

FCIA-T11 LIAISON Report

February 7, 2018

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Board Actions Feb 18

- Approved FC-PI-8 MRD draft
- Approved use of term “Gen 7” to describe group of technologies within FC-PI-7 and FC-PI-7p (64GFC and 256 GFC)
- Approved standardizing on terms:
 - FC-NVMe to describe T11 standard
 - NVMe over Fibre Channel to describe the FC-NVMe solution

FCIA Education Committee Update

Fibre Channel Performance Webcast

- Pre-registrants: 411 (2nd most for FCIA to date!)
- Live attendees: 125 (also 2nd most for FCIA to date)
- Rating: 4.7 on (1-5 scale)
- Questions ~9
- Feedback an overwhelming positive. A few highlights:

“I spent good time to join discussion. It was very interesting about slow drain and over subscription. Looking forward seeing you next time.”

“Ed, Earl - Hands down the best presentation I've seen on this topic”

“Your slow drain vs over subscription clarifications was great. Thank you.”

Next Webcast – April 19th

- Fibre Channel Cabling
- April 19th
- Speakers –
 - Zack Nason DCS,
 - Greg McSorely Amphenol,
 - Mark Jones Broadcom ECD

Public Relations

Press Release Schedule

- ✓ Dec. 13 – Plugfest release in conjunction with UNH-IOL virtual press conference (details next slide)
- ✓ January 2018 – FCIA board of directors
 - Q2 2018 - FC NVMe specification published
 - Late July 2018 – FMS activities
 - Q3/Q4 (or Q2?) 2018 - Plugfest
 - MRDs?

Fibre Channel Solutions Guide: Article Placement

| Paper Topic | Author | Target Publication |
|--|--------------------------|---|
| Solutions Guide Introduction (turn it into a 2017 recap story) | Mark Jones | DCS Europe |
| The Fibre Channel Roadmap | Scott Kipp | The Data Center Journal |
| Storage Fabric Options with NVMe | Rupin Mohan | Enterprise Storage Forum (part of the eWeek network) |
| All-Flash Arrays Generate New Interest in NVMe-Ready Fibre Channel | Celeste Crystal, Brocade | Datamation |
| A look at Fibre Channel's Legacy – And Future | J Metz | Computer Technology Review |

Fibre Channel Solutions Guide: 2018 Call for Papers

| Paper Topic | Author | Final Due Date |
|--|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Solutions Guide Introduction | Mark Jones | June 4 |
| The Fibre Channel Roadmap | Scott Kipp | June 4 |
| NVMe | Curt/AJ – Brocade/Broadcom | June 4 |
| TBD - 128 GB Design Considerations? | Rupin Mohan | June 4 |
| Test and Measurement – Why Line Rate Analysis is Important | Nick Kriczky / David Rodgers | June 4 |
| TBD | J Metz | June 4 |
| FICON (dove tail off webcast) | Patty? Mike Blair? Howard Johnson? | June 4 |

First Drafts Due: April 6

Second Drafts Due: May 4

Final: June 4

Editing Complete: July 6

Send to Print: July 7

Link to in FCIA FMS PR: End of July

Available at FMS 2018: August

Solutions Guide Edited by: Rupin Mohan

FCIA Target Industry Conferences 2018

- [NVM Express Member Meeting](#) April 30 – May 1, 2018, San Jose, CA
 - Purchase of booth approved by Board
 - Email blast to announce participation
- [Creative Storage Conference](#), June 7, Culver City, Calif.
 - Call for speakers now open, deadline is April 20. Linda to work on first draft submission with Rupin
- [Flash Memory Summit](#), August 6-9, Santa Clara
 - Call for speakers now open, deadline for proposals is February 23, 2018 -
 - Shelby to move forward with purchasing booth
- [SDC](#), September 24-27, Santa Clara
 - Call for speakers open second week of February
- [Storage Visions](#), October 22-23, 2018, Hyatt, Santa Clara
- [SC'18](#), November 13-16, Dallas
 - Panel submissions open February 15, 2018, Submission close April 16, 2018, Notifications sent June 15, 2018
 - Call for panelists – email blast to membership
 - Tutorial submissions open February 15, 2018, Submission close April 16, 2018, Notifications sent June 15, 2018

FCIA Meeting Schedule

- April 4, Deerfield Beach, FL, Host Molex
- June 6, Santa Fe, NM, Host Cavium/Qlogic
- August 8, Louisville, KY, Host Amphenol
- October 3, New Orleans, LA, Host FCIA
- December 5, TBD, Host SFF Committee