

IEEE DASC Steering Committee
Approved Minutes

Date: Thursday, 27 July, 2006

Time: 4:00pm to 7:00pm, US Pacific Daylight-Saving Time

Venue: San Francisco Moscone Convention Center Room #218

Dial In Number: 408-894-3000 #ID 1076

Name	Position	Voting member	
Victor Berman	Chair	X	
Alex Zamfirescu	Vice-Chair	X	
Gary Delp	Secretary	X	
Kathy Werner	Treasurer	X	
Chuck Swart	ISAC	X	Proxy for Jim Lewis
Steve Bailey	Ex-Secry.		
Dennis Brophy	DASC Mmbr		
Gerrard Berry	Esterel SG		
Al Dunlop	CEDA		
Ernst Christen	1076.1 AMS	X	Proxy for Alain Vachoux
Lance Thompson	Accellera TC		
Wolfgang Roethig	1603 ALF	X	
Peter Ashenden	Ex-Chair		
Ajay Varikat	1076.4 Vital	X	
Perry Alexander	Rosetta SG		
Yaron Kahai	1647 'e'	X	

1. Call to order – 27 July 2006 4:10 pm.
2. Quorum determined present.
3. Minutes of previous meeting
 - a. Chuck Swart moved to approve the agenda seconded by Kathy no objections
 - b. Minutes approved with no objections
4. Report of business conducted by email
 - a. Introduction of New Officers
 - i. Alex Zamfirescu, VP
 - ii. Gary Delp Secretary
 - iii. Kathy Werner - Treasurer
5. Financial Report
 - a. No expenses since last meeting \$2800 accrued since last meeting.
6. Al Dunlop – Council on Electronic Design Automation (CEDA) gave a report on recent activities – see presentation attached
7. Study Groups
 - a. ESTEREL – see the presentation attached.
 - i. Study Group -> to be approved.
 - ii. Discussion included:
 1. This has been 22 years since inception and has 2 commercial implementations

- 2. This is not true; it was a research project until 2000.
 - 3. IEEE would provide a forum for improvement, the potential members span many companies
 - 4. Individual rather than entity
 - iii. Motion to approve the study group and to move forward to Draft PAR – Alex Zamfirescu with, Seconded by Chuck Swart, passed with no objections.
 - b. Rosetta – study group proposal
 - i. Presentation from Perry Alexander
 - ii. Dave Barton is working on draft PAR but could not attend.
 - iii. SystemC is in the ESL space, this is in the Design Automation space. (new
 - iv. Move to approve [the study group], by Gary Delp, seconded by Alex Zamfirescu, passed with no objections.
8. Project reports
- a. 1076.1 (VHDL-AMS) Alain Vachoux / Ernst Christen
 - i. see presentation. Gary to import text
 - ii. AI: Victor to connect the verilog-AMS work in Accellera with VHDL-AMS
 - b. 1647 (e) Yaron
 - i. Add presentation data
 - c. 1603 (ALF)

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- Whitepaper by Alex Zamfirescu (Alex plans to attend the meeting, he can provide more info if needed)

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- d. 1076.4 (VITAL) Ajay
 - i. Have a PAR for correcting small errors WG active on this.
 - ii. Limitations of generics has been resolved in Accellera standard
 - iii. Something to be done in the next month or so.
 - iv. Memory feature will be addressed over the next 2 meetings
 - e. 1076 (VHDL) Jim Lewis / Chuck Swart / Lance Thompson
 - i. VHDL presentation in the Accellera presentation
 - ii. 3.0 approved: will keep in Accellera for trial implementations
 - iii. PSL & Encryption,
 - f. 1076.1.1 (VHDL-AMS packages)
 - g. 1481 (OLA)
 - h. 1499 (OMI)
 - i. 1666 (SystemC)
 - i. Standard Approved, LRM is out, Openly available for download
 - ii. Waiting for TLM 2.0 from OSCI
 - j. 1685 SPIRIT
 - k. 1800/1364 (SystemVerilog/Verilog)
 - l. 1850 (PSL)
9. Any Other business
10. DATC Report
- a. Juan-antonio Carballo named new DATC Chair – see enclosed report
11. Encryption
- a. 1076.1 VHDL-AMS
 - b. IBIS
 - c. Coordination with Andrew Dahlman
12. Activities and meeting schedule
13. Adjourn