The transceiver companies are enthusiastic about a 4-lane 128GFC link option.
However...

- A QSFP+ 4-lane solution will not share the same optimum parameter space as an SFP+ single lane solution.

- In particular, link reach will be less that available with an SFP+ single lane solution.

- Interoperation of an SFP+ single lane solution with a QSFP+ 4-lane solution will need further study.

- This study would delay publication of 32GFC.
Therefore…

• We recommend that 128GFC physical layer efforts should go into a later FC-PI-x document.

• At the same time, we also recommend that T11.3 continue efforts to incorporate multi-lane protocols into FC-FS-4.