

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 Teltcher, 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

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## 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."**

**Sec. 3, Subsec. B. Nominees**

**Amend to read:** The committee shall nominate one or more candidates for each office of the Society to be filled for the term beginning the following January 1. The Committee shall nominate at least two and not more than three candidates for each vacancy to be filled on the Board of Governors for the term beginning the following January 1. Individuals nominated must be in voting membership grades of the Society.

**Sec. 4. Approval of Nominations**

**Amend to replace the words "National Nominating Committee"** by the words **"SMPTE Nominating Committee"** in all instances.

**Sec. 6. International Governors**

**Amend by deleting, and renumber remaining Sections.**

**ARTICLE V, Soc. 2, Subsec. D. International Relations Committee.**

**Amend to read:** The President shall appoint at least three members to this committee. At least one of these members shall be from a country where there is a section of the Society outside the United States and Canada. All appointees must be voting members of the Society. The Committee shall advise the Board of Governors concerning matters involving the organizational relations of the Society with individuals or groups outside the United States and Canada. **The Committee shall also recommend to the Society Nominating Committee candidates for Governor in Regions 8 and 9.**

**2. STUDENT CHAPTERS**

The Board of Governors, on recommendation of Student Chapter Faculty Advisers, approved amendments to the Bylaws, in order to strengthen and give additional support to the Society's student chapters.

The proposed amendments are as follows:

**ARTICLE X. Sec. 1. Chapter Authorization**

**Amend to read:** Following a written petition for a student chapter, the Board of Governors of the Society may authorize student chapters at a college, university, or technical institute. This petition must be signed by a minimum of 12 SMPTE student members who are currently enrolled and in good standing at the educational institution (application for Society membership may be included with the petition); an adviser (an active or higher grade member); the dean; or the department head of the institution.

**Sec. 2. Student Chapter Membership.** Attendance at student chapter events shall also be open to interested nonmembers who are students at the institution, and guests, as space and campus policy allows.

**Sec. 2. Subsec. A. All members of the Society in good standing who are attending the designated educational institution shall be eligible for membership in the student chapter, and when so enrolled they shall be entitled to all privileges that such student chapter may, under the constitution and bylaws, provide.**

**Sec. 2. Subsec. B. Should the attendance of student chapter events fall to below ten, or the activity of the student chapter fall to fewer than four events in a school year, the Board of Governors may cancel the authorization.**

**Sec. 33. Chapter Officers. The officers of each student chapter shall be a Chairperson and a Secretary (not excluding holding both offices).**

**Each chapter officer shall hold office for one school year, or until his/her successor is chosen. The procedure for holding elections shall be by ballot vote during the first or second official meeting of the school year.**

**Sec. 4. Adviser. It shall be his/her duty to advise the officers of the chapter on its conduct and to approve its reports of activities.**

**Sec. 5. Chapter Expenses. Each student chapter shall be independently responsible for expenses incurred.**

**Sec. 6. Chapter Meetings. The chapter shall hold at least four meetings per year. The Secretary shall forward to the Executive Director, Sections Vice-President, Society President, and closest Section chairperson of the Society at least quarterly reports of all the activities for that period giving the subject, speaker, and attendance for each meeting or event.**

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.

October 16, 1995 Stanley N. Baron,  
President