# IEEE 802.16 Working Group on Broadband Wireless Access

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WG Status Report and Proposals:
WG Teleconference of 8 May 2014

#### 802.16 WG Officers

- Chair: Roger Marks
- Vice Chair: Harry Bims
- Secretary: Harry Bims
- Treasurer: Tim Godfrey

## 802.16 Membership

- 9 Members
- 1 Potential Member
- 1 Member in Peril
  - -http://ieee802.org/16/members.html

#### **Previous Sessions**

- Session #89
  - -20-23 January 2014
  - Los Angeles, USA
  - -Session #89 Report
    - http://ieee802.org/16/meetings/mtg89/report.html
- Session #90
  - -18 March 2014
  - -Beijing, China
  - Session #90 Report
    - -http://ieee802.org/16/meetings/mtg90/report.html

#### **Previous Teleconferences**

- 2014-02-11
  - report
- 2014-04-02
  - report
  - insufficient advance notice per IEEE 802 WG P&P
  - informational only; no decisions

#### **Future Sessions**

- http://ieee802.org/16/calendar.html
- May 2014: Session #91: cancelled

14-17 Jul 2014: Session #92, San Diego

 Sept 2014: Session #93: (tentatively cancelled)

3-6 Nov 2014: Session #94, San Antonio

## Chair's Views and Proposals

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- Session #90
- WG Officers
- Working Group Prospects and ongoing project development

#### Session #90

- Session #90 Planning at 11 Feb telecon
  - 0 registered with indicated interest in 802.16
  - 1 WG member registered (Tim Godfrey)
  - obligated to conduct session due to elections
- Agreed to Chair's proposals
  - Tim Godfrey to Chair Session #90
  - one two-hour slot
  - agenda to include elections; Chair noted:
    - it is not certain that election results would be confirmed by IEEE 802 EC
      - if not, vacancies would be filled temporarily
      - elections probably scheduled for July Plenary

#### Session #90 Activity

- Tim Godfrey served as Chair
- One other member (Jaesun Cha) attended
- Marks and Bims on remote voice link
- Long discussion of WG project viability
- Actions (per draft minutes):
  - approved agenda
  - approved minutes of Session #89
  - approved minutes of 11 Feb teleconference
  - approved liaison 802.16-14-0032-02 to ITU-R
  - cancelled 802.16 meeting at Session #93
  - conducted elections

#### Session #90: 802 EC Response

- IEEE 802 EC failed to confirm elections
  - deferred until July 2014 802 Plenary
  - Marks and Bims remain acting
- Assigned action as follows: "Marks to provide 802.16 report to the EC with detailed schedule for each of the projects, which shall be posted 1 week prior to the July 2014 Opening EC Meeting."
- See IEEE 802 EC minutes

# Session #90 Followup Proposal

- Proposed way forward:
  - WG should decline to approve Session #90 minutes
  - Rationale: Insufficient attendance. Each motion required a mover and a seconder. Chair ineligible to move or second. Only one other member in attendance. For each motion, Chair needed at least a mover or a seconder from the remote link. The meeting validity is therefore debatable.

## Session #90 Proposal: Implication

- Would need to resolve the following unconfirmed Session #90 actions:
  - approval of minutes of Session #89
  - approval of minutes of 11 Feb teleconference
  - -approval of liaison 802.16-14-0032
  - approval of cancellation of 802.16meeting at Session #93
  - –elections (see next slide)

## Session #90 Proposal: Elections

- Would need to resolve the following:
  - schedule and announce new elections for Session #92 in San Diego, CA, USA (Opening Plenary, 2014-07-14)
  - Note: "A WG may elect a new Chair or Vice Chair at any plenary session, subject to confirmation by the IEEE 802 LMSC Sponsor" (see IEEE 802 LMSC WG Policies and Procedures)

#### Suggested Possible Motions

- 1. To approve IEEE 802.16-14-0010-00 as the Minutes of Session #89
- 2. To approve the minutes of the 11 February 2014 teleconference <u>as posted</u>
- 3. To approve liaison 802.16-14-0032-00
- 4. To cancel 802.16 Session #93
- 5. Considering the low attendance at Session #90, to schedule and announce elections for WG Chair and Vice Chair, for the term ending in March 2016, to be held at Session #92 (2014-07-14)
- 6. To express appreciation to Tim Godfrey for his exceptional effort in chairing Session #90.

## Working Group Prospects

- Working Group has three PARs
- Participation in all three is light
- WG participation as a whole is light
- IEEE 802 EC members inquired during March Plenary regarding WG and project viability
  - see <u>IEEE 802 EC minutes</u> and <u>IEEE</u> 802.16-14-0034-03

## More Stringent IEEE 802 Review

- Nov 2014 revision of IEEE 802 LMSC Operations Manual on criteria for standards development (CSD) ["Five Criteria"]:
  - The CSD statement shall be reviewed and approved by the WG and the Sponsor as part of the approval process for the following:
    - Forwarding the PAR to NesCom
    - As part of the WG ballot to assure the draft is consistent with the 5C
    - Forwarding the draft to Sponsor ballot
    - Forwarding the draft to RevCom

#### Possible Project Relocation

- Consider opportunities to move projects into other 802 WGs
- 802.16.3 is an independent project and could move
- 802.16q and 802.16 are amendment projects
  - responsibility for entire IEEE Std 802.16 could be moved
- Look to re-energize projects with broader engagement
- Look for project synergy
- Look for WGs with broad enough mandate
- Would require a PAR change, because PAR specifies WG.

## Suggestions

- IEEE Std 802.16 and amendments should not be renumbered.
  - 802.16.3 could be renumbered.
- IEEE 802.16 members should become members of the WG.
- Could target action at July 2014, but that might not be feasible.
- IEEE 802.16 WG could go into hibernation.
- Proposal: WG Chair raises the issue to WG officer meeting at the Wireless Interim, inviting interest among WGs.