

To: Ben Johnson, President, IEEE-SA BoG
From: Paul Nikolich, Chairman, Geoff Thompson, Vice-Chairman; IEEE 802
Date: March 12, 2002
Subject: Co-location of IEEE-SA BoG and IEEE 802 meetings in July 2002

Dear Ben,

Thank you for the kind invitation to co-locate the July 2002 IEEE-SA BoG and Project 802 meetings. As I indicated in my prior email, it would be valuable to have the IEEE-SA BoG and IEEE 802 meetings co-located. Co-locating our meetings will enable our respective groups to have face-to-face discussions on topics that are of vital importance to our constituencies and in so doing achieve a better understanding of each other.

IEEE 802 will be holding its Plenary Session on Monday through Friday July 8-12. Assuming the IEEE-SA BoG holds its meetings Friday/Saturday July 12/13, the IEEE 802 recommends a joint meeting between the IEEE 802 Sponsor Executive Committee and the IEEE-SA BoG be held from 5pm-6pm on Friday afternoon.

We suggest the agenda for this meeting as follows:

- each group presents an itemized list of their respective major standards challenges
- each group singles out one issue for in depth discussion
- initiate the resolution of those two issues.

As you suggested, we can follow this meeting with a joint dinner to allow us to informally exchange our ideas.

Lastly, one of the imperative guiding principles of standards development is openness. IEEE 802 adheres to this principle and request that the IEEE BoG agree to have all meetings open to observation by all 802 attendees at the July meeting.

Regards,

Paul Nikolich
Geoff Thompson