Minutes Event Safety Working Group

Saturday, 04 April 2020 13:00-16:00 Central Time

WebEx only

Chairperson:

Don Cooper; Event Safety Alliance; P; G

Recording secretaries:

Karl Ruling and Richard Nix (ESTA)

Attendees:

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1 Opening Remarks

Due to travel and time constraints caused by current public health restrictions and recommended protocols, the agenda is abbreviated to address only essential items, either required by P&P, or requiring direct consensus body action. All other informational reports, new business and items for discussion are deferred to the July meetings.

Don Cooper called the meeting to order at 13:04, welcoming everyone to the meeting, and expressing gratefulness at the opportunity to have a meeting today. He thanked everyone from the bottom of his heart and hoped that everyone was staying healthy. He wished everyone good health in these trying times, extending best thoughts to all participants. In the spirit of family, he said that he hoped people will reach out if anyone in the group needs help, or can help.

2 Patent and anti-trust statements

2.1 Reading of the anti-trust statement

Don Cooper read the following statement aloud to the assembly:

ESTA and its members take seriously their obligation to comply with all applicable antitrust laws. Therefore, during this meeting and during all ESTA events, all discussions will be limited to those subjects that are permitted by the antitrust laws. All members should refrain from any discussion or mention of competitively sensitive subjects such as the current or future prices charged for any member product or services, current or future marketing plans or strategies, and current or future costs, including employee salaries. There also must be no agreement on the suppliers or customers that members will or will not do business with or the markets in which members will conduct business.

Violations of the antitrust laws can have serious consequences. If you have any questions or concerns about anything that is discussed at an ESTA meeting, please bring your concern to ESTA management. An easy to read pamphlet describing the antitrust laws is available from the ESTA staff.

Karl Ruling held up the pamphlet in front of his camera, for all with video to see.

2.2 Reading of the call for patents

Don Cooper read the following statement aloud to the assembly:

ESTA intends not to publish any standard that contains protected intellectual property, unless that information can be licensed by anyone for a reasonable fee. ESTA uses a process of open patent and copyright disclosures to implement its intent. ESTA does not conduct patent or copyright searches and does not warrant that its standards contain no protected intellectual property.

In keeping with the open disclosures policy, I ask if anyone present wishes to notify this working group of the existence of a patent, patent application, copyright, or other protected intellectual property that might protect material in a standard being developed by this working group. You need not be the holder of the patent or copyright to notify this working group of its existence.

Nothing was revealed.

3 Attendance and Membership

3.1 Requirements for membership

Don Cooper read the following statement aloud to the assembly:

Membership is open to all parties who are affected by the work of the group; membership in ESTA is not a requirement, but there is a \$100/person/year participation fee to help fund the costs of running the Technical Standards Program. Voting members are required to attend meetings and vote on letter ballots. Any principal member and alternate that both miss three consecutive meetings or that miss three consecutive letter ballots will have their membership status changed to observer. This action will be taken at the beginning of the first meeting after such inaction and will be recorded in the minutes of that meeting.

3.2 Determination of a quorum

[There are currently 35 votes possible. A quorum is 12; a supermajority is 18]

Richard Nix polled the voters, present either online or on the phone. By review of the online participants, Don Cooper declared that the requirements for both a quorum and supermajority had been met

3.3 Processing of new membership and status change requests

As of 15 March 2020, the following applications or status change requests have been received:

There are none

3.5 Changes to observer status

3.5.1 Changes due to attendance

The following voters have missed the last two meetings and are in jeopardy of being moved to Observer status if this meeting is also missed:

Allen Winzler; Clark-Reder Engineering, Inc.; P; DE Jeff Reder; Clark-Reder Engineering, Inc.; A; DE Steven Vanciel; I.A.T.S.E. Local 631; P; EW

Allen Winzler and Steve Vanciel were both present. No changes were made.

3.5.2 Changes due to missed letter ballots

The following voters have missed two consecutive letter ballots, and their voting status will be changed to Observer if the next ballot is also missed:

There are none.

3.6 Automatic status changes

The following automatic status changes have occurred since the last working group meeting:

There are none.

3.7 Consensus body

The table below shows the full consensus voting body as of today's date, after all changes occurring at this meeting. Please check the list carefully.

Name	Representing	Status	Int Cat
Ryan Riordan	Accurate Staging, Inc	Р	EQP
Keith Sklar	Actors' Equity Association	P	PA
Steven A. Adelman	Adelman Law Group, PLLC	Р	G
Will Todd	Area Four Industries	P	EQP
Stewart Stephens	Ashford Management Group	P	G
Claire Wright	Buddy, LLC	P	EQP
Mike Aug	Chicken Scratch LLC	I	EVP
Monique Corbeil	CITT/ICTS	P	G
Janet Sellery	CITT/ICTS	A	G
Rebecca Cotter	City of Markham	P	DE
Allen Winzler	Clark-Reder Engineering, Inc.	P	DE
Jeffrey M. Reder	Clark-Reder Engineering, Inc.	A	DE
Kevin Pew	Digital Sound Systems	P	DR
Jeremy Dixon	Digital Sound Systems	A	DR
Don Earl	Earl Girls, Inc.	P	DR
Janine A. Jordan	Electronic Music Alliance	Р	G
Ethan W Gilson	Entertainment Rigging Services, LLC	P	DE
Donald Cooper	Event Safety Alliance	P	G
Chris Schmidt	Freeman Companies	P	DR
Danielle Hernandez	Furman University	P	G
Joe Golden	Gallagher Staging & Productions	P	DE
Stephen Vanciel	IATSE Local 631	Р	EW
Alyxzander Bear	Insomniac	Р	EVP
Dominic Housiaux	Lankey & Limey, LTD	Р	EVP

Jacob Abbott	PSAV Presentation Services P				
Patrick Wallace	PSAV Presentation Services		G		
Eric Kant	Phase01 Crowd Management		DE		
Bennett Brian	Reed Rigging Inc.		DR		
Richard J. Nix	Richard J. Nix		G		
Jesse Barnes	Safewise Risk Management, Inc		G		
Cedric Jackson	on Screen Actors Guild - American Federation of Television & Radio Artists (SAG-AFTRA)		PA		
Sanford P. Gilzow	Shur-Rig LLC	Р	DR		
Neil Huff	Taylor & Taylor Insurance Brokers	Р	INS		
Steven Serafin	The Hartford Group		INS		
Jerry Gorrell	Theatre Safety Programs		G		
Daniel H. Louis	Theta Consulting LLC		G		
Robert Haycock	UC Berkeley		EW		
Randell Greenlee	VPLT		G		
Christian A. Buschhoff	xEMP extra Entertainment Media Publishing oHG P		G		
	Total possible	votes:	35		
	Design	er (DE)	5		
	Dealer or rental compa	Dealer or rental company (DR)			
	Equipment provid		3		
Votes by interest	Event producer (EVP)				
category:	Event Worker (EW)				
	General inte	rest (G)	13		
	Insurance company (INS)				
	Performing artist (PA)				
Voting status kov: P =	Principal voter, A = Alternate voter, I = Individual voter				

4 Approval of the minutes from the last meeting

[See ES_Min_10-2019r1_DRAFT.pdf]

Ethan Gilson moved to approve the minutes from the last meeting. The motion was seconded and carried without objection or abstention.

5 Approval of agenda

The agenda must be approved by a vote of the working group.

Steve Vanciel moved to accept the agenda. The motion was seconded and approved without objection or abstention.

6 Old Business

6.1 Task Group documents for action

Task group updates requiring no consensus body action are deferred until the July meetings.

6.1.1 Crowd Management (Adelman)

Steve Adelman (Chair), Orestes Mihaly, Christian Buschhoff, Danielle Hernandez, Tim Roberts, Kurt Miner, Karen Hoffman, Dana Risinger, Neil Huff, Greg Guzzetta, Dominic Housiaux, Dan Gibbs, Janine Jordan, Eric Stuart, Richard Nix, Don Cooper

[See BSR_ES1.9_PR 2CmmntResol_DRAFT.pdf and BSR ES1-9-20xx_ES_2019-2001r3.pdf]

Proposed comment resolutions and a revised draft, with no substantive changes, have been distributed for action at this meeting.

Steve Adelman moved to accept the public review resolutions. The motion was seconded, and a vote was taken by show -of-hands for WebEx attendees, and by voice vote for phone-in voters. The motion carried unanimously, without objection or abstentions.

Neil Huff moved to accept the document as an ANS. The motion was seconded. A letter ballot will be issued.

Don Cooper congratulated Steve Adelman. Steve Adelman thanked his task group and the working group.

6.1.2 Weather Preparedness (Mack)

Richard Nix (Chair), George Long, Janine Oblak, Jim Digby, Mike Aug, Dan Louis, Diane Mack, Don Cooper. [See BSR_ES1.7_PR 1CmmntResols_DRAFT.pdf and BSR ES1-7-20xx_ES2019-20010r0-3.pdf]

Proposed resolutions and a revised draft have been distributed for action at this meeting.

Richard Nix gave a report on the draft resolutions, stating that he had communicated with Steve Adelman, who has said he would solicit weather professionals to be active in the group.

There was discussion. No motion was made to move the comment resolutions or the revised draft standard forward at this meeting. Richard Nix said that these documents will probably look different when they are returned to the working group for action, at the next meeting.

6.1.3 Fire Safety (Don Cooper)

Don said that the document should be ready to send out for PR1 at the next meeting. He asked for the process to do so. Karl Ruling and Richard Nix each explained parts of the public review process.

7 Schedule for future meetings

The full and current meeting schedule may be found at <u>http://www.esta.org/ESTA/meetings.php</u>. The page has a "Reserve a Hotel Room" link to reserve a hotel room for those events where ESTA negotiates rates with the hotel.

Dominic reminded the Medical and Electrical task groups will be meeting Tuesday 07 April.

Richard Nix said that there was a coordination effort between the Medical Task Group and the Electrical Power Working Group on the topic of EAD/defibrillators. Robert Haycock gave a more thorough report. He said that the EPWG had received a new project request form for prevention of electrocution hazards. During their discussion, the ESWG Electrical Safety draft standard was mentioned as being a good place to address this topic. He said that the next action is for the new project request author, Keith Sklar, and the Electrical Safety task group leaders to engage in discussion, and determine if it's a good fit.

Coordination between the Event Safety Working Group and other working groups is good in situations like this!

Don Cooper reminded everyone to send all definitions, including citations to him for inclusion in the definitions repository document.

7.1 Summer 2020 meetings (NATEAC, NYC)

The Summer 2020 meetings will be held in conjunction with the NATEAC event in New York City, 19-20 July 2020. The complete schedule has not yet been confirmed.

Don Cooper said that he hoped we would meet in July. Richard Nix said that the NATEAC event producer is expected to make a final decision within the next week, but if the event is canceled, everyone should expect to meet as usual, but online instead of face-to-face.

[TS Note: The event producer has postponed the NATEAC event until July 2021. More information can be found

7.2 Fall 2020 meetings (Westlake, TX)

The Fall 2020 meetings will be held back in Westlake, TX, at the usual location in the Marriott D/FW Solana. The meeting schedule has not yet been confirmed.

Neil Huff encouraged everyone, saying that an effective treatment will be developed soon. Things will come back to normal quickly, he thinks.

10 Adjournment

The agenda being complete, and there being no further business brought forth, Don Cooper declared the meeting adjourned at 14:35.

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