
IEEE 802.3 Working Group Proposed election procedures March 2008 elections

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General information & requirements

- IEEE 802 LMSC P&P specifies elections occur the first plenary meeting of even numbered years
- IEEE 802 LMSC Officers
 - LMSC Chair will be elected by current Executive Committee during Friday, 21 March 2008 EC meeting
 - TAG/WG Chair and Vice Chair elected by respective groups
 - LMSC officers are appointed by the Chair and confirmed by the EC
- IEEE 802.3 Chair and Vice Chair
 - Any candidates are requested to consult with a member of the EC and announce their candidacy
 - All candidates shall assure they are eligible for confirmation at the March closing EC meeting, and submit for eligibility review:
 - Letter of support
 - Affiliation statement

LMSC Rules Interpretation

- Mr. Nikolich ruled that the P&P with regard to term limits means that a chair must have 75% approval of the members voting ($Y/(Y+N)$) to seek reelection, if they have been in office for more than 8 years plus one day.
- Mr. Nikolich ruled that the policy applies only to an office, individually, i.e., time served in one office does not count against time served in another office.
- Some have asserted that the rule ambiguity allows appeals independent of interpretation and recommend any possibly affected, get an authorizing vote.

Motion

Per the third paragraph of section 7.2.2 of the IEEE 802 Policies & Procedures*, to authorise and allow David Law to run for re-election as an officer of the IEEE 802.3 Working Group in the election of March 2008.

* An individual who has served as Chair or Vice Chair of a given WG for a total of more than eight years in that office may not run for election to that office again, unless the question of allowing that individual to run for election again is approved by a 75% vote of the WG one plenary in advance of that election.

Moved by

Alan Flatman

Seconded by

Geoff Thompson

≥75% required

Y: , N: , A:

IEEE 802.3 Election Process (p.1)

- Opening 802.3 plenary meeting (March 2008)
 - Candidates may announce before or during the opening 802.3 plenary session agenda item
 - If a paper ballot is to be used, it must be mandated by motion during the opening plenary meeting agenda item
- Closing 802.3 plenary meeting (March 2008)
 - An Elections Chair will be established for each election
 - Current 802.3 Chair if not standing for election to the office
 - Else, if not a candidate for the office, current Vice Chair conducts election of Chair, current Chair conducts election of Vice Chair
 - Else, an Elections Chair will be selected by vote of the WG
 - Candidates will be granted time for brief statements
 - Candidates will leave the room during WG discussion prior to a vote

IEEE 802.3 Election Process (p.2)

- Default method of voting is by show of hands with candidates absent from room
 - If no candidate receives a majority of votes cast, a subsequent vote will be conducted
 - On each iteration the candidate with lowest vote count from the previous ballot is eliminated and may return to the room
 - Acting chair may allow limited discussion between ballots
- If a paper ballot was mandated by majority motion
 - Candidates may be present during voting
 - Similar multiple rounds of balloting if required
 - The Elections Chair shall select two monitors to assist in
 - The distribution and counting of ballots
 - Ballots shall be counted in the meeting room
 - A ballot must be marked for only one of the listed candidates to be counted