

Minutes
Followspot Position Working Group Meeting
Friday, 24 October 2008
Harrah's Las Vegas
Las Vegas, NV

Presiding chairman: Jack Schmidt; Special Lighting Solutions, representing Ballantyne of Omaha, Inc.; P; MP

Recording secretaries: Richard Nix of Steven Schaefer Associates for the bulk of the meeting and Karl Ruling of ESTA for the start of the meeting

Members attending:

Cary Feher; CaRyEATIONS; O; U
Chip Purchase; Jones Hall (Foundation for Jones Hall); P; U
Charles I. Swift; Graham, Swift & Company, LLC P; G
Richard Logothetis; Lycian Stage Lighting; P; MP
Stephen Vanciel; O; U
Richard J. Nix; Entertainment Structures Group (Steven Schaefer Associates); P; G
William L. Maiman; I; G

Vistors: None.

1 Opening remarks from the Chairman

Jack Schmidt called the meeting to order at 18:11. The meeting was delayed to allow people time to find the room, which was poorly marked.

Explained that his plan was to finish the resolutions, and then to turn the resolutions and the revised draft standard over to a scribe (Richard Nix or Karl Ruling) to edit the resolutions and revise the draft standard.

2 Patent and Anti-Trust statements

The following statements (2.1 and 2.2) were read aloud to the assembly by Jack Schmidt:

2.1 Patent statement

"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 property was reported.

2.2 Anti-trust statement

"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."

No restraint of trade issues were reported.

3 Attendance & membership

3.1 Introductions

Jack Schmidt introduced the attendees.

3.2 Taking attendance

A lime-green attendance sign-in sheet was circulated.

3.3 Requirements for membership

Schmidt reminded those present that 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 alternates may not miss three consecutive meetings without a loss of voting status.

3.4 Determination of quorum

Jack Schmidt announced that a quorum was present (three or more voters) and that business could be conducted.

3.5 Processing of new membership requests

There were none to process.

3.6 The consensus body

The full consensus body during this meeting, including those not present, 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 Logotheitis	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 possible	9	
		Votes by interest category	0	CP
			3	MP
			0	DR
			2	U
			4	G

4 Approval of minutes from the 20 July 2008 meeting

(See document number FP/2008-9006, file name FPmin07-2008.pdf.) Chip Purchase moved that the draft minutes be accepted as written. The motion was seconded and then approved by acclamation.

5 Approval of agenda

Richard Logotheitis moved that the draft agenda be accepted. The motion was seconded and then approved with a voice vote.

6 Old Business

6.1

Continued work on the resolution of comments received on BSR E1.28 during the public review from 30 November 2007 through 14 January 2008. See E1-28Draft20July2008.doc, E1-28FrstResls-WrkgDrft20Jul2008.doc, AngleThrow.PDF, sblayouts 081808 type 1.pdf, sblayouts 081808 type 2.pdf, sblayouts 081808 type 3.pdf, sblayouts 081808 type 4.pdf, and sblayouts 081808 type 5.pdf.

The working group continued work on the comment resolutions while Richard Nix functioned as the secretary.

Charles Swift described a discussion that occurred between many ASTC members at the recent NATEAC conference in July. The consensus of that discussion was that the drawings in the draft standard should be removed. The Working Group agreed that the removal of prescriptive requirements in the drawings might be an acceptable alternative, but that the drawings were necessary to convey intent of the document's requirements. The working group agreed to offer the revised drawings for public review.

6.2

A set of proposed public review comment resolutions was completed. Richard Nix moved that the draft resolutions be accepted. The motion was seconded and then approved by all present, which was a supermajority of the voting body:

Name	Company	Representing	Voting status	Int. cat.	Yes	No	Abstain
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	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			
Richard Logothesis	Lycian Stage Lighting	Lycian Stage Lighting	P	MP	X		
Fred Lindauer	Robert Juliat USA	Robert Juliat SA	P	MP			
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 votes	9		6	0	0
		Votes by interest category	0	CP	0	0	0
			3	MP	3	0	0
			0	DR	0	0	0
			2	U	1	0	0
			4	G	3	0	0

The resolutions will be incorporated into a new version of the draft standard.

6.3

Richard Nix moved that the revised draft standard be offered for public review. The motion was seconded. The motion will be decided by a vote to be held when the draft document is available for the working group to review.

7 New Business

None.

8 Other Business

None.

9 Schedule of future meetings

Jack Schmidt announced that the next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 22 January 2009, from 19:00 to 22:00 at the Dallas/Ft. Worth Marriott Solana in Westlake, TX.

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:

Richard J. Nix and Kyle Kusmer; Entertainment Structures Group

Richard Nix was present, so there was no change in voting status.

11 Adjournment

There being no further business to address, a motion was made to adjourn by Richard Logethetis and second by Richrd Nix. The motion was approved with a unanimous voice vote. Jack Schmidt declared the meeting adjournment at 21:48.

Working Group Members and Contact Information as of 3 November 2008

Name	Company	Representation (The primary 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