



# Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Voting Members of the SMPTE

*New York City, New York, November 8, 1982*

The meeting was called to order by President Charles E. Anderson at 2:15 p.m. The Executive Secretary having in her possession 1272 signed proxies, a quorum was declared to be present in person and by proxy.

The proposed amendments to the Bylaws were read, and the meeting proceeded to vote on each. The text of the amendments and the total votes follow:

## 1. SECTION ELECTIONS

### **Bylaws Article IX, Section 5. Section Elections**

*Amend to read:* The officers and managers of a Section shall be voting members of the Society. All officers and managers shall be elected to their respective offices by a plurality of ballots cast by the voting and Associate members residing in the geographical area of the Section. Not later than the last Monday of February, nominations shall be presented to the Board of Managers of the Section by a Nominating Committee appointed by the Chairman of the Section, consisting of seven members, including a chairman. The Committee shall be composed of the present Chairman, the Past-Chairman, or a Former Chairman (if Past-Chairman is not available), two other members of the Board of Managers not up for election, and three other voting members of the Section not currently officers or managers of the Section. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee shall be the Past-Chairman of the Section when available or a Former Chairman of the Section. Nominations shall be made by a three-quarters affirmative vote of the total Nominating Committee. Such nominations shall be final, unless any nominee is rejected by a three-quarters vote of the Board of Managers, and in the event of such rejection the Board of Managers will make its own nomination. The Chairman of the Nominating Committee shall notify the candidates of their nomination. From the list of acceptances, not more than three names for each vacancy shall be selected by the Board of Managers and placed on a letter ballot. A blank space shall be provided on this letter ballot under each office, in which the name of any voting member other than those suggested by the Board of Managers may be written in. Appropriate space is provided in which to indicate a single choice of candidate for each office. Not later than the third Monday of March the ballots shall be mailed to each voting and Associate member of the Society residing in the geographical area covered by the Section.

The ballots which have been returned to the Secretary

at Headquarters in accordance with accompanying instructions before or on the last Monday of April shall be delivered to the Committee of Tellers appointed by the President. Said committee shall tabulate the votes not later than the Monday following the designated closing date for the poll. The election of candidates shall be by plurality vote and in case of tie, the choice shall be decided by lot. Announcement of the results shall be communicated promptly to the respective Sections.

The newly elected officers and managers shall take office on July 1 of the same year.

For: 1258

Against: 19

## 2. NOMINATING COMMITTEE

### **Bylaws Articles III, Section 3. Subsec. A. Nominating Committee**

*Amend to read:* Before the last Monday of March, the President shall appoint a Nominating Committee which shall consist of at least nine voting members of the Society. The Committee shall consist of the Past President or one former President, four members of the Board of Governors and four voting members at large. The President shall appoint one member to serve as Chairman of the committee. The President shall also appoint two (2) additional members as alternates who shall attend committee meetings but who shall vote only in the absence of one (or more) regular committee members. The first alternate shall be a member of the Board of Governors; the second, a voting member of the Society, who shall not be a member of the Board of Governors.

For: 1258

Against: 19

## 3. REVISIONS COMMITTEE AND SECRETARY

### **Bylaws Article IV, Section 10. Secretary**

*Amend to read:* The Secretary shall act as Chairman of the Revisions Committee. The Secretary shall keep a record of all meetings of the Society, the Board of Governors, and the Executive Committee. The Secretary shall be responsible for the maintenance of a membership roster. The Secretary shall have the custody of the records of the Society and the corporate

seal. The Secretary shall perform such other duties as may be required by these Bylaws or specified by the Board of Governors.

For: 1266                      Against: 11

4. DUTIES OF THE SECTIONS VICE-PRESIDENT

**Bylaws Article IV, Section 9. Sections Vice-President**

*Amend to read:* The Sections Vice-President shall be responsible for the coordination and administration of Subdivisions to ensure that their activities conform to the purposes set forth in Article II of the Constitution, and shall aid and assist Subdivisions by interpreting the Society's policy. As a member of the Board of Governors, the Sections Vice-President shall represent on the Board the sectional interest of all Subdivisions. He shall be responsible for aiding and furthering the formation of new Subdivisions.

For: 1265                      Against: 12

5. CHANGE IN REQUIREMENTS FOR LIFE MEMBERSHIP

**Bylaws Article I, Section 2. Subsec. G. Life Membership**

*Amend to read:* 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, or has been an Associate, Active and/or Fellow member for a total of at least 30 years; (3) has at least 5 years of continuous membership as an Associate, 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 or Associate will become Life Members.

For: 1209                      Against: 71

6. EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

**Bylaws Article V, Section 2. Subsec. A. Executive Committee**

*Amend to read:* The members of the Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Executive Vice-President, Past President, Engineering Vice-President, Editorial Vice-President, Financial Vice-President, Conference Vice-President and Sections Vice-President of the Society. Subject to direction by the Board of Governors, the Committee shall have all powers of the Board of Governors to transact business between meetings of the Board and shall have such other powers and duties as may be delegated to it by the Board. All transactions of the Committee shall be fully reported to the next scheduled meeting of the Board of Governors.

For: 1232                      Against: 45

7. INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP DUES

**Bylaws Articles VIII, Section 1. Amount of Dues**

*Amend to read:* Sec. 1. 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      | ..... Fifty dollars (\$50.00)   |
| Active      | ..... Fifty dollars (\$50.00)   |
| Associate   | ..... Fifty dollars (\$50.00)   |
| Student     | ..... Fifteen dollars (\$15.00) |

For: 1010                      Against: 267

8. TITLE CHANGE FOR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**Bylaws Article XIII. Executive Director**

*Amend to read:* Executive Secretary. The Board of Governors shall appoint an Executive Secretary who shall be employed by the Society on such terms and conditions as the Board shall determine. Subject to approval by the Board of Governors, the Executive Secretary may employ administrative, technical, or other specialists to serve the Society. The Executive Secretary shall be responsible to the Board of Governors for the operations of the principal and such other offices as the Society may maintain and shall be responsible to the Board for the supervision of other employees of the Society.

For: 1224                      Against: 52

**Bylaws Article V, Section 2, Subsec. E. Conference Committee**

*Amend to read:* Subsec. E. Conference Committee. The membership of this committee shall consist of the Executive Vice-President, serving as Chairman, the Conference Vice-President, the Editorial Vice-President, the Engineering Vice-President, the Sections Vice-President, and the Financial Vice-President, or in his absence the Treasurer, and the Executive Secretary of the Society serving as an ex-officio member. The committee shall maintain a continuing long range plan for scheduling, business arrangements, and subject matter of all regular SMPTE conferences. Sanctioning and coordination of scheduling of special, regional, or sectional conferences, jointly sponsored conferences or section meetings shall be the responsibility of this committee.

For: 1254                      Against: 21

There being no other business, the President called for a motion to adjourn. A motion was made, seconded, and passed, and the meeting declared adjourned at 2:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
M. CARLOS KENNEDY, *Secretary*