#### Proposed rule changes for March 2014

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#### 10.0 Revision of Sponsor P&P

- Revisions to these P&P shall be submitted to the Sponsor no less than 30 days in advance of a motion (or conclusion of an electronic ballot) to approve them. Amendments in response to comments on the P&P are permitted. Insufficient time to consider complex amendments is a valid reason to vote disapprove. A motion to revise the Sponsor P&P shall require a vote of approve by at least two thirds of all voting members of the Sponsor.
- We have 6 officers, 10 voting WG/TAG chairs (one overlap)
  - 15 voting members, 2/3 approval is 10 affirmative votes

#### 4.1.5 Revision of OM and WG P&P

- Revisions to these documents shall be submitted by a Sponsor member to the Sponsor no less than 30 day in advance of a Sponsor Vote to approve them. The Sponsor member proposing the revision may modify the proposed revision during the 30 days prior to a Sponsor Vote (in response to comments). Insufficient time to consider complex modifications is a valid reason to vote disapprove. A motion to revise these documents shall require a vote of approve by at least two thirds of all voting members of the Sponsor. Votes to approve revisions shall be taken at a plenary session. If approved, revisions become effective at the end of the plenary session where the votes were taken.
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  - 15 voting members, 2/3 approval is 10 affirmative votes

#### Proposed P&P changes

#### **Editorial**

- Issue: Some instances of "802" with out preceding "IEEE"
- Proposed Resolution: Search and replace all "802" with "IEEE 802" when the preceding acronym is not present
  - For example, see 5.2, fourth paragraph.

## Appointment of other than officers

#### Appointment categories:

- Vice Chair(s): P&P 3.1 "The Sponsor Chair appoints a (1st) Vice Chair and may appoint a 2nd Vice Chair"
- Executive Secretary, Recording Secretary, and Treasurer: P&P 3.1 "These positions are appointed by the Sponsor Chair"
- Members Emeritus: Nothing stated
- Chairs of Hibernating WGs: P&P 5.2.1 "The Sponsor Chair may appoint new non-voting hibernating WG Chairs to replace vacancies as soon as practical"
- ECSG chair: P&P 5.4 "the ECSG Chair is appointed by the Sponsor Chair"

#### Members voted on:

- Sponsor Chair: P&P 3.1 "elected by the members of the Sponsor"
- WG Chairs and Vice Chairs: WG P&P 6.2 "A WG may elect a new Chair or Vice Chair at any plenary session"

## Appointment of Members Emeritus

- Add as the penultimate paragraph of 4.0
  - "Members Emeritus are appointed by the Sponsor Chair and are confirmed by the Sponsor"
  - Should we delete Member Emeritus from the rules?
  - Should we restrict privileges for non-voting members?
  - Should we have a higher level list of what a non-voting member can do?
- Add Jeffree motion

## Hibernating WG Chairs

- In 5.2.1, change as shown:
  - Hibernating WG Chairs become Non-Voting Members of the Sponsor after their WG enters hibernation. The Sponsor Chair may appoint new non-voting hibernating WG Chairs to replace vacancies as soon as practical, subject to confirmation by the Sponsor at the next plenary meeting. A non-voting hibernating WG Chair of the Sponsor shall be recognized as a full member of the Sponsor, having all rights and meeting privileges except the right of voting on Sponsor motions.

## Voting membership clarification

- Pointed out in July 2013 (rewrite?)
- 4.1 Voting membership
  - "Voting Members of the Sponsor obtain voting rights at the end of the plenary session where they are first confirmed or elected by the Sponsor. If election/appointment and confirmation by the Sponsor occur outside a plenary session, that member receives voting rights immediately upon Confirmation."

## Election of Sponsor Chair

- Change 3.1 to be:
  - The Sponsor Chair is elected by the WG
     Chairs and TAG Chairs who are Voting
     Members members of the Sponsor and is confirmed by the Standards Activities Board.

# Removal of non-voting members

- Currently, there is no way to remove from office an appointed member of the Sponsor.
  - Removal of Sponsor officers is defined in P&P 3.3
  - Removal of WG Chair or WG Vice Chair is defined in WG P&P 6.4
- Add to the end of 4.0
  - A Non-Voting Member may be removed by a two-thirds vote of the Voting Members of the Sponsor. Grounds for removal shall be included in any motion to remove a Non-Voting Member. The Non-Voting Member suggested for removal shall be given an opportunity to make a rebuttal prior to the vote on the motion for removal.

#### WG P&P proposed changes

#### IEEE LMSC P&P motions

- This motion is brought under Clause 10.0 "Revision of Sponsor P&P" of the IEEE 802 LMSC P&P.
- Moved: Approve the changes in ec-14-0011-03-00EC, slide 6-10.
  - Moved: Gilb
  - Second: D'Ambrosia
  - Vote:

## Appointment of Members Emeritus

- This motion is brought under Clause 10.0 "Revision of Sponsor P&P" of the IEEE 802 LMSC P&P.
- Moved: Add as the penultimate paragraph of 4.0 in the IEEE 802 LMSC P&P
  - "Members Emeritus are appointed by the Sponsor Chair and are confirmed by the Sponsor"
- Moved: Remove Members Emeritus and all references to it from the IEEE 802 LMSC P&P, IEEE 802 LMSC OM and IEEE 802 LMSC CG

## WG P&P updates

- This motion is brought under the process described in the subclause "Revision of the IEEE 802 LMSC OM and IEEE 802 LMSC WG P&P" of the IEEE 802 LMSC OM.
- Motion: The EC approves the changes described in document ec-14-0011-03, slides 12-16, to the IEEE 802 LMSC Working Group Policies & Procedures
  - Moved: Gilb
  - Second: D'Ambrosia
  - Vote:

## CG updates

- This motion is brought under the normal process of approving actions of the Sponsor.
- Motion: The EC approves the changes described in document ec-13-0011-03, slide 18, to the IEEE 802 LMSC Chair's Guidelines
  - Moved: Gilb
  - Second: D'Ambrosia
  - Vote: