
Minutes of the first working meeting of the
Optical Networking Technical Committee (ONTC)
taken by Guoliang (Larry) Xue

TIME: 26 NOV 2001 5:00pm--7:00pm, during Globecom2001.

LOCATION: Salon B in the Marriott Riverwalk, San Antonio

PEOPLE PRESENT: Richard Thompson, Victor O.K. Li, Guoliang (Larry) Xue,
Doug Zuckerman, Mohammed Atiquzzaman, Byrav Ramamurthy, Mike Devetsikiotis,
Ibrahim Habib, Oliver Yang, Mounir Hamdi, Miguel A. Labrador, Jason Jue and
Hussein Mouftah

[01] The meeting was called on by Hussein Mouftah who informed everyone that ONTC was to be finally approved by ComSoc at 27 NOV 2001 BoG meeting.

[02] The constitution of ONTC:

To promote research activities in optical networking.

To sponsor symposiums/workshops/short courses in ICC, Globecom, and OFC.

To establish close relationships with OIF, IETF, ITU/T1.

To sponsor publications in optical networking,
through JSAC, CommMag, etc...

Doug Zuckerman to be the liaison to OIF

[**] Zuckerman talked about OIF, its four meetings, etc.

[03] Globecom2001 (in progress). We have a symposium on optical networking.

[04] OFC2002 (submission deadline passed).

Mouftah talked about OFC2001. About 34K people at the conference.

We need to select one or two representative(s) from ONTC to OFC.

Mouftah mentioned four names (who wished to attend this meeting).

We would like to have short courses/tutorials at OFC.

[05] ICC2002. We have about 13 sessions for our symposium, with 4-5 papers in each session.

28Apr2002--02May2002 in NYC.

We are sponsoring a workshop on Optical Networking in the Metro Area, organized by Tarek El-Bawab.

We also have a business panel session on Metropolitan Networks: Trends, Technologies, and Evolutions, organized by Naser Ghani.

[06] Globecom2002.

Hamdi is organizing a symposium on optical networking.

Within a month, he will form the TPC. ONTC will be a new sponsor for this symposium.

[07] OFC2003.

We should prepare for this one. In addition to submitting papers, we should be involved with reviewing papers, workshops and tutorials.

If one representative is not enough, we may have two.

We should bring our presence to OFC2003.

[08] ICC2003.

Hamdi is proposing a symposium on optical networking.

We should also work on tutorials/workshops/business meetings.

[09] Globecom2003, San Francisco.

Mouftah will attach more info about this (who is the chair) in the minutes.

[10] We should always organize meetings within major conferences such as ICC, Globecom and OFC.

It is also possible to organize 1-day or 2-day workshops, whether associated with these conferences or to be held independently anywhere else.

[11] We need to be involved with IETF, OIF, ITU/T1.

We will find representatives.

[12] Publications:

Special issues of JSAC, CommMag, NetMag.

A series of JSAC.

Create our own Optical Networking Magazine.

[**] Business: meetings within Globecom, ICC. Would like to have meetings within OFC and INFOCOM.

Byrav Ramamurthy to be our representative to INFOCOM.

[**] Officers:

Chair is Hussein Mouftah.

Hussein mentioned names for other positions.

All appointed terms will be for two years.

Elections will be held for new officers (to two-year terms).

[**] We need to create a mailing list for ONTC.

We need to have a representative to CommMag.