Welcome
IEEE 802.16
Working Group on
Broadband Wireless Access

802.16 Session #64
Opening Plenary

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Outline

Administrative Announcements

See http://ieee802.org/16/legal.html
- Disclosure of Affiliation
- Ethics policy
- Patents
- Copyrights

Working Group operation

IEEE 802 News
Disclosure of Affiliation

• See:

• Important note:
  – Attendance software requires an “Affiliation” field
  – This is the appropriate Affiliation field per IEEE-SA disclosure requirements and will be reported as such.
Ethics policy

See:

- http://ieee.org/web/membership/ethics/code_ethics.htm
Patent Policy and Procedures

IEEE-SA Policy materials:
http://standards.ieee.org/board/pat/pat-material.html
Patent Policy Slides

Slide set for presentation:

http://standards.ieee.org/board/pat/pat-slideset.ppt
IEEE 802.16-Specific Letters of Assurance in IEEE-SA Patent Database

http://standards.ieee.org/db/patents/pat802_16.html
The Working Group Chair or his or her designee shall issue the call at every Working Group meeting.

If a group is “meeting” for consecutive days and the attendance is substantially the same for each day of the gathering, the policy only needs to be read once. If the chair plans not to read or display the policy each day, then the chair must either (a) ensure that the policy or a URL for it has been sent out to all attendees prior to the meeting (and is available in the registration packet for any on-site registrants), or (b) announce each day that the meeting is subject to the patent policy as read or displayed on the first day.

Note, though, that this rule applies separately to each “group” that is “meeting” during the week. For example, if a working group holds a meeting during the same week as its task group, task force, and/or study group, the chair of each of those groups must read or display the policy at the beginning of that group’s first day of “meeting.”
Rules: Copyrights

http://ieee802.org/16/ipr/copyrights
Two main IEEE 802 Governance docs:

1. Policies and Procedures (P&P)
2. Operations Manual (OM)
3. [future: IEEE 802-level P&P for WGs]

- Significant changes have been over the last year or two; for example:
- “No quorum is required for any WG meeting publicly announced at least 45 days in advance.”
3.2.3 Operation of the Working Group

• The operation of the WG has to be balanced between democratic procedures that reflect the desires of the WG members and the WG Chair’s responsibility to produce a standard, recommended practice, or guide in a reasonable amount of time.
3.2.2.1 Chair's responsibilities

- To decide which matters are procedural and which matters are technical
- To decide procedural matters or defer them to a majority vote by the WG

- Note: 802.16 Chair delegates the power to make procedural decisions to the presiding Task Group Chair
IEEE 802 OM: WG Domination

• The Working Group Chair has the responsibility to “To determine if the WG is dominated by an organization and, if so, treat that organizations’ vote as one (with the approval of the Sponsor).”

Please bring any concern to the immediate attention of WG Chair!
Contribution Procedures

http://WirelessMAN.org/submit.html

Submittals that violate the procedures will not be accepted!
IEEE 802: Project Progression

- Draft PARs
  - [http://ieee802.org/PARs.shtml](http://ieee802.org/PARs.shtml)
  - 802.22 Chair proposes to put 802.11af, 802.19.1, 802.22, 802.22.3 PARS on one agenda item (White Space/UHF)
    - [http://ieee802.org/secmail/msg12191.html](http://ieee802.org/secmail/msg12191.html)

- Possible Drafts to Sponsor Ballot on Friday
  - ...

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  - ...

- Study Groups
  - ...
IEEE 802 Rules Issues

• [discussion on Operations Manual to be updated prior to 802.16 Opening Plenary]
Other IEEE 802 EC Issues

• Smart Grid
  • Monday Tutorial 7:30-9:00 pm
• IEEE-SA MoU with TTA
• Emergency Services Study Group report
• Plenary Session – Advance Registration proposal
  – See <http://ieee802.org/secmail/msg12174.html>
• IEEE 802 Actions regarding IEEE 802 Architecture
  – See <http://ieee802.org/secmail/msg12185.html>