

Printer Working Group Plenary

December 9, 2009

Attendees

Lee Farrell	Canon
Rick Landau	Dell
Jody Steele	Dell
Jacob Brown	Dell
Joe Murdock	Sharp
Jerry Thrasher	Lexmark
Nancy Chen	Oki Data
Bill Wagner	TIC
Ira McDonald*	High North – Samsung
Glen Petrie*	Epson
Pete Zehler*	Xerox
Paul Tykodi*	Tykodi Consulting
Tom Hastings*	<independent>
Brian Smithson*	Ricoh

* via telephone

Administrivia

Wednesday afternoon, Lee Farrell provided the planned Plenary meeting topics:

- Administrivia
 - * Introductions, Assign Scribe, Approve/Modify Agenda
 - * Approve Previous Plenary Minutes
 - * Review PWG Patent Policy
 - * Agenda for the Week
 - * PWG Meeting Schedule
 - * 2009 Membership (current status)
 - * 2010 Membership renewal
 - * PWG Financial Overview
- Energize Your Association -Webinar
- ISO JTC1 SC28 –PWG Liaison
- Google Chrome OS – Print Driver Overload?
- PWG Working Group Status [WG Chairs]
 - * IDS (Imaging Device Security)
 - * IPP (IPP v2)
 - * MFD (Semantic Model)
 - * WIMS (DMTF CIM, PMP, Power Management)
- Next Meeting Details

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Identify Minutes Taker

Paul Tykodi

Accept October Plenary Minutes

There was no objection to the previous Minutes.

Review PWG Patent Policy

Lee reminded everyone of the PWG Patent Policy, and provided the following information:

- PWG standards may include the known use of essential patents and patent applications provided the PWG Chair receives assurance from the patent holder or applicant with respect to patents whose infringement is, or in the case of patent applications, potential future infringement the applicant asserts will be, unavoidable in a compliant implementation of either mandatory or optional portions of the standard. This assurance shall be provided without coercion. This assurance shall be either:
 - a) A general disclaimer to the effect that the patentee will not enforce any of its present or future patent(s) whose use would be required to implement either mandatory or optional portions of the proposed PWG standard against any person or entity complying with the standard; or
 - b) A statement that a license for such implementation will be made available without compensation or under reasonable rates, with reasonable terms and conditions that are demonstrably free of any unfair discrimination.
- The PWG is not in a position to give authoritative or comprehensive information about evidence, validity or scope of patents or similar rights, but it is desirable that any available information should be disclosed. Therefore, all PWG members shall, from the outset, draw PWG's attention to any relevant patents either their own or of other organizations including their Affiliates that are known to the PWG members or any of their Affiliates, although PWG is unable to verify the validity of any such information.

He also listed several inappropriate topics for the PWG WG meetings:

- Don't discuss the validity/essentiality of patents/patent claims
 - Don't discuss the cost of specific patent use
 - Don't discuss licensing terms or conditions
 - Don't discuss product pricing, territorial restrictions, or market share
 - Don't discuss ongoing litigation or threatened litigation
- Don't be silent if inappropriate topics are discussed

... do formally object.

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2010 Meeting Schedule

The schedule for next year's meeting plan was presented:

During the discussion about the meeting schedule, Nancy Chen mentioned a current conflict regarding the proposed February 2010 meeting dates and asked whether the meeting could be changed to the following week. After discussion, the following action item was assigned to Lee Farrell the PWG Chair.

ACTION: Lee Farrell will investigate the possibility to move the February meeting to the following week at the same venue (new proposed dates would be Feb 9th to Feb 11th, 2010) and report back to the membership as to whether the meeting dates will be changed

→ **NEW**

- Feb 2-4 Scottsdale, AZ (MWAi)
→ **shift to Feb 9-11?**
- Apr 6-8 TBD
- Jun 8-10 Rochester, NY (Xerox)
- Aug 10-12 Bagsværd, Denmark* (MPI Tech)
→ **shift to Aug 3-5?**
- Oct 18 (week of) Lexington, KY [Lexmark]
- Dec 7-9 TBD

→ * Attendees for August? Please do survey:

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=q2v9XcXMx9dmJ0aRfwqljA_3d_3d

Results to date:

Definitely able to go	2
Likely able to go	4
Possible as of today	3
Not likely able to go	2
Definitely not able to go	1
Total	12

A new survey will be issued in early 2010

It was noted that Sharp has expressed interest in hosting a meeting in Camas, WA either in April or—if the Denmark meeting does not occur—in August.

Hosts for the April and December meetings are still needed.

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2009 Membership (current status)

PWG membership includes a total of 23 paid companies:

	Signed	Paid		Signed	Paid
366 Software	x	x	MPI Tech	x	x
Apple Inc.	x	x	MWA Intelligence	x	x
Canon, Inc.	x	x	NEC Display Solutions	x	x
Coretronic		x	Northlake Software, Inc	x	x
Dell	x	x	Oki Data	x	x
Epson			Samsung Electronics	x	x
Fuji Xerox	x	x	Sharp Labs of America	x	x
Hewlett-Packard	x	x	Technical Interface Consulting	x	x
InfoPrint Solutions	x	x	Toshiba	x	x
Konica Minolta			Tykodi Consulting Services	x	x
Kyocera Corporation	x	x	Xerox Corporation	x	x
Lexmark International	x	x	Zoran Imaging Division	x	x
Microsoft	x	x			

2010 Membership Status

PWG membership includes a total of 8 paid companies as of December 9, 2009

- 366 Software
- Canon Inc.
- Dell
- Konica Minolta
- MPI Tech
- OKI Data
- Sharp Labs of America
- Toshiba

Energize Your Association - Webinar

Lee Farrell described an upcoming Webinar being presented by IEEE-ISTO, which all PWG members are invited to attend schedule permitting.

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ISO JTC1 SC28 – PWG Liaison

Lee Farrell provided an overview of the information about the PWG he was planning to present to the ISO JTC1 SC28 during a 45 minute presentation he would be giving at the ISO JTC1 SC28 meeting occurring in San Jose, CA on Friday Jan 22, 2010.

ACTION: All PWG WG Chairs – verify that web pages and wikis are completely updated prior to the ISO SC28 meeting where Lee will be presenting information about the PWG in January 2010.

→ **NEW**

Google Chrome OS – Print Driver Overload?

Lee Farrell explained that the Printer Working Group had recently been made aware of an article titled “*One of Google Chrome OS's hardest tasks? Printing*”

Subsequently the PWG had taken action to try and contact Google via a letter drafted by the PWG Steering Committee, to the Google engineering manager mentioned in the article, and delivered via a fax from the PWG Secretary to Google. Also PWG member Bill Wagner had tried to make contact with Google on behalf of PWG by sending an e-mail response to the author of the article.

In both cases, the purpose was to reach out to Google, in order to let them know that a standards body focusing on printing issues in networked computing environments was available to help them develop a modern robust printing solution tailored to the specific requirements of cloud computing environments.

Lee promised to keep the membership updated as to whether the cloud computing environment might hold some new standards work for the PWG to consider undertaking in the coming months.

PWG Working Group Status

In the interests of time, the WG Status slides were only briefly reviewed, because the attendees were already aware of the information. Non-attendees can obtain the information at:

<ftp://ftp.pwg.org/pub/pwg/general/Plenary/PWG-Plenary-December-2009-v1.0.pdf>

Rick Landau – Dell Finishing His Current Work With PWG

Rick Landau mentioned that he would be working on new projects in the coming year and that he would not be representing Dell within the PWG in 2010. He then introduced two new colleagues from Dell, attending the PWG meeting with him, who would be taking over the PWG participation duties from him in 2010.

All of the members in attendance at the Plenary session thanked Rick for organizing the current PWG meeting at Dell and for his significant contribution to PWG standards creation during the years he had been the Dell representative to the PWG.

PWG Plenary adjourned.