

**IEEE COM-SDB**  
**Meeting Minutes**  
**March 8, 2024 – 10:00am – 12:00pm EST**  
**Meeting Minutes Recorded by: Cyn Sikora**

**1. Call to Order**

- The meeting was called to order at 9:04 am EST by the ComSoc Standards Development Board Chair, Mehmet Ulema.

**2. Roll Call, Voting Status, Member Affiliations and Establish Quorum**

- Attendees present stated their names and updated their affiliations. (See *the list of the attendees and their voting status in Attachment II at the end of the meeting minutes.*)
- **Quorum was established** - 5/7 voting members were present.

**3. Approval of the Consent Agenda** - The agenda is online at: <https://ieeesa.imeetcentral.com/comsdb/folder/WzlwLDE3OTUwODUyXQ>. The agenda and the minutes from the last meeting were approved as presented.

**3.1. Approval of February revised meeting minutes** (online at <https://ieeesa.imeetcentral.com/comsdb/folder/WzlwLDE3ODczOTM3XQ/>).

**4. Chair Report** (Mehmet Ulema)

- Mehmet reviewed the attached report presented at the TEA Council meeting and discussed the request from the ComSoc president to draft an article.



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**5. IEEE SA Updates**

**5.1. SA Governance Update** (Jennifer Santulli).

- Jennifer joined the meeting late, so Mehmet provided an update from the report, COM-SDB 20240308-014, which is posted on iMeet at: <https://ieeesa.imeetcentral.com/comsdb/folder/WzlwLDE3ODczOTM3XQ>.

**6. Follow up on Action Items**

(See the list of the Action Items and their status in Attachment I at the end of the meeting minutes.)

**7. Committee Reports.**

**7.1. Designated Standard Committee Report**

COM-AerCom SC (Haiying (John) Lu - John presented the report COM-SDB-20240311-007 – AerCom, which is posted on iMeet at: <https://ieeesa.imeetcentral.com/comsdb/folder/WzlwLDE3ODczOTM3XQ>.

**7.2. Treasurer Report**

- SA Financial Reporting (Alex Gelman) – No report available as the COM-SDB treasurer’s account was not on the SA list in NextGen. Working with Jen from SA to correct it.

**8. Old and Unfinished Business**

**8.1. Idea for a PAR – Submitted by Xiamo**

- “IEEE Standard for Architectural Framework and Technical Requirement for Edge Interconnectivity of Intelligent Hub Devices”
- The presentation that was submitted by is posted on iMeet, document titled 20231222-015 - COM-SDB 20231222-015 - PAR for IEEE ComSoc - Edge Interconnectivity of Intelligent Hub Devices
- This project is being referred to the Edge Cloud Standards Committee. Jen will share the email address and pdf file with Rob Fish.

**8.2. PAR 3459**

- “Internet Protocol World Country Code Segment Protocol” was submitted to NESCOM without COM-SDB approval, but it is listed under COM-SDB.
- The PAR is posted on iMeet; document titled COM-SDB 20240209-016 – PAR3459.
- **MOTION:** Move to reject the PAR as it is out of scope for COM/SDB and its committees, and it should be suggested that it go to IETF. (Moved: Alex Gelman; Seconded: John Lu)

**9. New Business**

- 9.1. Discussed the development of strategy and reviewed the criteria for how many MALs to appoint
- 9.2. Rob Fish discussed a request for a contribution to a Standards Committee in IEEE that would go into 3GPP, but IEEE would have to become a member of 3GPP. If IEEE SA would like to do this, the standards activity would fall under COM/SDB. More information should be provided to the board members for review. Rob will invite the requestor to present at the next COM-SDB meeting. The document is posted on iMeet, titled COM-SDB 20240308 - 014 - Proposal for a Delegate Position to 3GPP.pdf “<https://ieeesa.imeetcentral.com/comsdb/folder/WzlwLDE3OTUwODUyXQ/WzIsODU00TY5NjBd/>”

**10. Next Meeting: April 12, 2024, 9:00am-11:00am EST**

**11. Adjournment – The meeting adjourned at 10:55 EST.**

**Attachment I: Action Items**

| <b>ACTION</b>   | <b>OWNER</b>      | <b>STATUS</b> | <b>COMMENTS</b>   |
|---|-------------------|---------------|---|
| P2413.1<br>JP to give an update on the P2413 efforts going on in the CAG  | JP Faure          | Open          | 02/09/24 –JP will provide an update at the 3/8 COM-SDB meeting.<br>12/22/23 – JP will continue to monitor this.<br>8/25/23 – Meeting is scheduled September 7 <sup>th</sup> (5:00am EDT). JP will attend. Jennifer/JP will provide a status after the meeting occurs.<br>6/6/23 – Nothing to report.<br>4/23/23 – Activity will resume soon. If no updates are available by the end of June, COM-SDB will decide next steps.<br>1/27/23 – CAG extended the PAR. PLC is a co-sponsor.<br>11/18/22 – No update provided<br>9/23/22 - No Update Provided |
| Provide COM-SDB MAL suggestions to Ed Mehmet for industry candidates who are involved in ComSoc Standards activities – potentially leaders of the WGs | All Board Members | CLOSED        | 2/9/24 – New action item created.<br>12/22/23 - Jim Lansford, VP Prasad, Richie Liu have expressed interest. Ed will speak with Mehmet about this offline.  |
| Develop strategy and review criteria for how many MALs to appoint   | Mehmet Ulema      | In Progress   | 2/9/24 – This will be reviewed at the 3/8 COM-SDB meeting.  |

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| Update the COM-SDB Operations Manual  | Mehmet Ulema/ Alex Gelman                                | In Progress | 3/8/24 – In Progress   |
| Submit COM-SDB Financial reports as soon as the program is corrected, so that COM-SDB shows up on the list  | Mehmet Ulema/ Alex Gelman                                | Open        | 3/8/24 – COM/SDB treasurer’s account was not on the SA list.         |
| Send Mehmet any new ideas for what COM-SDB can accomplish in 2024   | All Board Members  | Open        | 3/8/24 – Some feedback has been received. Awaiting additional input. |
| Determine how best to proceed to address that 23 PARs are expiring at the end of the year as reported by SA   | All SC Chairs  | NEW         |  |
| Initiate discussion and decide if 1920.1 and 1920.2 should be moved to AerCom, and whether any AerCom standards should be placed under other Standards committees or co-sponsored by two committees | John Lu / Oliver Holland / Alex Gelman / Kamesh Namuduri | NEW         |  |
| Mehmet will communicate decision that the board rejects PAR 3459 as it is out of scope for COM/SDB and its committees, and it should be suggested that it go to IETF                                | Mehmet Ulema   | NEW         |  |

## Attachment II: Attendees

| Voting Members (Ex Officio) | Attendance | Voting Status | Employer/ Affiliations                  | Standards Participation (both IEEE and non-IEEE)   |
|-----------------------------|------------|---------------|---|--|
| Mehmet Ulema                | X          | Voting        | Professor, Manhattan College, New York  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chair, IEEE COM-SDB</li> <li>● Chair, COM/NetSoft SC</li> <li>● Member, ICom</li> <li>● Co-chair of Standards Working Group of Future Networks Technical Community</li> </ul>   |
| John Bareham                |            | Non-Voting    | Consultant                              | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chair, IEEE CEA Working Group on Communication Electroacoustics</li> </ul>  |
| Jaafar Elmirghani           |            | Voting        | Kings College London Ultracell Networks | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chair, IEEE EEICT</li> <li>● Chair, IEEE P1925.1, P1926.1, P1927.1, P1928.1, P1929.1</li> <li>● Member, IEEE 1922.1, 1922.2, 1923.1, 1924.1</li> <li>● Chair, COM/GreenICT SC</li> <li>● PI EPSRC Terabit Optical</li> <li>● Wireless (TOWS) project</li> </ul> |

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|                             |   |        |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Standards Liaison for ComSoc Transmission, Access, and Optical Systems (TAOS) TC</li> </ul>   |
| Jean-Philippe Faure<br>"JP" |   | Voting | Progilon CEO /<br>Panasonic  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chair, IEEE P1901</li> <li>Chair, IEEE P1901c</li> <li>Past Chair, IEEE-SA SASB</li> <li>Chair, IEEE COM/PLC SC</li> <li>Secretary of COM-SDB</li> </ul>  |
| Rob Fish                    | X | Voting | Princeton University<br>/ Self   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chair, IEEE ComSoc/Edge, Fog, Cloud Communications w/IOT and Big Data Standards Committee (COM/EdgeCloud-SC)</li> <li>Past President, IEEE Standards Association (SA)</li> </ul>  |
| Alex Gelman                 | X | Voting | NETovations, LLC   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chair, IEEE AccessCore-SC</li> <li>Treasurer, IEEE COM/SDB</li> <li>Co-Chair of Standards Working Group of Future Networks Technical Community</li> <li>Member of IEEE SA SESCom</li> <li>Co-Chair, FDC Public Safety Technologies Standards Operations Committee</li> <li>FDC Rep to TAB COS</li> <li>Member, IEEE AerCom Committee</li> <li>Vice Chair of COM-SDB</li> </ul>                  |
| Oliver Holland              | X | Voting | Wipro Technologies   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chair, IEEE 1918.1</li> <li>Chair, IEEE 1900.6</li> <li>Vice-Chair, IEEE 1900.7</li> <li>Chair, IEEE MobiNet Standards Committee</li> <li>Chair, IEEE DYSpan Standards Committee</li> <li>Vice President, Standards VTS</li> <li>Chair, IEEE VTS Standards Activities Committee</li> <li>Board Member, Whitespace alliance</li> <li>Standards Liaison for ComSoc Tactile Internet TC</li> </ul> |
| Haiying Lu (John)           | X | Voting | Senior Engineer,<br>China Electronics<br>Standardization<br>Institute (CESI) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chair, IEEE 1937.1</li> <li>Chair, IEEE COM/AerCom Standards Committee</li> <li>Member, IEEE AudCom (2024)</li> <li>Member, IEEE RevCom (2024)</li> <li>Convenor, ISO/IEC JTC1/AG19</li> <li>Member, ISO/IEC JTC 1/AG 2</li> <li>Member, ISO/IEC JTC1/SC1 WG12</li> <li>Co-editor, ISO 22460-2</li> <li>Vice Chair, SAC/TC28/SC17 WG12</li> <li>Member, IEEE SASB</li> </ul>                    |

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|                                       |   |      |  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair, IEEE 1945</li> </ul>   |
| <b>Non-Voting Member (Ex Officio)</b> |   |      |  |  |
| Ed Tiedemann                          |   | N.A. | Qualcomm, Senior Vice-President, Engineering / Qualcomm  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Past-Chair and Advisor to IEEE COM/SDB</li> <li>• Member of ComSoc Standardization Programs Development Board</li> <li>• Head of Qualcomm's standards and industry organization activities</li> <li>• Member of Board, MFA (MulteFire Alliance)</li> <li>• TIA lead representative, oneM2M Steering Committee</li> <li>• Participant in ATIS Next G Alliance</li> </ul> |
| Wei Zhang                             |   | N.A. | Professor, School of Electrical Engineering and Telecommunications, the University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ComSoc Vice President, Technical and Educational Activities</li> </ul>  |
| Jennifer Santulli                     | X | N.A. | IEEE-SA Staff  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project Manager, IEEE SA</li> </ul>   |
| Karen Pannullo                        |   | N.A. | IEEE ComSoc Sr. Program Manager  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ComSoc Staff supporting COM/SDB</li> <li>• ComSoc Staff supporting Standardization Programs Development Board</li> </ul>  |
| Cyn Sikora                            | X | N.A. | IEEE ComSoc Director   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ComSoc Staff supporting COM/SDB</li> <li>• ComSoc Staff supporting Standardization Programs Development Board</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Other Visitors:</b>                |   |      |  |  |

### ComSoc Technical Committee (TC) Standards Liaisons:

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|                       |   |                                    |   |   | Communications TC  |
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| No Rep Reported       |   |                                    |   | eHealth                                       |  |
| No Rep Reported       |   |                                    |   | Multimedia Communications                     |  |
| No Rep Reported       |   |                                    |   | Communications Switching and Routing          |  |

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| No Rep<br>Reported |  |  |  | Internet of Things, Ad<br>Hoc and Sensor<br>Networks |  |
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