

MSC Meeting, Draft 00:

18:00-21:00 PDT, Monday, 2005Apr11  
Toll House Hotel, Los Gatos  
With teleconferencing

Attending:

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Note: \* Secretary responsible for the minutes

(The item numbering follows the agenda numbering.)

I--Dinner:

Another fine meal was had by all.

II--Call to Order

III--Introductions

IV--Approval of agenda

V--Approval of minutes

The approval of the minutes was deferred, due to the last posting of the minutes by the Secretary. Approval is now scheduled for the next meeting. Of course, corrections can be sent to the Secretary earlier.

VI--Call for patents

Bob Davis presented the IEEE approved "call for patents" statement and read their contents to the audience.

VII--Officers reports

VII.1--Chair: Bob Davis, Report for 2004.

Report presented. Several new projects have been started.

VII.2--Vice-Chair: Dave Gustavson

Nothing to report.

VII.3--Treasurer - Bob Ferguson

The current balance is: \$5,596.24

VII.4--Secretary - Dave James

Nothing to report as Secretary. However, as an afterthought, we should discuss Style Guide feedback under new business.

IX--Liaison Reports

IX.1--Standards Board - Davis

A new WG policies and procedures is being worked, but has concerns expressed by Bob Davis.

Issues such as "has to be balanced" are a concern.

Copyright issues have some concerns.

Peter noted that submitters can retain the copyright, provided the WG can copy these freely for the purposes

of standardization.

Issues of non-IEEE members on Sponsor ballot have arisen, some have been accepted as "recognized experts".

IX.2--IEEE RAC: Dave James/Dave Gustavson

DBG noted that the EUI pages have been approved and posted. Further IAB pages have been reviewed w/o objection.

IX.3--Microprocessor TAG Report: Peter Johansson

Peter is the TAG representative:

- owes Bob Pritchard a status report on 1394
- owes MSC a report on 1212
- will assist Martin if he desires to forward 1285

X--Old Business

Nothing to report.

XI--New Business

XI.1--Vicky Markstein

Request for a new study group, on "Flow Cytometry".

Measurement of characteristics of a cell through flow.

Status: Approved w/o objection.

XIII.2--1596 SCI

1596 harmonization to be coordinated w/ David Gustavson (perhaps a backwards flow into the IEEE)

Par for SCI revision: approved with one objection

XII.3--Templates

DVJ noted that Style Manual comments had been posted to the reflector, but no feedback had resulted.

Resolution: Post these again, wait two weeks. In the absence of objection, forward to Yvette as MSC comments.

XII--WG reports

IEEE 754(revision): Dan Zuras

a) Decimal floating point:

Peter Tang (Intel) proposed an alternative data format for the decimal standard, based on trying to implement the approved format in SW. Benchmarks went much faster using this format; Dan noted it could be done in VLSI simply also. So, a controversy now remains to be solved.

b) Voting rules are being experimented in an attempt to improve convergence.

P1285: David V James

The draft is now in Sponsor Ballot.

P1394: Peter Johansson

a) 1394.1 status: editorial work by IEEE editors done, in review for final publication.

b) 1394c status: Michael requested to provide a status report.

P1796 RBR: David James

No recent progress to report. Hopefully, the idle period will allow some charter sensitivities to abate.

P1896: Memory channel: Bob Davis

Has been working with Ralph Lachenmeyer.

AMD, HP, SUN, Infineon, among interested parties.

First face-to-face to be 2nd week in June.

P1953: BioInformatics

Drafted P&P and voted in officers

Vicky Markstein - Chair

Suzanna Lewis - Vice Chair

Betty Cheng - Secretary

XIII--Study Group Reports

XIII.1--Study group report from William White (1363 Encryption)

Expect a PAR at the next meeting.

XIII.2--Sequence Ontology (P1953.x) PAR, with the MSC

deferring to the study group on the value of 'x'.

Status: approved w/o objection

XIV--Good of the Society

General discussion on the benefits of Life Sciences in IEEE.

XV--Next meetings (2nd Monday of each quarter)

2005Jul10

2005Oct10

2006Jan09

2006Apr10

XVI--Adjourned