

SMPTE Holds Annual Elections for New Officers and Governors



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The Society has announced the results of its 1995 elections for new officers and governors for the 1996-97 term. Four new SMPTE officers were chosen. Mark S. Richer, PBS, will serve as Engineering Vice-President; Neil B. Feldman, Video Post & Transfer, Inc., as Financial Vice-President; and Fung Fai Lam, Sony of Canada Ltd., as Sections Vice-President. Edward P. Hobson II, Graham-Patten Systems, Inc., has been reelected as Conference Vice-President.

Incoming Engineering Vice-President **Mark S. Richer** is vice-president of engineering and computer services at the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS). In that capacity he is responsible for the development of technologies for PBS and its affiliated stations, as well as the management of PBS computer operations. A member of the Society since 1978, Richer was elevated to Fellow status in 1993. He served on the Television Recording and Reproduction Technology (TRRT) Committee from 1989 to 1992 and also participated in the TRRT Study Group on Small Formats. Richer has been speaker and session chair at several SMPTE conferences and section meetings and has also contributed papers to the *SMPTE Journal*. He is currently Chairman of the Working Party on Test and Evaluation for the FCC Advisory Committee on Advanced Television Services and a senior member of IEEE. Richer holds two patents and a B.S. from Rochester Institute of Technology.

Newly elected Financial Vice-President **Neil B. Feldman** is president/owner of Video Post & Transfer, Inc. Prior to forming that company in 1981, he was CMOS design engineer at Motorola, where he designed the 146818/19 CMOS Real-Time Clock integrated chips. He holds patents on power-down sense circuitry and a foolproof scene detector for film color corrections. Feldman served as Governor, Southern Region for three terms (1990-91, 1993-94, and 1994-95); as Governor-at-Large from 1991 to 1992; and as National Membership Chair from 1990 to 1995. He partici-

pated in the Eastman Kodak Gold Medal Award and Agfa-Gevaert Gold Medal Award Committees, the Nominating Committee, and the Financial and Education Committees; on the Section level he served as Chair, Secretary/Treasurer, and Manager of the Dallas Section. A graduate of Case Western Reserve University in Cleveland with a B.S.E.E., Feldman's professional affiliations include membership in IEEE, SPIE, SBE, ITS, and ITVA.

Incoming Sections Vice-President **Fung Fai Lam** is vice-president, technology and industrial relations, Broadcast & Professional Group, Sony of Canada Ltd., where he is responsible for new or current technology and industrial relation issues. Prior to taking on this position, he had been service and engineering vice-president of the Communication Products Group since 1985. He began his television engineering career in 1957.

Lam has been an active participant in Society affairs, serving as Director of Education for 1995, as Governor of the Canadian Region from 1993 through 1995, and as a member of the Television Recording and Reproduction Technology Working Group. He served as General Arrangements Chair at the 134th SMPTE Technical Conference in 1992 and has been responsible for many other conference, miniconference, seminar, and Toronto Section activities throughout the years. In recognition of his accomplishments, he was the recipient of the SMPTE Outstanding Service Award in 1993 and its Membership Growth Award in 1978 and 1980. Lam has also been awarded Canada's 125th Confederation Medal. In addition to the Society, Lam is a senior broadcast engineer, SBE, and a member of the IEEE.

Edward P. Hobson II, currently serving as SMPTE Conference Vice-President since 1993, has been given a mandate to continue for the 1996-97 term. He is vice-president, marketing and sales, at Graham-Patten Systems, Inc. A former vice-president of National TeleConsultants, Hobson has

over 27 years of experience in television and broadcasting, gained over the years at The Grass Valley Group, Capital Cities, Knight Ridder, and General Electric Broadcasting. An active member of the Society since 1984, Hobson was made a Fellow in 1994. He has served as Conference Vice-President since 1993; on the local level he was Manager of the New York Section from 1986 to 1988 and Secretary/Treasurer of the Sacramento Section in 1992. Hobson has also carried out various duties at several technical conferences, from

1986 to the present, serving as Assistant Session Chair for the 132nd Technical Conference in 1990, and as Luncheon Chair, Hotel Chair, Associate General Arrangements Chair, and in other capacities on the Local Arrangements Committees.

Regional Elections

The Society also held elections for a number of regional Governors. Those newly elected to serve the 1996-97 term are: *Canadian Region*, Gary Teltscher, Astral Tech; *Central Region*, Donald T. Adydan, Post

Effects; Eastern Region, Thomas M. Jordan, Leitch Inc., and Robert J. Ross, Westinghouse Broadcasting Co.; *Hollywood Region*, Robert B. Kisor, Paramount Pictures Corp., and Gavin Schutz, Four Media Co.; *New York Region*, Edgar A. Schuller, Entertainment Video Systems; *Southern Region*, Clyde D. Smith, Turner Entertainment Networks; and *Western Region*, Peter D. Symes, The Grass Valley Group, Inc.

The Society extends its congratulations to all of the newly elected officials.
— Joyce R. Hurwitz

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE VOTING MEMBERS OF THE SOCIETY OF MOTION PICTURE AND TELEVISION ENGINEERS

29 December 1995, 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 members of the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers, Inc., will be held at 2:00 p.m. local time, 29 December 1995, at SMPTE Headquarters Building, 595 W. Hartsdale Avenue, White Plains, New York.

The purpose of this meeting is to vote on proposed amendments to the Society's Bylaws. Discussions leading to the recommendation of these proposed amendments were had by the Board of Governors at its 19 May and 10 September 1995 meetings.

1. ELECTION OF INTERNATIONAL GOVERNORS

The Board of Governors, in order to have a wider international membership representation on its board, and to have direct election of those Governors by their constituency, recommends the following changes to the Bylaws.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

ARTICLE III. Sec. 1. Number and Term in Office

Amend to read: The Board of Governors shall consist of: (1) the elected officers; (2) the Past-President of the Society; (3) individuals elected by the membership as hereinafter prescribed; (4) not more than six Directors (See Administrative Practices Sec. III, D.10; E.8; H.16 and 17) appointed, two each by the Editorial Vice-President, the Engineering Vice-President, and the Sections Vice-President, subject to approval of the Board of Governors for a term of one year; (5) **two individuals elected** by the Board of Governors for a term of one year when in the opinion of the Board such additional members will more adequately represent the interests and activities of the Society's members. (The remainder of Section 1 is unchanged.)

Sec. 2. Subsec. A. Regions

Amend to read: For the purpose of representation on the Board of Governors, the membership is divided into Regions, each Region having no less than 500 members of any grade.

These Regions are as follows: (1) New York, (2) Southern, (3) Eastern, (4) Central, (5) Western, (6) Hollywood, (7) Canadian, (8) **Asia and Australia**, (9) **Europe, the Middle East, Africa, and Central and South America**. The Board of Governors will assign Sections to the Regions in which they are located geographically.

Sec. 2, Subsec. B. Representation

Amend to read: Each Region shall be represented on the basis of one Governor for each 500 members or fraction thereof, of any grade. No one section within a region shall have more than one Governor for each 500 Section members or fraction thereof, of any grade except by two-thirds vote of the Board of Governors. **Governors representing regions shall be elected by the voting membership in their respective region.**

Sec. 3, Subsec. A. Nominating Committee

Amend to replace the words "National Nominating Committee" by the words "SMPTE Nominating Committee."