MINUTES (Unconfirmed) - IEEE 802 LMSC
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING, Revision 0

Wednesday, February 1, 2011 – 10:00 a.m.
All times Pacific Daylight Time (PDT)

Conference call, various locations

EC members present:
Paul Nikolich – Chair, IEEE 802 LAN / MAN Standards Committee
Pat Thaler – Vice Chair, IEEE 802 LAN / MAN Standards Committee
Mat Sherman – Vice Chair, IEEE 802 LAN / MAN Standards Committee
Bob Grow – Treasurer, IEEE 802 LAN/MAN Standards Committee
James Gilb – Recording Secretary, IEEE 802 LAN / MAN Standards Committee
Jon Rosdahl – Executive Secretary, IEEE 802 LAN / MAN Standards Committee
Tony Jeffree – Chair, IEEE 802.1 – HILI Working Group
David Law – Chair, IEEE 802.3 – CSMA/CD Working Group
Bruce Kraemer – Chair, IEEE 802.11 – Wireless LANs Working Group
Bob Heile – Chair, IEEE 802.15 – Wireless PAN Working Group
Roger Marks – Chair, IEEE 802.16 – Broadband Wireless Access Working Group
John Lemon – Chair, IEEE 802.17 – Resilient Packet Ring Working Group
Mike Lynch – Chair, IEEE 802.18 – Regulatory TAG
Steve Shellhammer – Chair, IEEE 802.19 – Wireless Coexistence Working Group
Subir Das – Chair, IEEE 802.21 – Media Independent Handover Working Group
Apurva Mody – Chair, IEEE 802.22 – Wireless RANs Working Group
Geoff Thompson – Chair, IEEE 802.23 – Emergency Services Working Group

Non-voting members:
Buzz Rigsbee – Meeting Planner, Member Emeritus (non-voting)

EC members absent:
Mark Klerer – Chair, IEEE 802.20 – Mobile Broadband Wireless Access Working Group

Other attendees:
Tricia Gerdon, IEEE
Michelle Turner, IEEE
John Hawkins, Cienne
Kathryn Bennett, IEEE
Clint Chaplin, Samsung
Radhakrishna Canchi, Kyocera
Wael Diab, Broadcom
Dawn Slykhouse, Face to Face Events

Meeting called to order at 10:05 am

Agenda

1) December BOG meeting update, Paul, 15 minutes
2) New Model for Maintenance of IEEE Standards, Geoff, 30 minutes (see attached material)
3) 802 Workshop Saturday afternoon before the March Plenary--finalize agenda and participants, Paul, 30 minutes
4) Update on March 2012 venue options, Buzz, 15 minutes
5) Any other business? 15 minutes
Gilb called the roll, 2 voting members absent.

Nikolich reviewed the proposed agenda.

Under 5) add:
- Update on Singapore meeting (Rigsbee)
- JTC1 ad-hoc meeting minutes (Law)
- SLA ballot review (Kraemer)

Modified agenda is now:
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Motion is to approve the amended agenda.
Moved by Law, seconded by Kraemer
No objections, agenda is approved.

10:15 am
1) December BOG meeting update, Paul, 15 minutes

Nikolich discussed the new Smart Grid initiative launched by IEEE SA.

Kraemer asked for Gerdon to talk with Bill Ash to provide us with relevant information.

Nikolich asked Gerdon to come back with an executive summary of the Smart Grid initiative.

Nikolich discussed “A motion was approved that the BOG directs the SASB to implement a policy that ensures the participation database (when successfully implemented as determined by the SASB) is used by all working groups.”

Law said that they have been trying for years to capture everyone in the process.

Grow joined at 10:21 am.

Law said that since we are using IMAT, 802 would be compliant.

Law also said that IMAT does not capture email list participants.

Thompson said that IEEE tries to make it mandatory by using their software systems and these systems are not adequate.

Grow said that the goal is to gather people on the IEEE reflectors and IMAT would not be only tool for it. It would include Sponsor ballot via myBallot.

Thompson said that for study groups that are pre-PAR would need to be captured as well.

Nikolich discussed a resolution that the international ad-hoc would coordinate all communication with China.

There was a request to read the text of the motion:
“A motion was approved that the BOG appoints the international ad hoc as coordinator of all IEEE-SA engagements
with China on issues involving interaction with ISO and IEC.’

Thompson said that this was not clear with respect to JTC1 and suggested that the next BoG meeting should clear this up.

Nikolich said that this means that we should copy them on the dialog. They are not in the approval cycle, but are being kept informed.

Nikolich discussed “A motion was approved that David Law and Jim Wendorf will be the mentors for “Ethernet Wireline Bandwidth Needs” ICAID.”

Law discussed the purpose of the group. It will use 802.3 rules.

Lynch asked if we would see action on the Smart Grid before Singapore or after. He said that he was on a call in which the IEEE said that they would present a position at the May Geneva meeting.

Grow said that the object of the Smart Grid initiative was to get our share of the standards business. It will include funding for additional staff. As an example, P2030 publication editor will be working on the draft in parallel with the working group.

Mody joined at 10:37 am.

Nikolich asked Gerdon if 30 days would be sufficient to get information from Ash.

Gerdon said that she had sent an email to Ash to ask him.

2) New Model for Maintenance of IEEE Standards, Geoff, 30 minutes (see attached material)

Thompson discussed his email regarding maintenance of IEEE standards. They wanted to adopt this at the December meeting without discussing it with the Sponsors.

Thompson had suggested a comment round to collect comments, followed by a voting round of yes/no with the pool being able to see the comments. When the IEEE does adoption of other standards, it is an approval process.

Thompson said that if revision cycles were kicked out to 10 years, then the industry changes too much.

Jeffree said that if groups aren't making amendments to a standard in our business, then it is a dead standard anyway.

Grow said that the proposal includes an affirmative withdraw option to remove standards that are no longer needed.

Thaler said that the flow chart contained the information related to why the standard was withdrawn, but the rules did not.

Nikolich asked if Thompson wanted 802 to take a position on this.

Thompson said yes.

Nikolich appointed Thompson to take the lead on generating an 802 position on the proposed changes.

Kraemer said that there are several people on the call today that participated in the creation of the document. While there was not unanimous agreement all all points, there was significant discussion. Kramer said that he feels that the proposal is better than what we currently have.

Jeffree said that it does not appear that anything here would have impact on the 802.1 standards. They would regularly get caught by the 3 year requirement to revise.
Thaler would be more in favor if the rules reflected the flow chart. In the rules, there is only one status, inactive. There is no equivalent of “stabilization”.

Jeffree said that while the term “stabilization” is not used, they have created the equivalent of the ISO stabilization model.

Thompson said that depends on the availability of withdrawn standards. The IEEE cannot even make current standards available, so it is not clear that withdrawn standards would be available.

Thaler said that there are other documents in 802.1 that are not changed as often, e.g. 802.1AS.

Rosdahl participated in part of this and thinks it is an improvement. This is a step toward fixing the confusion in the current reaffirmation ballot.

Kraemer suggested that we comment on the disagreement between the flow chart and the text. The text was edited to match the flow chart. The flow chart was to be used as a reference.

Nikolich said that the consensus seems to be that the text should match the flow chart and that many are OK with the flow chart.

Bennett said that the approval balloting process is still under discussion and is funded.

Thaler said that the ability to put in comments during reaffirmation provides a method to provide input for the next revision.

Law said that part of the problem with how groups responded to comments in the reaffirmation ballot.

Gilb said that one issue is that when you do the revision, myBallot does not necessarily allow the person doing the revision to gain access to the comments from the previous reaffirmations.

Thompson recommended that we enter a comment that says we are opposed to it because the flow chart does not match the text.

Nikolich asked Thompson to develop the language and circulate it for comment.

Grow said that we should specific about the things that are missing.

Thaler said the key one was that there are two withdraw paths, but the rules only list one state.

Grow pointed out that there is a comment phase in maintenance. It needs to be clearer about the comment periods in the maintenance phase.

Thompson said that it is only a withdrawal ballot. What is the process for a withdrawal ballot?

Thaler said that we have a withdrawal ballot process within 802. Typically we use administrative withdrawal.

Nikolich wrapped up the discussion by asking Thompson to develop the position and circulate it on the reflector prior to an EC ballot, prior to the 18th so 802 EC can comment prior to the 28th deadline.

Nikolich asked if there was any objection to closing discussion and moving on. No objections.

11:14 am

3) 802 Workshop Saturday afternoon before the March Plenary--finalize agenda and participants, Paul, 30 minutes

Nikolich reviewed the 802 workshop. Nikolich asked all Chairs to prepare 10 minutes information regarding the status of the group. While not all the EC members will be able to make it, other EC members or designated individuals can present. Lemon said that he would be there and would present instead of Law.
Slykhouse joined the meeting at 10:16 am.

Nikolich sent all GlobeCon presentations to Gilb to be posted to the 802 website.

Nikolich reviewed the proposed list of presentations and the EC members will be available.

Attending: Jeffree, Law, Kraemer, Heile, Lemon, Lynch, Das, Mody (or will assign replacement), Thompson

Working on replacement: Thaler, Marks, Shellhammer, Klerer (via Canchi)

Lemon asked how we would know how many are coming?

Nikolich asked for RSVPs to be sent to Rigsbee.

Rigsbee suggested an alternate email address.

Law said that the flyers have been already sent out without the RSVP information. It is OK to ask, but we shouldn’t expect an accurate count.

Nikolich said that EC members need to provide a draft of their materials to Gilb no later than 28 February to post to http://www.ieee802.org.

Kraemer asked if the GlobeCon 2009 presentations were representative.

Nikolich said that they were a good start.

Law asked for EC members to email a request if they want the .ppt files from GlobeCon 2009.

Nikolich suggested 10-15 slides.

Lemon asked if groups that do not need the time can yield time to groups that need more time.

Nikolich said that we would adjust the times as appropriate.

Nikolich asked for an announcement updated with a request to RSVP to 802infor@ieee.org.

11:34 am

4) Update on March 2012 venue options, Buzz, 15 minutes

Rigsbee discussed the 2012 options. We have confirmation from Huawei is no longer capable of hosting the March 2012 venue. This will make it difficult to host the meeting.

Option 1: Hilton Waikoloa Village, Kona, HI.

Option 2: Heile has been working on options in the Far East. One is Nanjing, PRC that has full conference center and 900 room hotel. This depends on getting the right kind of hosting deal. Second is Melbourne convention center, Melbourne, Australia. Airinex can provide support for meeting planning. Heile has identified hosting funding to offset expenses. Still issues to resolve.

If Hilton Waikoloa village is not selected for that meeting, we would use it for a future meeting.

Kraemer asked if the only the Nanjing required a host or if all three required hosting.

Rigsbee said that for Nanjing, the host would be the city of Nanjing.
Heile said that Nanjing and Melbourne will both charge for meeting space, which increases the cost. If Nanjing comes through, they would underwrite the cost of the meeting rooms and F&B. In Melbourne there is the possibility of $250k AD that will offset some of the meeting room fees.

Rigsbee said that he is still waiting for details so that he can provide full budgetary detail.

Heile said that we would have information on Option 2 sites prior to Singapore.

Rigsbee said that we should expect a decision on the meeting at the Friday closing plenary.

Marks asked if the Macao was definitely terminated.

Rigsbee said that it was definitely terminated because without a host it would be too expensive.

11:47 am
5) Other business. 15 minutes
   - Update on Singapore meeting (Rigsbee)

Rigsbee said that we were able to get them to voluntarily go from 375SD to 250 SD early bird and 296 SD regular. We have confirmed all items in the contract. We now have over 70% of our block filled. We will probably see upwards of 800 attendees at the meeting. We are still having difficulty with two issues, 1) visa invitation letters (still working on) and 2) shuttle to the hotel shuts down at 11 pm to once every hour. Many flight come in around 11 pm-2 am. Working with the hotel to extend every ½ service later in the night.

Thaler said that we should focus on other issues than the shuttle.

Slykhouse says that there are still issues with the reservation site. Keep trying to make the reservations.

Marks suggested that the tutorials be open to individuals who have not registered.

11:54 am
   - JTC1 ad-hoc meeting minutes (Law)

Law reviewed the minutes and suggested a revised version.

Gilb will remove the current version.
   - SLA ballot review (Kraemer)

Kraemer said that he received many comments and would like reassurance that the group wants to go forward.

Nikolich asked for objections to pursuing the development of the SLA

No objections: Nikolich, Gilb, Rosdahl, Sherman, Heile, Shellhammer, Lynch, Das

Objections: Grow, Jeffree, Law, Marks, Lemon, Thompson

Abstain: Canchi, Mody, Thaler

Kraemer suggested a phone call between Nikolich and Judy Gorman to discuss the issues.

Law suggested working with Bob LaBelle because the services are provided with IEEE.

Nikolich will discuss this with Gorman

Action items:
1. Gerdon to obtain an executive summary of the Smart Grid initiative and circulate it to the EC members, ideally no later than 28FEB2011
2. Thompson to circulate a draft of the 802 position on the New Model for IEEE Standards Maintenance in the next couple of days. EC members to work with Geoff on revising the position text so that an EC email ballot on the text can begin no later than 18FEB2010.
3. Rigsbee to provide 802 Workshop invitation flyer to Fanny Su and David Law that includes an RSVP to 802info@ieee.org.
5. Law to provide source ppt files of 2009 Globecom 802 Workshop to EC members that ask for them.
6. EC members to provide updated versions of 2009 Globecom 802 Workshop to Gilb no later than 28FEB2011 for use in the Saturday PM 12MAR2011 802 workshop in Singapore
7. EC members are expected to make a final decision on the MAR2012 venue by the end of the Singapore plenary session
8. Law to revise JTC1 ad hoc minutes and provide them to James for posting.
9. Marks to use EC reflector to determine if there is consensus to make the Singapore plenary session tutorial slots open to interested parties at no charge
10. WG Chairs to provide Thaler volunteers to run the 802 newcomer meetings
11. Nikolich to work with Judy Gorman on the Service Level Agreement objectives
12. Nikolich to post action items to EC reflector

Slykhouse asked everyone to confirm their room reservations at the Marina Bay Sands and to respond with meeting room requirements.

Meeting adjourned at 12:08 pm

Respectfully submitted
James Gilb
IEEE 802 LMSC Recording Secretary