IEEE 802.3ah Ethernet in the First Mile Task Force Agenda and General Information

Fairmont Hotel Vancouver

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Agenda - Monday

- Welcome and introductions
- Objectives for this meeting
- Reflector and WWW site
- Call for Patents
- WG ballot results
- Sponsor ballot results
- IEEE standards process
- Development schedule
- Sub task force reports
- Reviewing D3.0
- Liaison letter(s)
- Plan for the week
- Future meetings

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Objectives for this meeting

- Respond to and close all comments
- Authorize the creation of IEEE Draft P802.3ah/D3.1

Reflector and web

• To subscribe to our reflector(s), send email to:

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and include one or more of the following in the **body of the message:**

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subscribe stds-802-3-efm-p2p <your email address>
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• Our email reflector policy is described at:

http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm/reflector.html

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• Our web site is located at:

http://www.ieee802.org/3/efm

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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

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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.



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Inappropriate Topics for IEEE WG Meetings

- 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



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WG ballot results

• D2.2 ballot opened 18-Nov, closed 3-Dec

	Initial ballot			post com. res.			Recirc ballot			post com. res.			2nd Recirc ballot		
	#	%	stat	#	%	stat	#	%	stat	#	%	stat	#	%	stat
WG Voters	211			211			211			211			211		
Ballots ret.	112	53	OK	112	53	ОК	116	55	OK	116	55	ОК	126	60	OK
Approve	77	73	FAIL	94	89	ОК	89	81	OK	92	84	ОК	101	85	OK
Disapprove	29			12			21			18			18		
Abstain	6	5	ОК	6	5	ОК	6	5	ОК	6	5	ОК	7	6	ОК





WG ballot results

- IEEE LMSC SEC voted 10-1-0 to grant conditional approval to proceed to sponsor ballot, pending successful completion of D2.2 WG recirculation
- D2.2 WG recirculation ballot closed with:
 - 85% approval
 - no new negative comments
 - no substantive changes to the document
- Having met the conditional approval requirements, an LMSC sponsor ballot was issued on P802.3ah/D3.0

Sponsor ballot results

D3.0 ballot opened 5-Dec, closed 5-Jan

	Initial ballot							
	#	%	stat					
Ballots sent	99							
Ballots ret.	80	80	OK					
Approve	54	73	FAIL					
Disapprove	20							
Abstain	6	8	OK					

These "unofficial" results do not match the results reported by the IEEE-SA balloting center

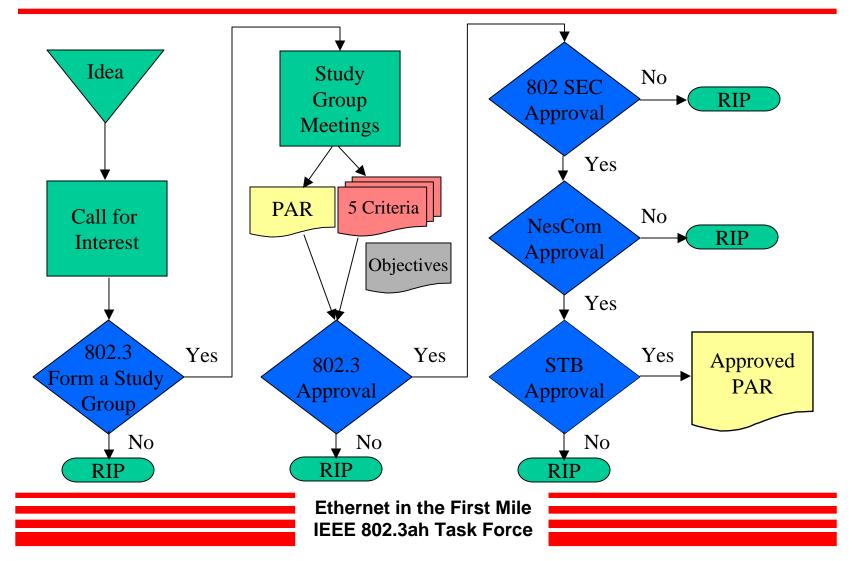
Balloting center incorrectly reports 100 ballots sent because one balloter's name is duplicated

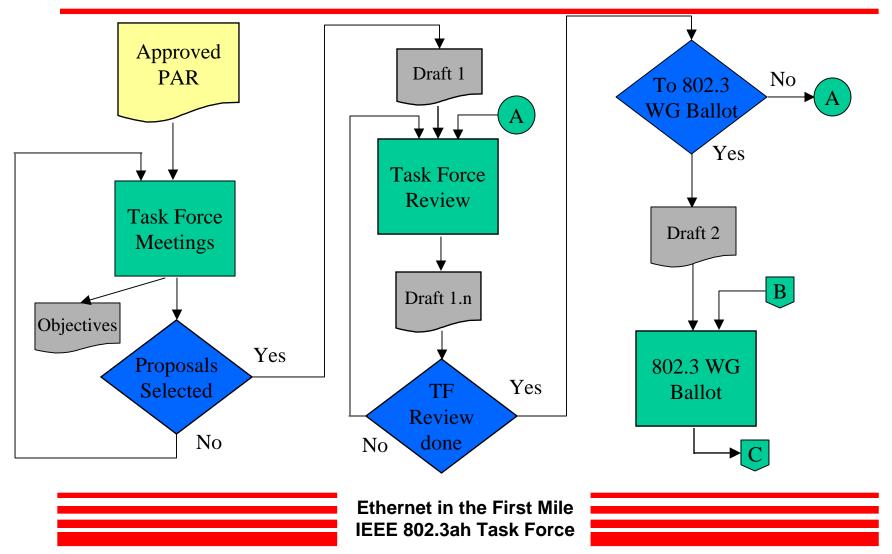
Balloting center counts only 16 "Disapproves" because they think 4 of the negative balloters did not submit comments

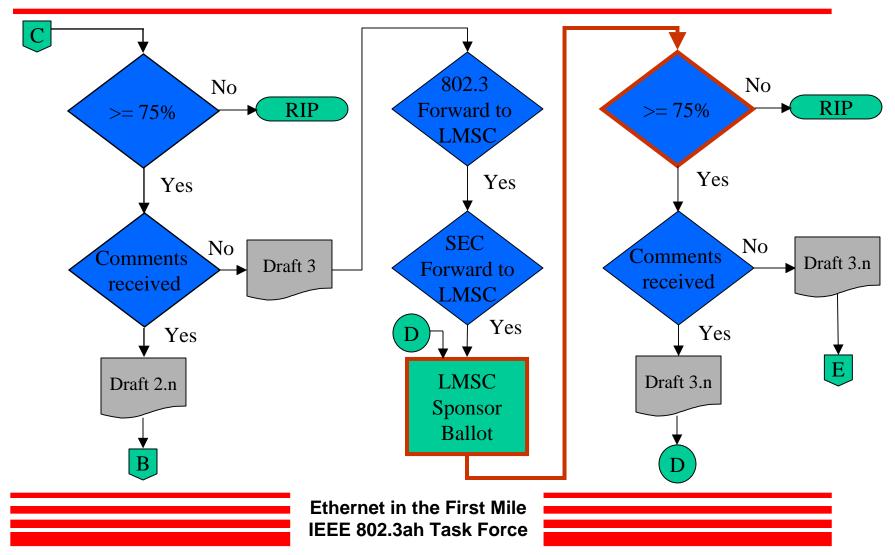
These errors have been painstakingly researched and patiently communicated to the balloting center, to no avail

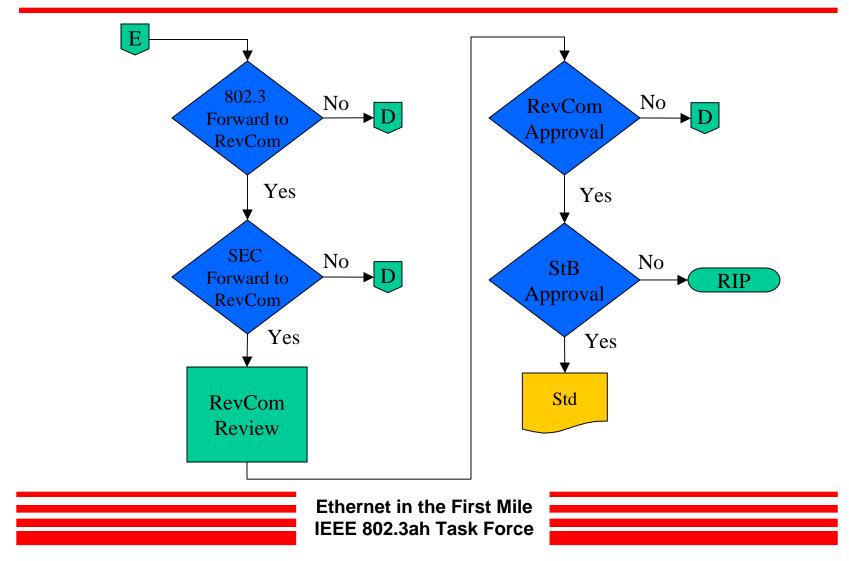
Thus, the balloting center thinks the ballot passed with 77% approval











Development schedule

• We will stay on track IFF:

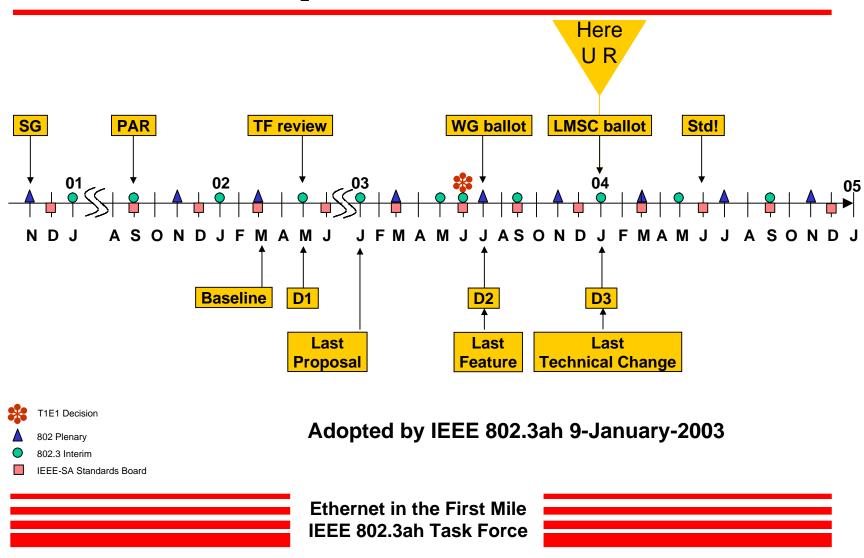
 We consider and respond to all of our comments at this meeting

 We achieve >= 75% approval after resolving comments





Adopted timeline



- Our editors produced IEEE P802.3ah/D3.0, using D2.2, with editorial cleanup
- We received 973 comments on D3.0
 - 152 Technical Required
 - 317 Technical
 - 504 Editorial
- We must consider and respond to each comment





- We do not have to accept every comment
- We can reject comments if they require changes that are undesireable or incorrect
- Every "TR" comment that is rejected must be rebutted and recirculated to the ballot group



- All changes to the draft must be recirculated to the ballot group
- Changes to the draft are "fair game" for new disapprove ballots during a recirculation
- Rejected and rebutted comments are "fair game" for disapprove ballots during a recirculation



- We must reduce the number of disapprove ballots
- We must reduce the number of unresolved "TR" comments
- This is the last chance to improve the draft





Liaison letters

• None received



Plan for the week

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Future meetings

- 15-18 Mar, 2004, Orlando, Florida IEEE 802 Plenary
- Need host for April interim meeting
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