

Minutes of the Society's Annual Meeting of Voting Members Held at the Century Plaza Hotel, Los Angeles, April 26, 1971

Reference: Announcement, page 190, March 1971 Journal of the SMPTE

The meeting was called to order by the President, as Chairman, at the conclusion of the Get-Together Luncheon. Since the Executive Secretary held 1121 signed proxies, a quorum was declared to be present in person and by proxy.

The Chairman asked the Secretary to read the proposed amendments to the Bylaws. Following the reading, a motion to adopt was made and seconded from the floor. A vote was taken of those present who had not submitted signed proxies, and the motion was passed.

The text of the amendments, and total votes (floor votes plus proxies) by which they were adopted, follow:

Bylaws, Article III, Sec. 2, Subsec. A. Regions

Amend to read: "For the purposes of representation on the Board of Governors, the U.S. and Canada will be divided into regions. These regions are as follows: (1) New York, consisting of the New York Section; (2) Southern, consisting of the Atlanta, Dallas-Ft. Worth, Florida-Caribbean, Houston and Nashville Sections; (3) Eastern, consisting of the Boston, Rochester and Washington, D.C. Sections; (4) Central, consisting of the Chicago, Denver, Detroit and Ohio Sections; (5) Western, consisting of the Hollywood and San Francisco Sections; (6) Canada; (7)

International, consisting of all countries other than the U.S. and Canada. The Board of Governors will assign new Sections to the regions in which they are geographically located."

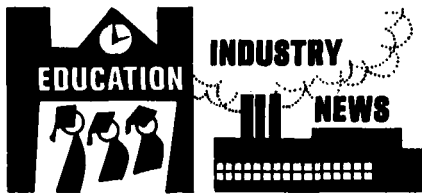
Bylaws, Article III, Sec. 2, Subsec. B. Representation

Amend to read: "The Regions of the U.S. and Canada shall be represented on the basis of one Governor for each 500 members or fraction thereof, of any grade, elected by the voting membership residing in their respective regions. Membership in the regions shall be determined on the basis of an annual membership audit as of April 1, of each year. Members residing in countries other than the United States of America or Canada may vote for any two nominees for Governor, regardless of region, who they feel will be best able to serve their interests."

For: 1114 Against: 23

There being no other business, the Chairman called for a motion for adjournment; a motion was made, seconded and passed; and the Chairman declared the Annual Meeting adjourned at 2:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
DENIS A. COURTNEY
Executive Secretary



General Tire Unit Donates TV Outlet to Church Group

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NEW YORK—RKO General Inc., said it had donated its Hartford, Conn., television station, WHCT, to Faith Center, a nonprofit church corporation.

The station conducted the nation's first major over-the-air subscription television test, which lasted from June 1962 to January 1969. RKO General, a subsidiary of General Tire & Rubber Co., acquired the station in 1960. WHCT operates on Channel 18 in the UHF sector on a television set's dial.

At its peak, the pay television test served 7,000 homes with 30 hours a week of special programming including new motion pictures, live sports and theatrical events. The programs were sent by means of "scrambled" audio and video signals that were "decoded" in the homes.

The experiment, conducted in cooperation with Zenith Radio Corp., was the basis of the Federal Communications Commission's decision to permit nationwide pay TV. RKO General said it had incurred "large losses" in connection with the pay TV experiment.

The Rev. R. A. Shoch, president of Faith Center, said the station "will be used to bring a new dimension in inspirational and family-oriented programming."

Faith Center owns a radio station in Los Angeles and a television station in San Bernardino, Calif. The FCC must approve of the gift of the Hartford station to this group.

The 10th International Congress on High-Speed Photography will be held September 25-30, 1972, in the Palais de la Méditerranée, Nice, France. The Congress will be organized by the National Association of Technical Research and sponsored by the Bureau of Research and Experimental Techniques of the Ministry of National Defense and by the General Delegation of Scientific and Technical Research of the Ministry of Industrial and Scientific Development. Professor du Bois, Director of the Bureau of Research and Experimental Techniques, will be the Chairman of the Congress. Chairman of the Organization Committee is Ingénieur Général Fayolle. Mr. Devaux is Vice-Chairman. Committee members are Ingénieur en Chef Paget and Mr. Laviron, Chairman of the Scientific Committee. Further information is available from: 10ème Congrès International de Cinématographie ultra-rapide, Secrétariat General, Laboratoire Central De L'Armement 94, Arcueil, France.

The First Conference of the National Institute of Film and Social Response will be held July 25-28 at George Eastman House in Rochester, N.Y. The program includes a retrospective overview of historical and contemporary classics; a report on research findings from the social and behavioral sciences and a practical "case-study" approach using specific films and campaigns to illustrate the "how-to" aspects of planning, production and distribution and the results. A distinguished resident faculty

will be in attendance throughout the Institute and interchange in the form of panel discussions involving faculty and participants is a planned activity.

The Institute is intended especially for those "who sponsor, commission, plan, design or produce films which are intended to inform, persuade, convince, stimulate, energize or inspire," the announcement stated. The Institute fee of \$325 covers participation in all sessions including special screening programs in the Eastman House Dryden Theater and social events. Further information is available from National Institute of Film and Social Response, c/o Studies in Public Communication, Box 374, Cicero, NY 13039.

An educational program utilizing controlled or slow-scan television beamed on subcarriers of an FM radio station will be launched in the fall of 1971 in Michigan by the Flint Public School, it was announced by the Michigan Dept. of Education, Lansing, MI 48902. The experimental project, the first of its kind, will use previously unused subcarriers of Flint's educational FM station, WFBE, to transmit instructional TV into four elementary schools. Developed by specialists within the Michigan Dept. of Education in cooperation with the Flint schools, the project will test the feasibility and effectiveness of a new audio-visual instructional medium expected to be much less costly than conventional educational TV.

The method requires only a special transmitter to transfer the visual signal to the subcarriers and special modulators to convert standard TV sets at the receiving end. While the audio portion carries instantaneously, the controlled scan picture takes about 10 seconds to build to