

Minutes
Followspot Positions Working Group
27 January 2021
via WebEx

Presiding working group leader: Richard Logothetis; Lycian Stage Lighting

Recording secretaries: Richard Nix & Karl Ruling; ESTA

Members attending:

Robert Haycock; UC Berkeley; I; G
Jules Lauve; Theatre Projects Consultants, Inc.; P; DE
Richard Logothetis; Lycian Stage Lighting; P; MP
Richard J. Nix; Richard J. Nix; I; G
Christopher B. Tilton; About the Stage, LLC; P; DE
Stephen Vanciel; IATSE Local 631; P; U

1 Opening Remarks

Richard Logothetis called the meeting to order at 14:11. He noted that we have two documents on the agenda.

2 Patent and anti-trust statements

2.1 Reading of the anti-trust statement

Richard Logothetis asked Richard Nix to read the following statement aloud to the assembly. He did so.

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 displayed a copy of the pamphlet. No anti-trust concerns were reported.

2.2 Reading of the call for patents

Richard Nix 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

Richard Nix 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 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 Introduction of attendees and taking attendance

People present introduced themselves.

3.3 Determination of a quorum

There were six voting members present, which is a quorum and more than the minimum needed to pass a motion requiring a supermajority

3.4 Processing of new membership and status change requests

There were none to process..

3.5 Changes to observer status due to lack of attendance

None had missed the last two consecutive meeting, there were no changes.

3.5.1 Automatic status changes

None.

3.6 Consensus body

The table below shows the full consensus voting body during the meeting.

Name	Representing	Status	Int Cat
Chris Tilton	About the Stage LLC	P	DE
R. Duane Wilson	Amer. Society of Theatre Consultants	P	DE
Edwin S. Kramer	I.A.T.S.E. Local 1	P	U
Stephen Vanciel	IATSE Local 631	P	U
Richard Logothetis	Lycian Stage Lighting	P	MP
Richard J. Nix	Richard J. Nix	I	G
Jules Lauve	Theatre Projects Consultants	P	DE
Jerry Gorrell	Theatre Safety Programs	P	U
Robert Haycock	UC Berkeley	I	G
Total possible votes:		9	
Total by interest category	Custom market producer	0	CP
	Designer	3	DE
	Dealer or Rental company	0	DR
	General Interest	2	G
	Mass market producer	1	MP
	User	3	U

Voting status: P = Principal voter, A = Alternate voter, I = Individual voter

4 Approval of the minutes from the last meeting

See FPmin01-2020_DRAFT.pdf.

Chris Tilton moved to approve the draft minutes. The motion was seconded. The motion was accepted with no objections or abstentions.

5 Approval of agenda

Robert Haycock moved to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded. The motion was accepted with no objections or abstentions.

6 Old Business

6.1 ANSI E1.28-2011 (R2016), *Guidance on planning followspot positions in places of public assembly*

Steve Vanciel moved to reaffirm the standard. The motion was seconded. The question will be decided by letter ballot.

Chris Tilton said that he had reviewed the standard and said it looks like it still is relevant.

6.2 ANSI E1.66-2020, *Safety Standard for Followspot Positions Erected for Short-term Use in Entertainment Venues*

The question was asked if people are using the standard. Karl Ruling said we don't know if people are using it, but it has been downloaded 80 times, with one today.

7 New business

None.

8 Other business and announcements

8.1 Above & Beyond Awards

Attendees were reminded that information about the Above & Beyond Awards may be found at http://tsp.esta.org/tsp/news/award_recipients.html.

9 Schedule for future meetings

The meeting schedule may be found at <http://www.esta.org/ESTA/meetings.php>.

There is currently no meeting scheduled for April, but that may change depending upon the E1.28 public review and reaffirmation ballot results.

10 Adjournment

Jules Lauve moved we adjourn. The motion was Seconded. The agenda being completed and there being no further business to conduct, Richard Logothetis declared the meeting adjourned at 14:28.

Followspot Position Working Group members as of 27 January 2021

Delegate	Representing	Voting status	Int. cat.
Justin Bennett	University of the Incarnate Word	O	U
Mike Garl	Mike Garl Consulting LLC	exf	
Jerry Gorrell	Theatre Safety Programs	P	U
Erin Grabe	ESTA	exf	G
Robert Haycock	UC Berkeley	I	G
Curtis Kasefang	Theatre Consultants Collaborative, LLC	O	CP
Edwin S. Kramer	I.A.T.S.E. Local 1	P	U
Kyle Kusmer	Steven Schaefer Associates, Inc	O	G
Jules Lauve	Theatre Projects Consultants, Inc.	P	DE
Richard Logothetis	Lycian Stage Lighting	P	MP
Richard J. Nix	Richard J. Nix	I	G
Richard J. Nix	ESTA	exf	G
Karl G. Ruling	ESTA	exf	G
Ford Sellers	Chauvet Lighting	O	MP
Christopher B. Tilton	About the Stage, LLC	P	DE
Stephen Vanciel	IATSE Local 631	P	U
R. Duane Wilson	Amer. Society of Theatre Consultants	P	DE
Jeong Sik Yoo	Ghost LX	O	DE

CP = Custom-market Producer

MP = Mass-market Producer

P = Principal voter

DE = DEsigner

U = User

A = Alternate voter

DR = Dealer or Rental company

I = Individual voter

G = General interest

O = Observer