

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE VOTING MEMBERS OF SMPTE

10 MAY 1993, 2:00 P.M., Local Time
595 West Hartsdale Avenue
White Plains, New York

To the Voting Members of SMPTE:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Special Meeting of the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers, Inc., will be held at 2:00 p.m. local time 10 May 1993 at SMPTE Headquarters, 595 W. Hartsdale Avenue, White Plains, New York.

The purpose of this meeting will be to vote on proposed amendments to the Society's Bylaws. These proposed amendments were discussed by the Board of Governors at its 8 November 1992 meeting and approved at its 3 February 1993 meeting.

1. Membership

The Board of Governors recommends that the membership approve amendments to the Society Bylaws to eliminate the grade of Associate Membership, to remove restrictions by reason of age and time involved in the industry, and to remove the requirement that Active members be sponsored by a member of the Society.

Eliminating the grade of Associate Membership and references to age and time in the industry restrictions will ensure that all who meet the requirements of Active Membership will be accepted as Active Members. Further, the elimination of the grade of Associate will encourage and enable a wider group of members to participate in the activities of the Society.

2. Application for Membership

The Board of Governors recommends that the membership approve the amendment to the Society Bylaws to remove the requirement that an applicant for Active Membership shall have a signed endorsement by one such member on the application form.

In recent years the greatest membership growth has been in areas outside North America, where it is often difficult to find another member for sponsorship. It is the feeling of the Board that the requirement for a sponsor is a major deterrent to many qualified people who would otherwise become members.

1. BYLAWS, Article I, Membership

Sec. 1. Membership Grades. *Amend to read:*

The membership of the Society shall consist of the following grades: Honorary, Sustaining, Life Fellow, Life Member, Fellow, Active, and Student.

Sec. 2. Qualifications

Subsec. C. Fellow. An individual who has, by proficiency and contributions, attained an outstanding rank among engineers or executives in the motion-picture, television or related industries.

Subsec. D. Active. An individual who meets the qualifications as set forth in one of the following paragraphs:

Paragraph 1. An individual engaged in the motion-picture, television or allied arts and sciences who has performed, or been responsible for, engineering, technical or scientific work therein; or

Paragraph 2. A teacher in a school of recognized standing who has conducted a major course principally concerned with motion-picture or television engineering or a subject involving the related arts and sciences; or

Paragraph 3. An individual who has made a distinct contribution to the advancement of engineering or science in motion-pictures, television or the allied arts and sciences, or has contributed to the technical literature thereof, or has made significant inventions therein; or

Paragraph 4. An individual who has directed important engineering and responsible work in the motion-picture, television or related sciences, and who is otherwise qualified for the direct supervision of the technical and scientific features of such work.

Subsec. E. Student. (Renumbered-Text unchanged.)

Subsec. F. Life. An individual who meets all the following qualifications: (1) is at least 65 years old; (2) has been an Active and/or Fellow member for a total of at least 20 years, except that in either case, as much as, but not more than 5 years of credit may be granted, in exceptional circumstances, by the Board of Governors for other grades of Society membership; (3) has, at least 5 years of continuous membership as an Active or Fellow member immediately prior to application. Individuals who hold the grade of Fellow at the time of application, will become Life Fellows, and those holding the grade of Active will become Life Members.

Sec. 3. Application for Membership.

Individuals who meet the qualifications of Article I,

Section 2 may apply for membership in Student or Active grades or for a change in grade to Life member as follows:

Subsec. A. Active. An applicant for membership in this grade shall complete the Application for Membership form and submit it to the Society Headquarters.

Subsec. B. Student. (Unchanged)

Subsec. C. Life. An Active Member or Fellow requesting a change in membership grade to Life Member or Life Fellow shall submit a written application to the Secretary/Treasurer. Life membership will not be granted automatically.

Sec. 4. Election to Membership

- Subsec. A. Honorary.* (Text unchanged)
- Subsec. B. Fellow.* (Text unchanged)
- Subsec. C. Active.* (Text unchanged)
- Subsec. D. Student.* (Renumbered—text unchanged)
- Subsec. E. Life.* (Renumbered—text unchanged)

Sec. 5. Voting Rights. Each member of the Society in the Honorary, Fellow or Active grades shall be entitled to one vote on any matter presented to the membership, and such members are eligible to be elected to office in the Society. Members of the Society in the Student or Sustaining grades are not entitled to vote on any matter presented to the membership, are ineligible to hold office in the Society and may not be appointed to chair any committee of the Society. However, Student members may be appointed to serve as members of committees in which case they shall be entitled to vote on matters considered by the Committee. Life Members and Life Fellows shall be entitled to all the rights and privileges of Active and Fellow Members.

ARTICLE VII. DUES

Sec. I. Amount of Dues. Annual dues for grades of membership other than Sustaining are as follows:

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| Honorary..... | None |
| Life Fellow..... | None |
| Life Member..... | None |
| Fellow..... | Sixty-five dollars (\$65.00) |
| Active..... | Sixty-five dollars (\$65.00) |
| Student..... | Twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) |

ARTICLE IX. Sections

Sec. 1. Section Authorization. Sections of the Society may be authorized in any locality where the number of members Active and above exceeds fifty. The geographic boundaries of each Section shall be determined by the Board of Governors. Upon written petition for the authorization of a Section of the Society, signed by fifty or more members of the grade of Active or above, the Board of Governors may grant such authorization.

Sec. 5. Section Elections.

Subsec. D. Election. The list of nominees as approved by the Board of Managers shall be forwarded to the Secretary/Treasurer of the Society at Headquarters no later than the first Monday of March. No later than the third Monday of March, the Secretary/Treasurer of the Society shall cause a letter ballot to be mailed to each voting member of the Society residing in the geographical area covered by the Section.

For the purpose of voting on these proposed amendments to the Society's Bylaws, the Board of Governors has authorized me to solicit proxies pursuant to Article XI of the Bylaws in order to ensure a quorum at this Special Meeting.

After consideration of the proposed amendments please mark, sign, and return your proxy. If you attend this Special Meeting in person, your proxy will be returned to you upon request, and you may vote in person if you so desire.

By direction of the Board of Governors.

1 March 1993

Irwin W. Young, President