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**Minutes Fibre Channel Protocol
(T11.3) Task Group plenary meeting #148
2022 October 06 – 10:30AM to 11:30AM CDT
Dallas, TX + Virtual Meeting**

1 Opening remarks and introductions

The Chair convened plenary meeting #148 of the Fibre Channel Protocol (T11.3) Task Group on 2022 October 06 at 10:31 CDT. He introduced himself as Craig Carlson (Marvell), and the group thanked SFF/SNIA for the hotel arrangements and Marvell for the virtual meeting facility. Roger Hathorn (IBM) introduced himself as Vice-Chair and Patty Driever (IBM) introduced herself as secretary. Members present and on Zoom introduced themselves.

2 Approval of the Agenda

An electronic version of the agenda, [T11-2022-00294-v000](#), and supporting documents were made available among the documents for this meeting. The agenda was in HTML format with links to the appropriate supporting documents. The chair presented the agenda and made a call for any new agenda items. No new items were requested.

David Peterson (Broadcom) moved and Jason Rusch (Viavi) seconded that [T11-2022-00294-v000](#) be approved as posted as the agenda for this meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

3 Administrative Matters

3.1 T11.3 Admin Is Trivia

The Vice-chair, Roger Hathorn (IBM), stated that T11.3 administrative information is available among the documents for this meeting: Starting with the web page <https://standards.incits.org/apps/org/workgroup/t11.3/> links lead to contact information for T11.3 officers, membership rules, project information, procedures and operating rules, patent rules, and internet resources. The chair recommended that members

familiarize with these rules so the business of the Task Group may be conducted expeditiously. Members were advised to see any of the officers if they require additional assistance.

3.2 Document Distribution

The Vice-Chair instructed those present how to access meeting documents via the INCITS T11 Web Site Center page <https://standards.incits.org/apps/org/workgroup/t11/documents.php>. The chair uploaded a zip file document containing all documents reviewed at this meeting: [T11-2022-00325-v000](#).

3.3 Other matters of grave concern

The Vice-Chair instructed those present how to register using the electronic attendance list for this meeting. He reminded those present that the electronic attendance list would become the only formal record of attendance at this meeting.

4 Code of Conduct

The Vice-Chair reminded everyone that we are operating under the INCITS Code of Conduct (found at <https://www.incits.org/standards-information/policies>). The General Principles of this code include:

- Respect others
- Behave ethically
- Escalate and resolve disputes
- Work for the net benefit of the community
- Uphold consensus and governance
- Agree to a clear purpose and scope
- Participate actively and manage effective participation

5 Patents

The Vice-Chair presented an overview of INCITS patent policies and guidelines, as found in INCITS Policies and Guidelines (<http://www.incits.org/standards-information/legal-info>), sub clause 8.4. In accordance with those policies, the chair made a call for patents that related to the standards being developed by this task group. Those companies wishing to file a patent declaration should send it to the chair of TC T11, with copies to Lynn Barra at INCITS (lbarra@itic.org).

6 Antitrust Policies

The Vice-Chair noted that the INCITS Antitrust Guidelines applied to this task group meeting. The chair further noted that it was the responsibility of all attendees, and not just the officers, to ensure that the Guidelines are followed, and to terminate discussions if they are not. As examples, there should never be discussion of the following topics at any INCITS or INCITS subgroup meeting:

Any company's prices or pricing policies; Specific R&D, sales and marketing plans;

Any company's confidential product, product development or production strategies;

Whether certain suppliers or customers will be served;

Prices paid to input sources; or

Complaints about individual firms or other actions that might tend to hinder a competitor in any market.

The INCITS Antitrust Guidelines are available on the INCITS web site (<http://www.incits.org/standards-information/legal-info>).

7 Attendance and Membership

7.1 Current membership list

The Vice-Chair encouraged those who attend T11 meetings regularly or intend to attend T11 meetings regularly and are not T11 members to consider joining the organization.

Information on how membership is gained, maintained, and lost in any INCITS Technical Committee or Task Group may be found in INCITS Organization and Procedures (<http://www.incits.org/standards-information/policies>) sub clause 3.8. An overview of these requirements was introduced by the chair and was available to all attendees in the electronically distributed meeting documents.

The Vice-chair presented the current list of members and representatives, and invited corrections. The membership effective for this meeting, as adjusted for changes introduced at this meeting, is shown in Annex A. Attendance for this meeting is shown in Annex B.

7.2 Roll Call of Members in Jeopardy; Jeopardy Letter (Non-Attendance and Letter Ballots)

No company was in jeopardy for this meeting cycle.

7.3 Announcement of New Members & Membership List Update

7.3.1 Changes in representation since last meeting

Dr. Ramana Murty was added as Alternate for Broadcom Corporation. All other representation for Broadcom remains the same.

Christian Schmutzer was added as an Alternate for Cisco Systems, Inc. All other representation for Cisco remains the same.

Henry Park was added as Alternate for MediaTek USA Inc. All other representation for MediaTek remains the same.

7.3.2 New voting memberships

MediaTek was eligible for and requested voting membership at this meeting and it was granted.

7.3.3 Voting memberships changed for other reasons

No changes to voting memberships were made at this meeting.

7.3.4 Changes in advisory membership

No changes to advisory memberships were made at this meeting.

7.3.5 Changes in emeritus membership

None

7.4 Call for Quorum

7.4.1 Membership for this meeting and call for quorum

Task Group T11.3 had 10 voting members at the previous T11.3 plenary meeting (August 11, 2022). At this meeting, October 06, 2022:

- 1 new voting member organizations (see 7.3.2);
- 0 reinstated voting member organization (see 7.3.3)
- 0 voting member organizations losing voting membership for not attending the required number of meetings (see 7.2); and
- 0 voting member organizations losing voting membership for other reasons, the voting membership of T11.3 is now at 11 members.

7.4.2 Quorum Call

11 voting members responded to the call for quorum. A quorum of one third of the voting membership for this meeting requires at least 4 voting members present. The number 11 exceeds or equals one third of the voting membership for this meeting and also exceeds or equals 4. A quorum is therefore present for this meeting.

8 Approval of Minutes - Meetings #147

The prior plenary meeting of the Fibre Channel Protocol (T11.3) Task Group was #147 on 2022 August 11. The draft minutes of that meeting were posted as document [T11-2022-00243-v000](#).

You may review the T11.3 minutes by reviewing the version that is posted on the web site and requesting corrections either before the subsequent meeting using the Internet mail reflector (fc_protocol@standards.incits.org) or at the subsequent meeting in person. Non-editorial and/or substantial requests for corrections will be noted in detail at the next plenary meeting prior to the plenary body voting on the minutes. Until approved by the plenary body, these minutes are unofficial draft minutes only.

Dave Peterson (Broadcom) moved and Jason Rusch (Viavi) seconded to accept at this meeting [T11-2022-00243-v000](#) as the minutes of T11.3 meeting #147 on 2022 August 11. The motion passed unanimously.

See Action Item [22-013](#).

9 Review of Old Action Items

ACTION 22-009	T11.3 secretary to post T11-2021-00199-v001 as the approved minutes of T11.3 meeting #146.
ACTION 22-010	T11.3 secretary to post T11-2022-00243-v000 as the draft minutes of T11.3 meeting #147.
ACTION 22-011	T11.3 chair to forward FC-SP-2/AM2 draft as documented in T11-2022-00020-v006 to T11 for initiation of a letter ballot.
ACTION 22-012	T11.3 chair to forward the FC-SP-3 project proposal as documented in T11-2022-00227-v000 to T11 for further processing.

All of the above action items were completed.

10 Liaison Reports

10.1 TC T11 and INCITS

T11 chair Steve Wilson (Brocade) has posted the T11 TC report to other committees (posted as [T11-2022-00283-v000](#) along with the INCITS Report to T11 posted as [T11-2022-00305-v000](#). Since these will be reviewed in the T11 plenary we did not review them during this meeting but they are available online for review.

10.2 Other liaison reports

No other liaison reports were presented.

11 Project Status

11.1 FC-FS-6

[Dave Peterson \(Broadcom\)](#) presented the information posted as [T11-2022-00300-v000](#) about FC-FS-6 ad hoc activity since the last plenary meeting of this Task Group.

[Dave Peterson \(Broadcom\)](#) requested the Chair accept T11-2022-00089-v001 as modified during this meeting cycle as the draft FC-FS-6 standard and request INCITS initiate an RFC ballot when T11-2022-00089-v002 of the draft (Rev. 1.0) is posted. Chair accepted the request.

See Action Item [22-015](#).

11.2 FC-GS-9

Dave Peterson (Broadcom) presented the information posted as [T11-2022-00296-v000](#) about FC-GS-9 ad hoc activity since the last plenary meeting of this Task Group.

11.3 FC-LS-5

Patty Driever (IBM) presented the information posted as [T11-2022-00310-v000](#) about FC-LS-5 ad hoc activity since the last plenary meeting of this Task Group.

11.4 FC-NVMe-3

Craig Carlson (Marvell) presented the information posted as [T11-2022-00333-v000](#) about FC-NVMe-3 ad hoc activity since the last plenary meeting of this Task Group.

11.5 FC-RDMA

Craig Carlson (Marvell) presented the information posted as [T11-2022-00334-v000](#) about FC-RDMA ad hoc activity since the last plenary meeting of this Task Group.

11.6 FC-SP-2/AM2

Roger Hathorn (IBM) presented the information posted as [T11-2022-00324-v000](#) about FC-SP-2/AM2 ad hoc activity since the last plenary meeting of this Task Group.

Roger Hathorn (IBM) made a motion, seconded by Dave Peterson (Broadcom) to accept [T11-2022-00288-v001](#) as the resolution to letter ballot comments received on FC-SP-2/AM2 and forward FC-SP-2/AM2 Rev1.01 as documented in [T11-2022-00020-v007](#) to T11 for further processing. Motion carried: In Favor – 11, Opposed – 0, Abstain – 0.

See Action Item [22-016](#).

11.7 FC-SW-8

Craig Carlson (Marvell) presented the information posted as [T11-2022-00335-v000](#) about FC-SW-8 ad hoc activity since the last plenary meeting of this Task Group.

11.8 Joint T11.2/T11.3

There was no meeting of the Joint T11.2/T11.3 working group during this meeting cycle.

11.9 Profile Review Expert Group Status

There was no meeting of the Profile Review Expert Group during this meeting cycle.

12 Other Business and Technical Items.

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13 Review T11.3 Project Status

The current project status is available among the electronically distributed meeting documents as well as on the INCITS web site

([https://standards.incits.org/apps/org/workgroup/portal/projects.php?end_in_year= never &page=1](https://standards.incits.org/apps/org/workgroup/portal/projects.php?end_in_year=never&page=1)).

The chair asked that if the facilitators or anyone else finds errors that they inform him.

14 Future Meeting Schedule

14.1 Plan for the next meeting week

The next meeting cycle will be a hybrid of both face-to-face in Deerfield Beach, TX and virtual via Zoom the week of **December 05-09**. More discussion on this will occur at the T11 plenary meeting. **Amphenol** will host the face-to-face portion and **Marvell** will continue to provide the Zoom virtual meeting capability.

Refer to the INCITS T11 meeting web site page

(https://standards.incits.org/apps/org/workgroup/t11/documents.php?folder_id=2213) for the meeting announcement, which will always contain the latest information on future T11.3 plenary meetings.

PLEASE NOTE: If there is any conflict between the website schedule database, and the single ASCII sheet, the database is to be considered correct.

14.2 Ad-hoc meetings

Refer to the INCITS T11 meeting web site page for further details.

(https://standards.incits.org/apps/org/workgroup/t11/documents.php?folder_id=2202). This URL will always contain the latest announcements of pending work group interim meetings and teleconferences.

15 Action Items

ACTION 22-013	T11.3 secretary to post <u>T11-2021-00243-v001</u> as the approved minutes of T11.3 meeting #147. See Clause 8 .
ACTION 22-014	T11.3 secretary to post <u>T11-2022-00311-v000</u> as the draft minutes of T11.3 meeting #148.
ACTION 22-015	Chair to contact INCITS to initiate an RFC ballot on the draft FC-FS-6 standard (Rev. 1.0) documented in T11-2022-00089-v002 once it is posted.

	Yi Tang Xiaohong Wu Xiaokang Zhu	Alternate Alternate Alternate
Dell	Erik Smith Jai Bansai David Black David Brown Vinay Sawal Joseph White	Principal Alternate Alternate Alternate Alternate Alternate
Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Barry Maskas Rupin Mohan Krishna Babu Puttagunta	Principal Alternate Alternate
IBM Corporation	Roger Hathorn Patty Driever Stephen Guendert	Principal Alternate Alternate
Marvell Semiconductor Inc	Craig W. Carlson Andrew Joy Raul Oteyza Alan Spalding Dean Wallace	Principal Alternate Alternate Alternate Alternate
MediaTek USA Inc	Tamer Ali Henry Park Mau-Lin Wu	Principal Alternate Alternate
NetApp Inc	Frederick Knight	Principal
Teledyne LeCroy Corporation	Henry Poelstra Amit Bakshi Craig Foster Rakesh Kathiresan Natarajan Nick Kriczky Douglas Lee Srikant Tadigadapa Jim Yasueda	Principal Alternate Alternate Alternate Alternate Alternate Alternate Alternate Alternate
Viavi Solutions Inc.	Jason Rusch Scott Baxter George Bullis Paul Gentieu	Principal Alternate Alternate Alternate

Reflecting the changes at this meeting, the advisory (i.e., nonvoting) membership of T11.3 for this

meeting is:

Organization	Name	Principal/ Alternate
Credo Semiconductor	Phil Sun Dr. Fang Cai Yasuo Hidaka	Principal Alternate Alternate
Futurewei Technologies Inc	Victor Cao Timothy Jeffries	Principal Alternate
TE Connectivity	Daniel Gorenc Dwayne Crawford Matt Schumacher	Principal Alternate Alternate
Unisys Corporation	Jeffrey Dremann Phil Shelton	Principal Alternate
VMware Inc	Neil MacLean Wenchao Cui Wenhua Liu Murali Rajagopal Ahmad Tawil	Principal Alternate Alternate Alternate Alternate

Reflecting the changes at this meeting, these people have been granted Emeritus membership in INCITS Fibre Channel (T11) Technical Committee, recognizing their many years of skilled leadership and high quality technical contribution:

Dr. William Ham
Mr. Gary Stephens
Mr. Robert Kembel
Mr. Joseph Mathis
Mr. Horst Truestedt

B Attendance

The following table lists those persons who electronically recorded their attendance at this plenary meeting. This includes representatives from voting member companies and may include representatives from non-voting advisory companies, as well as non-voting emeritus members and visitors.

Sequence	Affiliation	Name	In Person

1	AMPHENOL CORP	Paul Coddington	Y
2	BROADCOM INC	Howard Johnson	Y
3	BROADCOM INC	David Peterson	Y
4	BROADCOM INC	Steven L. Wilson	Y
5	CISCO SYSTEMS INC	Mike Blair	Y
6	CISCO SYSTEMS INC	Kiran Rabanhor	Y
7	CISCO SYSTEMS INC	Ramesh Sivakolundu	Y
8	DELL INC	David Brown	N
9	HEWLETT PACKARD ENTERPRISE	Barry Maskas	N
10	IBM CORPORATION	Patty Driever	Y
11	IBM CORPORATION	Roger Hathorn	N
12	MARVELL SEMICONDUCTOR INC	Craig Carlson	Y
13	MEDIATEK USA INC	Henry Park	N
14	NETAPP INC	Frederick Knight	Y
15	TELEDYNE LECROY CORPORATION	Henry Poelstra	N
16	VIAVI SOLUTIONS INC	Jason Rusch	Y

This table also records the affiliations claimed by those who registered their attendance. The presence of a company or organization in the affiliation column does not imply that it is a member of T11.3, nor does it imply that the person in attendance is a representative of that company or organization.

See “Section A: Membership” above for a complete list of voting members of T11.3 as well as a list of non-voting advisory companies and emeritus members.

C Attendance at Ad Hoc Meetings

C.1 FC-NVMe-3

Organization	Representative	Member Company
Broadcom Inc	Howard Johnson	Y
Broadcom Inc	David Peterson	Y
Broadcom Inc	James Smart	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Harsha Bharadwaj	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Mike Blair	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Edward Mazurek	Y
Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Barry Maskas	Y
IBM Corporation	Patty Driever	Y
IBM Corporation	Roger Hathorn	Y
Marvell Semiconductor Inc	Craig Carlson	Y
NetApp Inc	Frederick Knight	Y

C.2 FC-LS-5

Organization	Representative	Member Company
Broadcom Inc	Howard Johnson	Y
Broadcom Inc	David Peterson	Y
Broadcom Inc	James Smart	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Harsha Bharadwaj	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Mike Blair	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Edward Mazurek	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Ramesh Sivakolundu	Y
Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Barry Maskas	Y

Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Krishna Babu Puttagunta	Y
IBM Corporation	Patty Driever	Y
IBM Corporation	Roger Hathorn	Y
Marvell Semiconductor Inc	Craig Carlson	Y
NetApp Inc	Frederick Knight	Y
Viavi Solutions Inc	Jason Rusch	Y

C.3 FC-FS-6

Organization	Representative	Member Company
Broadcom Inc	Howard Johnson	Y
Broadcom Inc	Anil Mehta	Y
Broadcom Inc	David Peterson	Y
Broadcom Inc	James Smart	Y
Broadcom Inc	Steven Wilson	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Mike Blair	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Ed Mazurek	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Xiaohong Wu	Y
Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Barry Maskas	Y
IBM Corporation	Patty Driever	Y
IBM Corporation	Roger Hathorn	Y
Marvell Semiconductor Inc	Craig W. Carlson	Y
Marvell Semiconductor Inc	Raul Oteyza	Y
Marvell Semiconductor Inc	Dean Wallace	Y
NetApp Inc	Frederick Knight	Y
Teledyne LeCroy Corp	Henry Poelstra	Y
Viavi Solutions Inc	Jason Rusch	Y

C.4 FC-SW-8

Organization	Representative	Member Company
Broadcom Inc	Howard Johnson	Y
Broadcom Inc	David Peterson	Y
Broadcom Inc	James Smart	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Mike Blair	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Edward Mazurek	Y
Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Barry Maskas	Y
IBM Corporation	Patty Driever	Y
IBM Corporation	Roger Hathorn	Y
Marvell Semiconductor	Craig Carlson	Y
NetApp Inc	Frederick Knight	Y
Viavi Solutions Inc	Jason Rusch	Y

C.5 FC-RDMA

Organization	Representative	Member Company
Broadcom Inc	Howard Johnson	Y
Broadcom Inc	David Peterson	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Harsha Bharadwaj	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Mike Blair	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Edward Mazurek	Y
Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Barry Maskas	Y
IBM Corporation	Patty Driever	Y
IBM Corporation	Roger Hathorn	Y
Marvell Semiconductor Inc	Craig Carlson	Y
NetApp Inc	Frederick Knight	Y

C.6 FC-GS-9

Organization	Representative	Member Company
Broadcom Inc	Howard Johnson	Y
Broadcom Inc	David Peterson	Y
Broadcom Inc	James Smart	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Mike Blair	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Edward Mazurek	Y
Dell Inc	David Brown	Y
Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Barry Maskas	Y
Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Krishna Babu Puttagunta	Y
IBM Corporation	Patty Driever	Y
IBM Corporation	Roger Hathorn	Y
NetApp Inc	Frederick Knight	Y

C.7 FC-SP-2/AM2

Organization	Representative	Member Company
Broadcom Inc	David Peterson	Y
Broadcom Inc	James Smart	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Mike Blair	Y
Cisco Systems Inc	Edward Mazurek	Y
Dell Inc	David Brown	Y
Hewlett Packard Enterprise	Barry Maskas	Y

IBM Corporation	Patty Driever	Y
IBM Corporation	Roger Hathorn	Y
Marvell Semiconductor Inc	Craig Carlson	Y
NetApp Inc	Frederick Knight	Y

C.8 Joint T11.2/T11.3

Organization	Representative	Member Company
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