802.3ab Report

802.3 WG approved 802.3ab PAR on 13 March 97

NESCOM approved 802.3ab PAR on 20 March 97

IEEE Standards Board approved 802.3ab PAR on 21 March 97

Task Force held first meeting under new PAR on 15 May 97
Elected G. Eisler, Chair and C. Mick, Editor
Established operating rules on 15 May 97:
Anyone in the room who feels qualified can vote

Vote types are: Technical (requires 75% to pass)

Procedural (requires 50% to pass)

Vote type is the decision of the Chair

Line code decisions made at Maui and London meetings, July and Sept. 97

Channel code decision made at London meeting, Sept. 97

Draft D1.0 presented in Montreal, Nov. 97

Draft D2.0 and Tutorial presented in Irvine, March 97

Decision on Start Up procedure not reached during March Plenary

Held Interim meeting in Merrimack in April and reached agreement on start-up procedure and resolved comments on D2.1

Held Editor's meeting in San Jose in May, resulting in current D3.0

Will meet Tuesday afternoon and all day Wednesday to resolve further comments on D3.0

WE ANTICIPATE SEEKING THE APPROVAL OF 802.3 FOR A WORKING GROUP BALLOT AT THE THURSDAY PLENARY