Printer Working Group Plenary
May 17, 2000

1. Meeting Attendees

Name	Company	1394 PWG	Plenary	IPP	UPDF
Dale Hubbard	Agfa Monotype				x
Jack Murphy	Agfa Monotype			x	
Karen Dupré	Bitstream				x
Shawn Flynn	Bitstream				x
Shigeru Ueda	Canon	x	x	x	x
James DePoy	Canon Information Systems	x			
Lee Farrell	Canon Information Systems	x	x	x	x
Fumio Nagasaka	Epson	x			
Atsushi Uchino	Epson		x	x	
Shivaun Albright	Hewlett Packard		x		
Brian Batchelder	Hewlett Packard	x			
Dave Kuntz	Hewlett Packard	x	x	x	
Sandra Matts	Hewlett Packard		x		x
Karen Van der Veer	Hewlett Packard	x			
Trevor Wells	Hewlett Packard		x	x	
Ron Bergman[1]	Hitachi-Koki		x	x	x
Harry Lewis	IBM		x	x	x
Mark Vander Wiele	IBM			x	x
Henrik Holst	i-data		x	x	
Jerry Thrasher	Lexmark	x	x	x	x
Don Wright[2]	Lexmark	x	x	x	x
Mike Fenelon	Microsoft	x			
Bill Wagner	NETsilicon		x	x	
Hugo Parra	Novell		x	x	
Roelof Hamberg	Océ		x	x	
Huibert Jongen	Océ		x	x	
Paul Moore	Peerless		x	x	
Gail Songer	Peerless		x	x	
Satoshi Fujitani	Ricoh	x	x	x	
Craig Whittle	Sharp		x	x	
Tom Hastings	Xerox		x	x	x
Bob Herriot	Xerox		x	x	
Carl-Uno Manros[3]	Xerox		x	x	
Peter Zehler	Xerox		x	x	
Norbert Schade	Xionics				x

[1] JMP and PMP Chairman
[2] PWG Chairman
[3] IPP Chairman

2. Administrivia

Don Wright opened the meeting and provided the details for the next PWG meeting:

- July 10-14
- Hyatt Fisherman's Wharf, San Francisco
- 555 North Point Street
- Phone: (415) 563-1234
- Rate: $185
- Register at www.fapo.com/ieee1284.htm

Don also referenced the 2000 schedule for future PWG meetings:

- Sep 11-15   Chicago
- Oct 23-27   Boston
- Dec 4-8   San Diego

3. Future Schedule

Don said that he will be issuing a draft schedule for next year's PWG meetings before the July meeting. He requested that people submit any dates that he should avoid. Specifically, he requested information on other conferences to avoid and "Golden Week" in Japan.

4. Status Reports

Each of the Project Chairs (or appointed spokesperson) provided a brief status of the individual projects.

4.1 Internet Printing Protocol (IPP) Project

Carl-Uno Manros reported that not a lot has occurred since the previous meeting in Tokyo. He has not received any noticeable activity from the IESG on the IPP/1.1 documents. He hopes to have the Notification documents completed soon—so that they can be included in the Bake-off planned for October.

Carl-Uno also said that it is his goal to complete everything currently under review and development by the end of the year.

4.2 Printer MIB Project (PMP)

Ron Bergman reported that the Host Resources MIB has now been completed. This will allow the Printer MIB to move forward on standards track progression. Ron hopes that a Printer MIB should be submitted to the IESG in a couple of weeks. There is no estimate about how long it will take to go through the IESG review process.

4.3 Job MIB Project (JMP)

This work is completed. Tom Hastings asked about a possible "bake-off" for the Job MIB. However, it was generally felt that there would be no perceived benefit in having one.

4.4 Finisher (FIN) MIB Project

Ron Bergman said that a new draft of the Finisher MIB has been issued—because the previous draft had expired. There were only a few editorial changes.

4.5 Universal Printer Description File Format (UPDF) Project

Sandra Matts reported that there has been no progress since the previous meeting in Tokyo. She also announced that this is her last meeting as Chair of the UPDF group. She explained that two years have been enough—and that the responsibility of Chair is taking up too much of her time to allow her to do her work at HP.

She also alluded to the possibility of the group disbanding unless someone else volunteers to lead the effort.

4.6 1394 PWG

The IEEE has now forwarded the Invitation to Ballot form to Greg LeClair. The Ballot Body for the 1394.3 specification will be created soon.

The meeting on Monday primarily focused on discussions of possible future work topics. The group agreed to focus on two items:

- Solving "the multi-instance Initiator problem"
- 1394.3 Printing Profiles

However, the group also agreed that it would not be reasonable to hold another meeting until a draft proposal document on either of the two items was generated for review. If no proposal is published before the end of May, they will not meet in July.

5. ISTO-IEEE

Cindy Tiritilli from the ISTO provided some membership and financial information. There are currently 21 charter and 7 additional members. Most recent additions include Océ and Bitstream. $25,000 in membership fees have been collected.

Cindy reported that a choice between two hotels is currently being considered for the September meeting in Chicago. Details will be announced when the negotiations are finalized.

Carl-Uno Manros suggested that the group should use some of the membership funds to buy a projector. It would be much cheaper than renting one. It was noted that in the past the group has relied on volunteers to bring a projector, rather than renting one. Carl-Uno's suggestion raises the problem of logistics with regard to getting the device to and from the meetings. No one at the meeting volunteered to bear the responsibility of lugging it around for all of the meetings. When the suggestion of using Fed-Ex was made, there was a question about how long the device would last if it were shipped to/from the meetings. No final decision was made, but the group seemed to think the idea deserves further consideration.

6. PWG Document Templates

Don Wright referenced the [IPP] Production Printing Attributes document as the current sample of the PWG Document Template format. A cover page and copyright statement still need to be added. Any comments about the document format are encouraged, and should be sent to the PWG reflector.

PWG Plenary adjourned.