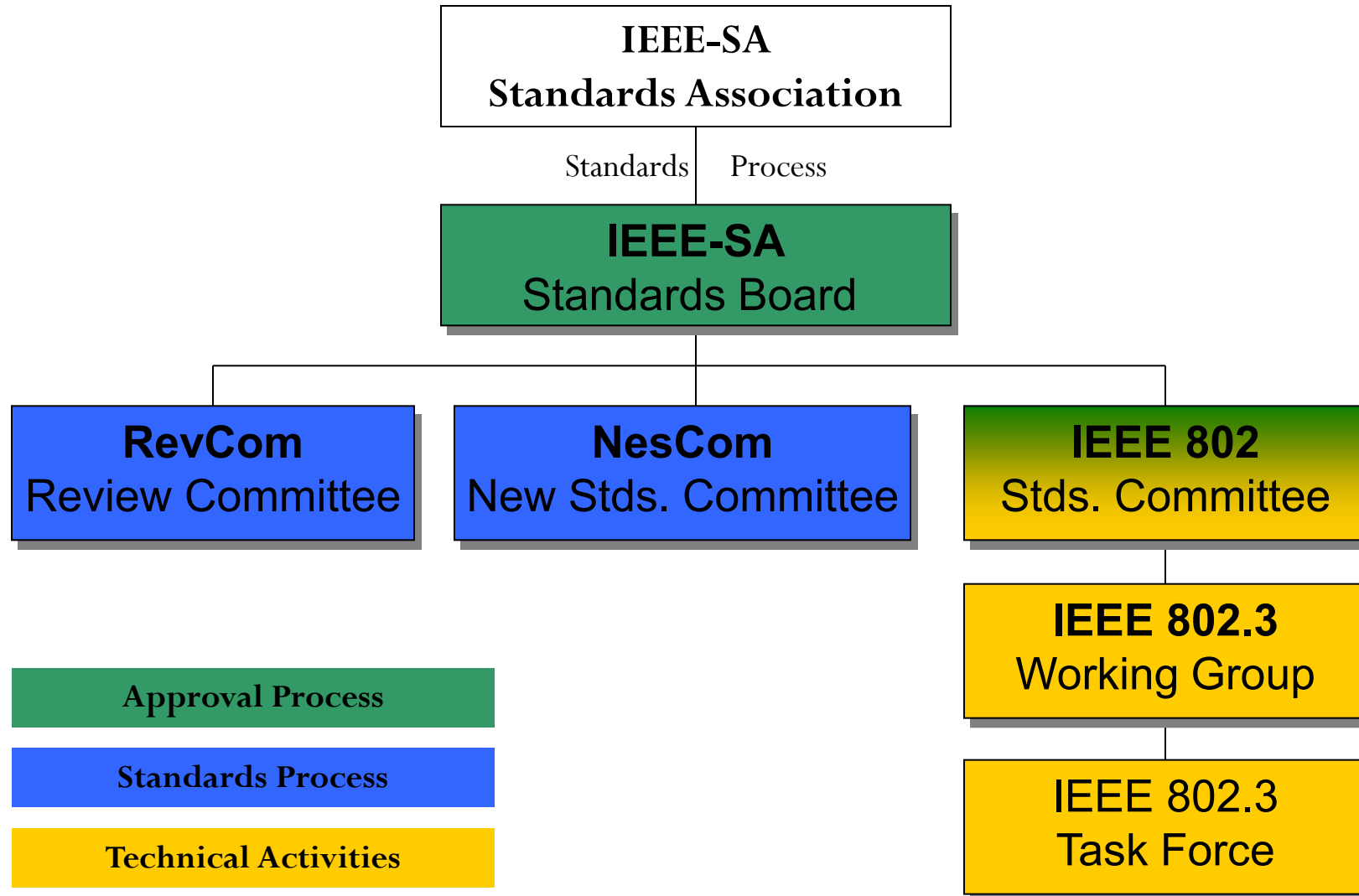
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IEEE Structure



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- **IEEE-SA Operations Manual**
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<http://standards.ieee.org/develop/policies/opman/>
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- **IEEE 802 LAN/MAN Standards Committee (LMSC) Operations Manual**
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 - <https://standards.ieee.org/faqs/copyrights/>
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 - http://standards.ieee.org/develop/policies/best_practices_for_ieee_standards_development_051215.pdf
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 - <https://standards.ieee.org/about/policies/opman/sect6.html>

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References

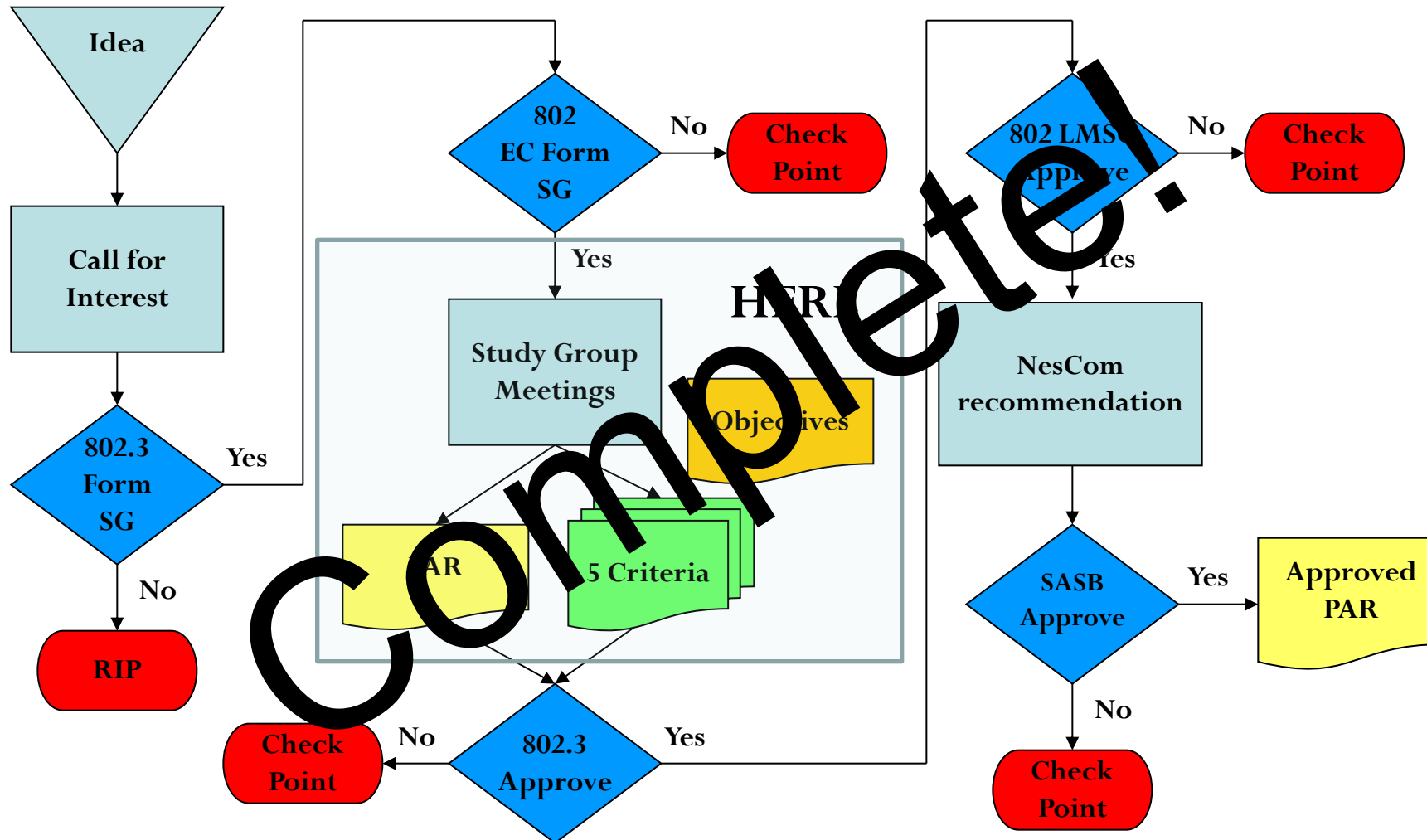
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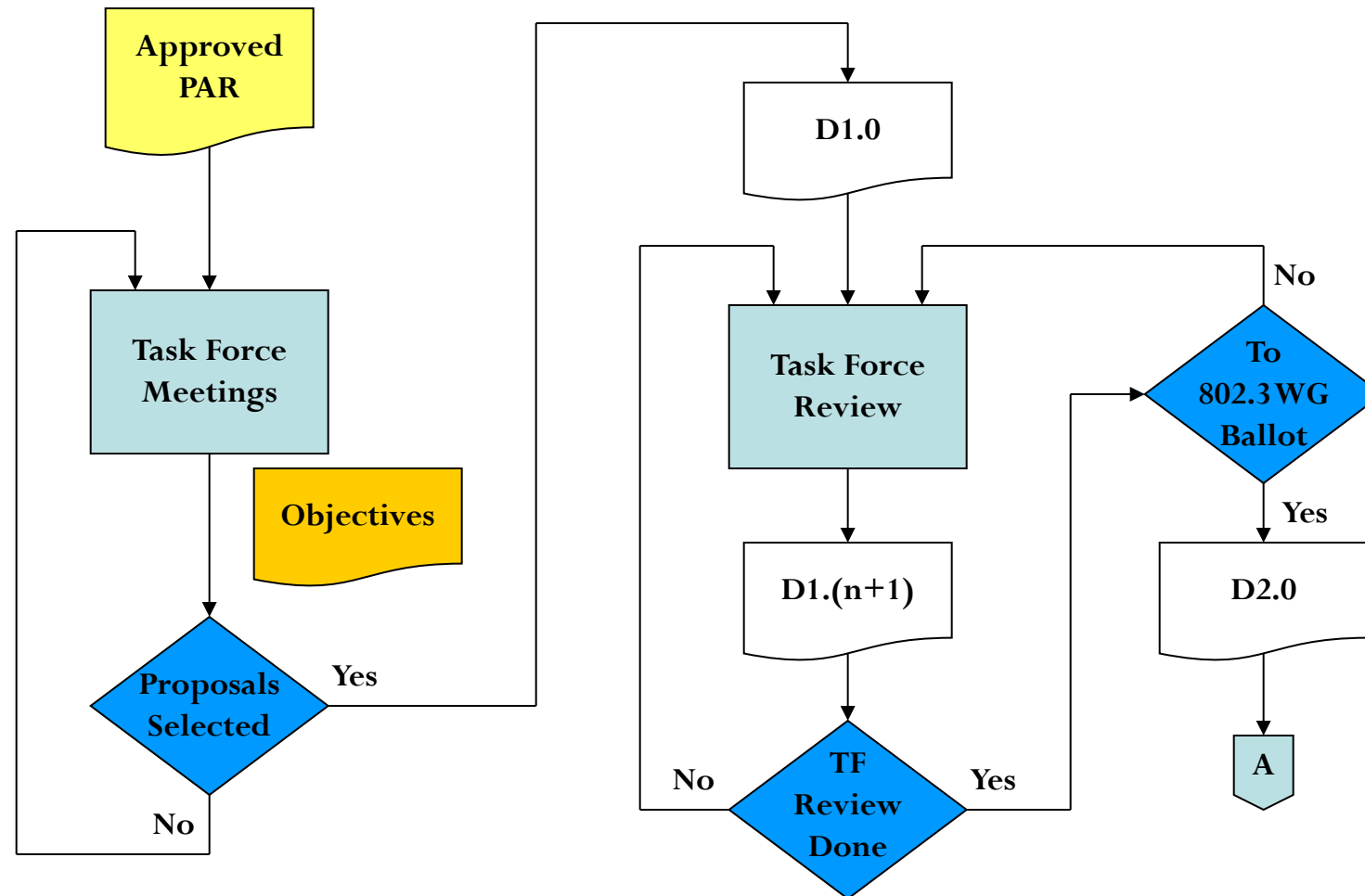
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Overview of IEEE 802.3 Standards Process (1/5)- Study Group Phase

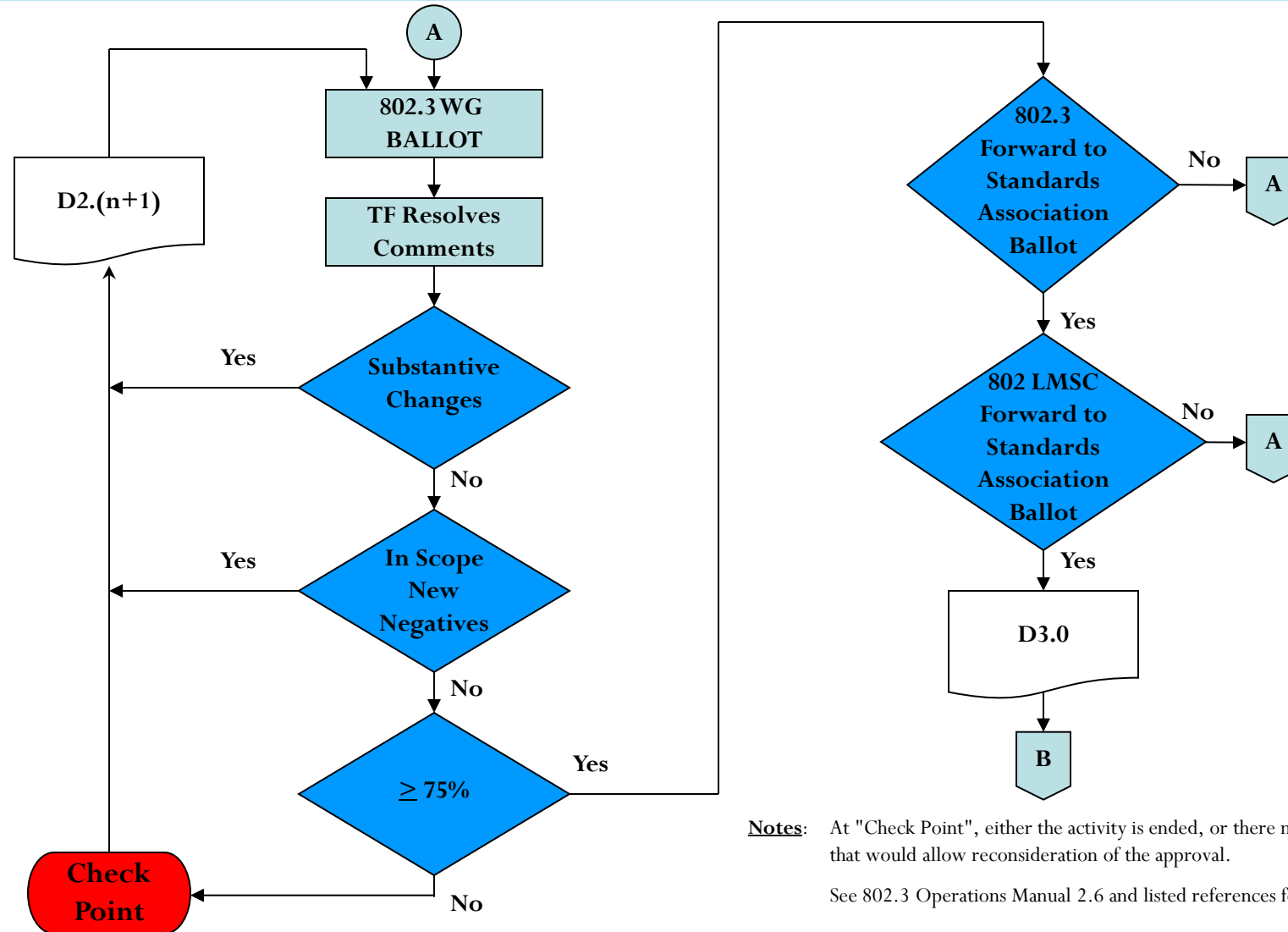


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Overview of IEEE 802.3 Standards Process (2/5) – Task Force Comment Phase



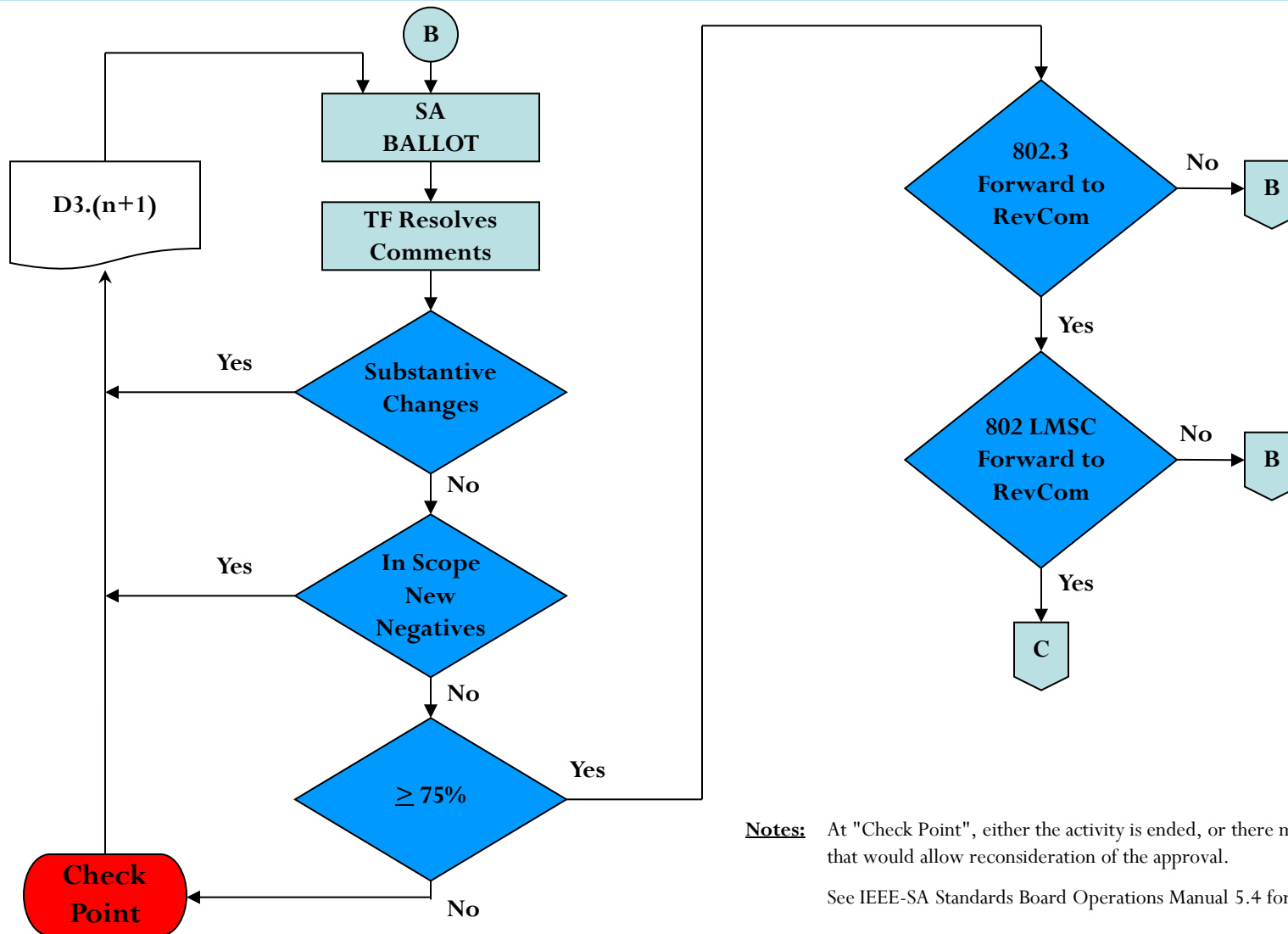
Overview of IEEE 802.3 Standards Process (3/5) – Working Group Ballot Phase



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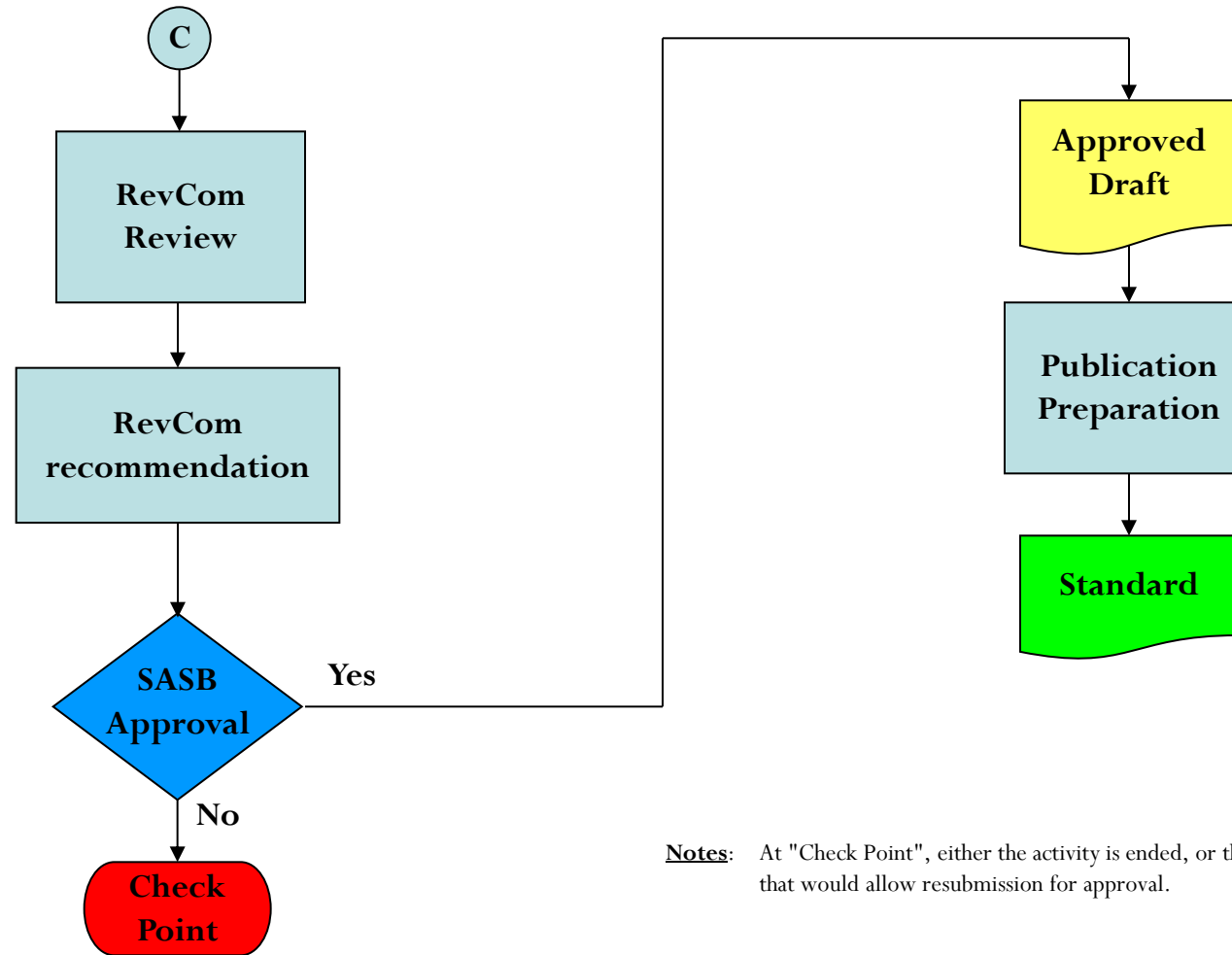
Overview of IEEE 802.3 Standards Process (4/5)- IEEE Standards Association (SA) Ballot Phase



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Overview of IEEE 802.3 Standards Process (5/5) – Final Approvals / Standard Release



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IEEE P802.3dq Pin-Optimized PHY Interface Task Force Approved Project Documents

- PAR
 - <https://mentor.ieee.org/802-ec/dcn/25/ec-25-0127-02-LMSC-ieee-p802-3dq-draft-par.pdf>
- 5 Criteria
 - <https://mentor.ieee.org/802-ec/dcn/25/ec-25-0128-02-LMSC-ieee-p802-3dq-draft-csd.pdf>
- Approved Objectives
 - https://www.ieee802.org/3/dq/new/POPI_Objectives_2025-10-21_v01.pdf

Future Meetings

- See: <http://www.ieee802.org/3/interims/index.html>
- September IEEE 802.3 Interim in Lisbon, Portugal
- POPI Meeting Timeslot:
 - 8 AM Pacific US / 10 AM Central US / 11 AM Eastern US / 4 PM GMT for 2 hours
- Next Virtual Instance(s):

Presentation Request Deadline	Presentation Submission Deadline	Meeting Date
June 5, 2026	June 7, 2026	June 9, 2026

- Anyone interested in hosting an interim meeting contact me or the IEEE 802.3 Executive Secretary [Chad Jones](#).

Presentations

TITLE	FILE DATE / SIZE	AUTHOR(S)	AFFILIATION
<u>Symbol Encoding for POPI for 10/100M PHYs</u> Version 1	2026-07-14 588 KB	Brian Murray, Jacobco Riesco	Analog Devices, Inc.
<u>Partitioning RS functions with POPI</u> Version 1	2026-07-14 171 KB	George Zimmerman	CME Consulting
<u>POPI SerDes Rate Survey</u> Version 1 Late Presentation	2026-07-14 183 KB	Jason Potterf	Cisco Systems, Inc.
<u>Asymmetric 25GAUI: Two Paths Forward</u> Version 1 Late Presentation	2026-07-14 94.9 KB	TJ Houck	Infineon Technologies

Note –Times listed are subject to change.

Motion to follow

OBJECTIVE REVIEW

Basic Objectives

1. Define a scalable logical interface that can support arbitrary port speeds and counts while retaining as many of the features in our Feature Objectives as possible.
2. Define an electrical interface to provide connectivity to a single Ethernet port with 6 or fewer pins operating at MAC data rates up to 100 Mb/s.
 - a) Provide single port connectivity without mandating clock recovery from the data.
3. Define an electrical interface to provide connectivity to 8 ports using 6 or fewer pins, each port with MAC data rates up to 100 Mb/s.
 - a) Provide eight-port connectivity with an electrical interface speed not to exceed 2 Gbps.
4. Do not preclude compatibility between the logical interface and 802.3 PHY types that are specified with GMII or XGMII.

Feature Objectives

1. Provide an extensible communication channel for non-packet data that is carried on the POPI interface pins.
2. Support an error-checked MDIO management interface over the extensible communication channel for non-packet data.
3. Support Energy Efficient Ethernet (EEE).
4. Support half-duplex operation.
5. Support Clause 148 PLCA.
6. Support full-duplex operation.
7. Support auto-negotiation (e.g. Clause 28, Clause 98).

Compatibility Objectives

1. Preserve the Ethernet frame format and content
2. Preserve the preamble and SFD/SMD as presented to the POPI interface
3. Specify a logical and electrical interface between the Media Access Control (MAC)-Physical Signaling Sublayer (PLS), including support for non-MAC clients (e.g., LPI Client), and the following Physical Coding Sublayers specified in:
 1. Clause 96 (100BASE-T1)
 2. Clause 97 (1000BASE-T1)
 3. Clause 146 (10BASE-T1L)
 4. Clause 147 (10BASE-T1S)
 5. Clause 188 (10BASE-T1M)
 6. Clause 190 (100BASE-T1L)
4. Do not preclude support for other existing PHYs specified in 802.3
5. Do not preclude the transmission of packet ingress / egress time data across the interface using in-band data.
6. Do not preclude a logical interface that supports independent transmit and receive data rates.

Motion #1

Move to approve the objectives as shown on slides 44, 45, and 46 of this agenda.

M: Jon Lewis

S: Luisma Torres

Technical ($\geq 75\%$)

Motion passes by voice without objection

Open Questions – Requests for Contributions

- Where should we use 8b/10b?
- Where should we use 64b/66b?
- How should we send link status?
- What should the lowest active speed be for non-SerDes interfaces?
- What should the lowest active speed be for SerDes interfaces?
- What sideband payloads have we missed and what are their latency and bandwidth requirements?
- What per-packet metadata payloads have we missed and what are their size and frequency characteristics?
- What are the requirements around the PLS_CARRIER and PLS_SIGNAL signals at the PLS Service interface?
- How do we support PLCA without COL/CRS?
- What other facilities do we need to provide to support TSN and similar technologies?
- How should we structure our clause(s) for baseline text?
- How much of GMII/XGMII might we be able to leverage for baseline text?
- How shall we byte stuff the channel to minimize buffer requirements for faster-than-necessary channels?
- How do we optimize our choice of clock frequencies and SerDes speeds (e.g. make use of commonly available components in the market)?
- For our electrical interfaces, how much should we specify? For instance, if we specify voltages, which ones?

Thank You!