21JAN2016 draft minutes from regulatory mission and organization meeting rev01

Meeting convened at 8:05am by Pat Thaler meeting chair  
Meeting location: Edgewood room, Hyatt Regency Atlanta GA

Attendees: Paul Nikolich, Pat Thaler, Roger Marks, Dorothy Stanley, Adrian Stephens, Rich Kennedy, Mike McInnis, Mike Lynch, Bob Heile, Steve Shellhammer, Walter Penciak, Ben Rolfe

Agenda:

1. Review and revise radio regulatory draft mission
2. Review organizational options
3. Draft a recommendation to the 802 EC for implementation

Notes:

1. Review and revise radio regulatory draft mission
   1. Thaler presents draft mission developed at prior meeting on this topic on 12NOV2016 at the 802 plenary session
   2. Shellhammer proposes organizing the mission into ‘Internal’ and ‘External’ communication components
   3. Discussion regarding objectives of Internal communication to produce an External communication
      1. How to accommodate differences of positions among WGs?
      2. How to enable a WG to directly communication with Regulators
      3. The 802.11/15 regulatory standing committee had a significantly greater participation (40 people) than the 802.18 RR tag (8 people)
         1. Discussion regarding the reasons for the participation disparity
         2. Topic driven
         3. Standing committee vs TAG voting criteria
   4. Regulators prefer hearing from 802 as a single voice, however occasionally there are discordant voices within 802. This reality must be accommodated, but how? Discussion ensues.
   5. Consensus is reached on a revised draft mission statement:

Drat Mission statement:

1) Internal communication

a. notify Working Groups of relevant regulatory inquiries, activities and timelines

i. notification should be made as information becomes available rather than based on meeting schedule

b. provide expert advice to improve Working Group positions during review

2) Represent IEEE 802 as the leader in wireless access networking development

a. Provide regulators with roadmap and rationale for new standards work

b. Develop a relationship with regulators that encourages dialogs, both formal and informal

c. develop common 802 positions, accommodating differences among 802 subgroups, as feasible in accordance with deadlines

d. draft regulatory inputs on topics involving multiple Working Groups

1. Review organizational options
   1. Technical Advisory Group (TAG) vs Standing Committee (SC)?
      1. TAG is structurally OK, but needs the following changes to become more flexible
         1. Schedule two meetings per session at regular times (i.e., 8-10am Tuesday and 8-10am Thursday) during plenary weeks
            1. These two meetings are the ones counted toward attendance credit for voting membership
         2. TAG representatives to work with WG representatives between above two meetings to refine draft positions
         3. Reminder: WGs retain the ability to develop positions independent of the TAG
      2. SC removes the ‘voting member’ barrier to active participation
      3. Staw poll: TAG with the changes above 7 (Roger, Dorothy, Rich, MikeL, Bob, Steve, Ben); SC 2 (Adrian, Paul); abs (MikeM, Walter)
   2. Mike agrees to run the 802.18 TAG in March in accordance with these changes.
2. Next steps
   1. PatT to present results of this discuss to EC at Fri/Sat workshop
   2. EC to consider conducting an EC Email ballot to approve the revised draft mission
   3. EC motion for March to mandate the meeting structure changes above.
3. EOM 9:43am