

Minutes
Followspot Position Working Group Meeting
Thursday, 22 January 2009
Dallas/Ft. Worth Marriott Solana
Westlake, TX

Presiding chairmen:

Jack Schmidt; Special Lighting Solutions, representing Ballantyne of Omaha, Inc.; P; MP
Charles I. Swift; Graham, Swift & Company, LLC; P; G

Recording secretary: Karl G. Ruling; ESTA

Members attending:

Chip Purchase; Jones Hall (Foundation for Jones Hall); P; U
Edwin S. Kramer; I.A.T.S.E. Local 1; P; U
Richard Logothetis; Lycian Stage Lighting; P; MP
Fred Lindauer; Robert Juliat USA (Robert Juliat SA); P; MP
Richard J. Nix; Entertainment Structures Group (Steven Schaefer Associates); P; G
Jerry Gorrell; Theatre Safety Programs; O; U

Visitors: None

1 Opening remarks from the Chairman

The meeting was called to order by Jack Schmidt at 19:04.

2 Patent and Anti-Trust statements

2.1 Patent statement

The following statement was read aloud to the assembly by Charles Swift:

"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 or copyright or other 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."

No protected intellectual property was brought to the attention of the assembly.

2.2 Anti-trust statement

The following statement was read aloud to the assembly by Jack Schmidt:

"The ESTA Board of Directors, the Technical Standards Committee, and the leadership of this working group will reject or nullify any actions that unlawfully restrain trade. Anyone who feels that such an action is being or has been taken is requested to bring that matter to the attention of the chair immediately. Anyone who feels that actions in restraint of trade have been taken and not properly annulled is requested to notify the TSC chair or ESTA president immediately.

"ESTA legal counsel has informed us that violations of the anti-trust laws can have serious consequences. Individuals engaged in certain unlawful conduct can be found criminally liable. An individual convicted of a criminal violation of the Sherman Act may be fined as much as \$1,000,000 and imprisoned for up to ten years. An easy to read pamphlet describing restraint of trade issues is available from the Technical Standards Manager."

The Technical Standards Manager held up one of the easy-to-read pamphlets to show that copies were available at the meeting.

No restraint of trade issues were reported.

3 Attendance & membership

3.1 Introductions

The attendees were all familiar with each other and there were no visitors, so the usual self-introductions were not done.

3.2 Taking attendance

A hot orange sign-in sheet was circulated. .

3.3 Requirements for membership

Charles Swift read the following statement aloud to the assembly:

"Membership in the working group is open to all who are affected by the work of the group. Voting members are required to attend meetings and to vote on letter ballots. Voting members and their alternates may not miss three consecutive meetings without a loss of voting status."

3.4 Determination of quorum

Charles swift announced that there were enough voting members present to pass a motion requiring a supermajority, therefore a quorum was present and business could be conducted.

3.5 Processing of new membership requests

None.

3.6 Consensus body

The consensus body during this meeting was:

Name	Company	Representing	Voting status	Int. cat.
R. Duane Wilson	George C. Izenour Associates	Amer. Society of Theatre Consultants	P	G
Jack Schmidt	Special Lighting Solutions	Ballantyne of Omaha, Inc.	P	MP
Chip Purchase	Jones Hall	Foundation for Jones Hall	P	U
Charles I. Swift	Graham, Swift & Company, LLC	Graham, Swift & Company, LLC	P	G
Edwin S. Kramer	I.A.T.S.E. Local 1	I.A.T.S.E. Local 1	P	U
Richard Logothetis	Lycian Stage Lighting	Lycian Stage Lighting	P	MP
Fred Lindauer	Robert Juliat USA	Robert Juliat SA	P	MP
Richard J. Nix	Entertainment Structures Group	Steven Schaefer Associates	P	G
Kyle Kusmer	Entertainment Structures Group	Steven Schaefer Associates	A	G
William L. Maiman	William L. Maiman	William L. Maiman	I	G
		Total votes	9	
		Votes by interest categories	0	CP
			3	MP
			0	DR
			2	U
			4	G

4 Approval of minutes from the 24 October 2008 meeting

(See document number FP/2008-9008, file name FPmin10-2008.pdf.)

Charles Swift asked for a motion to approve the draft minutes. Jack Schmidt made the motion, which was then seconded and accepted with a show of hands.

5 Approval of agenda

Eddie Kramer moved that the agenda be approved. The motion was seconded and passed with a show of hands.

6 Old Business

Continuation of the motion for a second public review of BSR E1.28. (See the resolutions document FP/2008-9002 and revised draft standard FP/2007-9000r4.2.)

The motion from the last meeting had not been acted on by letter ballot because the draft standard had not been prepared in time to issue a ballot. Further work on the draft standard was done at this meeting.

Minor changes were made to the resolution document approved at the last meeting. Eddie Kramer moved that the changes be accepted. The motion was seconded . Seconded. Unanimous show of hands.

There was further discussion of the draft standard and further work to remove mandatory language and to make the language more in line with offering advice rather than specifying requirements. The drawings in the informative annex were discussed and revised.

Eddie Kramer moved that the new revision of the draft standard (FP/2007-9000r4.3) be offered for public review. The motion was seconded and then accepted with a roll call ballot.

Name	Company	Representing (This is the sort field.)	Voting status	Int. cat.	Yes	No	Abstain	Not present
R. Duane Wilson	George C. Izenour Associates	Amer. Society of Theatre Consultants	P	G				X
Jack Schmidt	Special Lighting Solutions	Ballantyne of Omaha, Inc.	P	MP	X			
Chip Purchase	Jones Hall	Foundation for Jones Hall	P	U	X			
Charles I. Swift	Graham, Swift & Company, LLC	Graham, Swift & Company, LLC	P	G	X			
Edwin S. Kramer	I.A.T.S.E. Local 1	I.A.T.S.E. Local 1	P	U	X			
Richard Logothesis	Lycian Stage Lighting	Lycian Stage Lighting	P	MP	X			
Fred Lindauer	Robert Juliat USA	Robert Juliat SA	P	MP	X			
Richard J. Nix	Entertainment Structures Group	Steven Schaefer Associates	P	G	X			
Kyle Kusmer	Entertainment Structures Group	Steven Schaefer Associates	A	G				
William L. Maiman	William L. Maiman	William L. Maiman	I	G				X
		Total	9		7	0	0	2
		Totals by interest category	0	CP	0	0	0	0
			3	MP	3	0	0	0
			0	DR	0	0	0	0
			2	U	2	0	0	0
			4	G	2	0	0	2

7 New Business

None.

8 Other Business

None.

9 Schedule of future meetings

Swift announced that the next scheduled meeting is for Thursday, 19 March 2009, from 19:00 to 23:00 at the Hilton Cincinnati Netherland Plaza in Cincinnati, OH. The consensus was that this meeting should be cancelled because the document will be in public review. The following meeting would be on Thursday, 16 July 2009.

10 Changes of voting status

The following voting member has missed the previous two consecutive meetings, and will be moved to observer status if this meeting is also missed:

Fred Lindauer, Robert Juliat USA

No change was made because Fred Lindauer was present.

11 Adjournment

Eddie Kramer moved that the meeting adjourn. The motion was seconded and then approved by acclamation. Charles Swift declared the meeting adjourned at 21:14.

Working Group Membership and Contact Information as of 20 February 2009

Name	Company	Representing (This is the sort field.)	Voting status	Int. cat.
R. Duane Wilson	George C. Izenour Associates	Amer. Society of Theatre Consultants	P	G
Jack Schmidt	Special Lighting Solutions	Ballantyne of Omaha, Inc.	P	MP
Cary Feher	CaRyEATIONS	CaRyEATIONS	O	U
Chip Purchase	Jones Hall	Foundation for Jones Hall	P	U
Charles I. Swift	Graham, Swift & Company, LLC	Graham, Swift & Company, LLC	P	G
Edwin S. Kramer	I.A.T.S.E. Local 1	I.A.T.S.E. Local 1	P	U
Thomas Paterson	Lux Populi SA de CV	Lux Populi SA de CV	O	G
Richard Logothetis	Lycian Stage Lighting	Lycian Stage Lighting	P	MP
Fred Lindauer	Robert Juliat USA	Robert Juliat SA	P	MP
Steve Rust	Sachs Morgan Studio	Sachs Morgan Studio	O	G
Stephen Vanciel	Stephen Vanciel	Stephen Vanciel	O	U
Richard J. Nix	Entertainment Structures Group	Steven Schaefer Associates	P	G
Kyle Kusmer	Entertainment Structures Group	Steven Schaefer Associates	A	G
John Tedesco	The Phoebus Company, Inc.	The Phoebus Company, Inc.	O	MP
Curtis Kasefang	Theatre Consultants Collaborative, LLC	Theatre Consultants Collaborative, LLC	O	CP
Jerry Gorrell	Theatre Safety Programs	Theatre Safety Programs	O	U
William L. Maiman	William L. Maiman	William L. Maiman	I	G

Key to codes:

P	principal	MP	mass-market producer
A	alternate	CP	custom-market producer
I	individual	DR	dealer or rental company
O	observer	U	user
		G	general interest