

P1450.4 meeting minutes - 01/28/04

Attendees: Ernie Wahl, Tom Micek, Jim O'Reilly, Dave Dowding, Tony Taylor, Eric Nguyen, Doug Sprague, Don Organ, Jim Mosely, Jose Santiago

Not present: Yuhai Ma

Agenda:

- Progress report on STC/STIL .4 collaboration
- Update on PAR status
- Update on starting point for syntax.
- Face-to-face meeting in the near future?
- Continuation of conceptual model discussions.

Progress report on STC/STIL.4 collaboration:

Update from Tom Micek: Favorable response from STC members at Phoenix meeting. Left up to board to make final decision. Favorable response from the board; working through any possible legal issues.

PAR status:

Update from Tony: From ITC meeting last year, .5 was dropped (a joint decision of the STIL WG chairs - to be restarted at a later date). At that time, .4 was also dropped (nadvertently). Once a PAR is dropped, can't resubmit for an extension - need to resubmit PAR. Tony will resubmit PAR within the next week.

New chair of TTTC is Rochit Kapur (old chair was Adam Cron).

ACTION ITEM: 1450.4 WG members: Review existing PAR, and forward any comments/suggestions regarding possible changes to Tony Taylor (t.taylor@ieee.org)

Update on starting point for syntax:

From Don: Still working through the company process for sharing Stylus (SW and/or syntax documents). In the meantime, he's working on the possibility of setting up a webcast session to demo Stylus language and software for WG members. Tony stated that, in sharing such information, Inovys will probably need to provide clearances to IEEE. Note that we're not necessarily trying to simply adopt one vendor's language as the standard, but rather are using it as a starting and/or reference point to aid in the development of our language and syntax.

Dave: Don, when might you be in a position to present the demo?

Don: Probably within the next week or so. The thinking in Inovys is that Don would first present the demo. Following that, if the WG felt that it would be helpful to get additional information (such as documentation and/or actual SW), then that avenue would be pursued. Providing the documentation is really more of a bandwidth issue for Don, rather than getting management clearance.

Dave: Propose that we have the demo in the hour preceding our normal Wednesday conference call.

Don: Will set up the session (using PlaceWare - participants will need to set up PlaceWare access).

Face-to-face meeting?:

Dave suggested that we probably need to have a face-to-face meeting sometime within the next few months. General consensus from WG: A good idea, but some WG members (Jim, Ernie) might have problems getting company travel sponsorship for such an activities. Jose suggested doing this in conjunction with another conference, such as VTS (**Jim's note:** VTS this year is being held on April 25-29, 2004, in Napa, CA).

Tony: Recommend 2-day WG meeting (most progress occurs on the 2nd day).

Jim: Suggested the possibility of holding a face-to-face in conjunction with remote conferencing, such as Webex or Placeware.

Tony: Meetings in the past have been fairly free-flowing and unstructured - and if you're not physically present, effective participation is difficult.

Dave: Two possible locations are Bay Area (most WG participants seem to be west coast) or Loveland. WG members to investigate possibility of travel (costs, timing, company sponsorship, etc.) to either location.

Closing comments:

Tony: STIL.1 and STIL.6 are now in balloting. Several responses back on .1, all positive. If you're on either of those balloting groups, don't forget to ballot!

Action item from last week (Jim O'Reilly) - check with Tony/Greg regarding access to our work (meeting minutes, etc.) from IEEE STIL web site.

Status: Done - according to Tony, a link to our STIL web site (maintained by Don) was added to the IEEE STIL web site "many moons ago". See the link entitled "NEW-WEB-SITE" on the P1450.4 page of the IEEE STIL web site.

Action items:

- Set up web-based demo for P1450.4 WG on Inovys Stylus SW/language (Don Organ)
- All WG members - forward any comments/suggestions regarding wording of PAR to be resubmitted, forward to Tony Taylor.
- Resubmit PAR for P1450.4 (Tony Taylor)
- All WG members - if you're on the .1 or .6 balloting group, don't forget the ballot deadlines!