

Minutes Camera Cranes Working Group

The Sportsman's Lodge
12825 Ventura Blvd.
Studio City, CA 91604-2368
6 October 2003

Presiding chairman: Ed Clare; PERA; P; G

Co-chairman: Charles Huenergardt; Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.; P; MP

Members attending: Dennis McDonald; ISAIA & Co./Highrise Support Systems; P; MP
Louis Therrien; Production Safety Services; P; G
Kent H. Jorgensen; MPS Grips, Local 80; P; U
Paul Holehouse; Fireman's Fund Insurance Company; O; G
Jimmy Fisher; JL Fisher; P; MP
Charles Huenergardt; Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.; P; MP
Edward M. Smith; Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.; O; MP
Timothy Wade; IATSE Local 600; P; U
Nico Bally; Cranium Inc.; P; DR

Visitors: None.

1 Opening remarks

Ed Clare called the meeting to order at 12:15. He noted that a quorum was present.

2 Attendance and membership

An attendance sign-in sheet was circulated, and people were instructed to find their names on it and sign in.

2.1 Introductions of those present

2.2 Recognition of alternate voting members

There were none to recognize.

2.3 Requirements for membership

Ed Clare reminded the assembly that membership in this working group is open to all who are affected by the work of the group. Membership in ESTA or PERA is not a requirement. Voting members must attend meetings and will have their voting status changed to observer if they and their alternates together miss three meetings in a row. Voting members also must respond to letter ballots and may lose voting status if they consistently fail to vote.

2.4 Processing of new membership requests

There were none to process. It was noted that Jimmy Fisher has closed the Jimmy Fisher Company. He asked to be accepted as the principal member representing JL Fisher. This change was approved by a unanimous voice vote.

The full consensus body, including those not present was:

Name	Company	Representing (this is the sort field)	Voting status	Int. cat.
Charles Huenergardt	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	P	MP
Leonard Chapman	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	A	MP
Scott A. Howell	Cine Moves Inc.	Cine Moves Inc.	P	U
Nico Bally	Cranium Inc.	Cranium Inc.	P	DR
Ken Eddy	Filmair	Filmair	P	MP
Timothy Wade	IATSE Local 600	I.A.T.S.E. Local 600	P	U
Dennis McDonald	ISAIA & Co./Highrise Support Systems	ISAIA & Co./Highrise Support Systems	P	MP

Roy Isaia	ISAIA & Co./Highrise Support Systems	ISAIA & Co./Highrise Support Systems	A	MP
Jimmy Fisher	JL Fisher	JL Fisher	P	MP
John S. Leeward	Leeward Camera Systems	Leeward Camera Systems	P	U
Claus H. Boelter	Movie Tech LP	Movie Tech LP	P	MP
Kent H. Jorgensen	MPS Grips, Local 80	MPS Grips, Local 80	P	U
Rex Worthy	MPS Grips, Local 80	MPS Grips, Local 80	A	U
Joel Johnson	O Connor Engineering	O Connor Engineering	P	MP
Andy Romanoff	Panavision Remote	Panavision	P	MP
Ralf Przybilla	Panther	Panther	P	MP
Ed Clare	PERA	PERA	P	G
Louis Therrien	Production Safety Services	Production Safety Services	P	G
Robert Lynn	William F. White Ltd.	William F. White Ltd.	P	U
Mike Sinclair	William F. White Ltd.	William F. White Ltd.	A	U
Total			16	
By interest category			8	MP
			0	CP
			1	DR
			5	U
			2	G

3 Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting

Jimmy Fisher moved that the minutes of the previous meeting be approved as written. The motion was seconded. The motion was approved with a show of hands.

4 Call for patents

The following was read aloud to the assembly by Ed Clare

"ESTA intends not to publish any standard that contains protected intellectual property, unless that property can be licensed by anyone for a reasonable fee. ESTA uses a process of open patent and copyright disclosures to implement its intent. ESTA does not conduct patent and copyright searches and does not warrant that its standards contain no protected intellectual property.

"In keeping with the open disclosure policy, I ask if anyone present wishes to notify the working group of the existence of a patent, copyright, or other intellectual property that might protect material in a standard being developed by the working group. You need not be the holder of the patent or copyright in order to notify the working group of its existence."

No patent or copyright issues were brought to the attention of the assembly.

and Anti-Trust Statement

"The ESTA Board of Directors, the Technical Standards Committee, and the leadership of this working group will reject or nullify any actions that unlawfully restrain trade. Anyone who feels that such an action is being or has been taken is requested to bring that matter to the attention of the chair immediately. Anyone who feels that actions in restraint of trade have been taken and not properly annulled is requested to notify the TSC chair or ESTA president immediately.

"ESTA legal counsel has informed us that violations of the anti-trust laws can have serious consequences. Individuals engaged in certain unlawful conduct can be found criminally liable. An individual convicted of a criminal violation of the Sherman Act may be fined as much as \$100,000 and imprisoned for up to three years. An easy to read pamphlet describing restraint of trade issues is available from the Technical Standards Manager."

No restraint of trade issues were brought to the attention of the assembly.

5 Approval of agenda

Ken Jorgensen moved that the agenda be approved as written. The motion was seconded. The motion was approved with a show of hands.

6 Old Business

6.1 Crane operators handbook task group

There was a discussion of the revised text and the new illustrations.

Louis Therrien moved the handbook be sent to the TSC with a recommendation that it be made available for public review. The motion was seconded. The group voted by roll call ballot:

Name	Company	Representing (This is the sort field)	Voting status	Int. cat.	Yes	No	Abstain
Charles Huenergardt	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	P	MP	X		
Leonard Chapman	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	A	MP			
Scott A. Howell	Cine Moves Inc.	Cine Moves Inc.	P	U			
Nico Bally	Cranium Inc.	Cranium Inc.	P	DR	X		
Ken Eddy	Filmair	Filmair	P	MP			
Timothy Wade	IATSE Local 600	I.A.T.S.E. Local 600	P	U	X		
Dennis McDonald	ISAIA & Co./Highrise Support Systems	ISAIA & Co./Highrise Support Systems	P	MP	X		
Roy Isaia	ISAIA & Co./Highrise Support Systems	ISAIA & Co./Highrise Support Systems	A	MP			
Jimmy Fisher	JL Fisher	JL Fisher	P	MP	X		
John S. Leeward	Leeward Camera Systems	Leeward Camera Systems	P	U			
Claus H. Boelter	Movie Tech LP	Movie Tech LP	P	MP			
Kent H. Jorgensen	MPS Grips, Local 80	MPS Grips, Local 80	P	U	X		
Rex Worthy	MPS Grips, Local 80	MPS Grips, Local 80	A	U			
Joel Johnson	O Connor Engineering	O Connor Engineering	P	MP			
Andy Romanoff	Panavision Remote	Panavision	P	MP			
Ralf Przybilla	Panther	Panther	P	MP			
Ed Clare	PERA	PERA	P	G	X		
Louis Therrien	Production Safety Services	Production Safety Services	P	G	X		
Robert Lynn	William F. White Ltd.	William F. White Ltd.	P	U			
Mike Sinclair	William F. White Ltd.	William F. White Ltd.	A	U			
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Eight of 16 voting members voted "yes," and none voted "no" or "abstain." This was a unanimous vote in favor by the members present, but it did not constitute a supermajority of the working group, being not more than 50% of the total voting body.

The vote by interest category was 1:1 dealer or rental company (DR), 2:2 general interest (G), 3:8 mass-market producers (MP), and 2:5 users (U). Five mass-market producers and three users were not present at the meeting for this vote. There are no custom-market producers (CP) in this working group.

6.2 BSR E1.12 camera cranes standard project

Kent Jorgensen moved that he head a task force to draft a camera crane standard similar in design to the A92 series of standards, with the first draft of this to be completed by February 2004. The motion passed with a unanimous show of hands.

6.3 Camera Crane Maintenance Manual

There was no discussion and no action on this topic.

7 New business

None.

8 Other business

The was discussion of the leadership of the working group. The consensus of the working group was that the Technical Standards Committee should keep Ed Clare and Charles Huenergardt as the two co-chairman of the working group.

9 Schedule for future meetings

After some discussion April 20, 2004 was selected as the date of the next meeting to coincide with the NAB trade show. [NOTE: This has been changed. The meeting will now be about the time of Cine Gear Expo, which is scheduled for June 11 and 12, 2004 on the Universal Studios backlot. The exact date, time, and location of the working group meeting is to be determined.]

10 Changes of voting status due to lack of attendance

The attendance of the following voting members, who had missed the previous two meetings, were reviewed.

Scott A. Howell, Cine Moves Inc.

Nico Bally, Cranium Inc.

Roy Isaia and Dennis McDonald, ISAIA & Co./Highrise Support Systems

John S. Leeward, Leeward Camera Systems

Claus H. Boelter, Movie Tech LP

Nico Bally and Dennis McDonald were present, so they maintained their voting status. Ed Clare announced that Scott A. Howell, John S. Leeward, and Claus H. Boelter were now observers, since they had failed to meet the minimum attendance requirements for voting members.

11 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by acclamation at 15:00.

Camera Cranes Working Group Membership and Contact Information as of 2004-04-06

Name	Company	Representing (Primary sort field)	Voting status	Int. cat.
Kenneth Shore	ABC Products	ABC Products	O	MP
Warwick Hempleman	Applied Film Theory	Applied Film Theory	O	U
Brian Branigan	Brian Branigan	Brian Branigan	O	U
Charles Huenergardt	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	P	MP
Edward M. Smith	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	O	MP
Leonard Chapman	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	Chapman/Leonard Studio Equipment, Inc.	A	MP
Scott A. Howell	Cine Moves Inc.	Cine Moves Inc.	O	U
Nico Bally	Cranium Inc.	Cranium Inc.	P	DR
Constant Tresfon	Egripment B.V.	Egripment B.V.	O	MP
Boots	Egripment US	Egripment B.V.	O	MP
Ken Eddy	Filmair	Filmair	P	MP
Anatoliy Kokush	Filmotechnie International Corp.	Filmotechnie International Corp.	O	MP
Paul Holehouse	Fireman's Fund Insurance Company	Fireman's Fund Insurance Company	O	G
Denise Dimin	Fireman's Fund Insurance Company	Fireman's Fund Insurance Company	O	G
Robert P. Joyce	Fireman's Fund Insurance Company	Fireman's Fund Insurance Company	O	G
Daniel M. Mahoney	IATSE Local 52	I.A.T.S.E. Local 52	O	U
Timothy Wade	IATSE Local 600	I.A.T.S.E. Local 600	P	U
Mitch Lillian	Ichabod Crane Inc.	Ichabod Crane Inc.	O	U
Dennis McDonald	ISAIA & Co./Highrise Support Systems	ISAIA & Co./Highrise Support Systems	P	MP
Roy Isaia	ISAIA & Co./ Highrise Support Systems	ISAIA & Co./ Highrise Support Systems	A	MP
Jimmy Fisher	JL Fisher	JL Fisher	P	MP
John S. Leeward	Leeward Camera Systems	Leeward Camera Systems	O	U
Claus H. Boelter	Movie Tech LP	Movie Tech LP	O	MP
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Joel Johnson	O Connor Engineering	O Connor Engineering	P	MP
Andy Romanoff	Panavision Remote	Panavision	P	MP
Ralf Przybilla	Panther	Panther	P	MP
Ed Clare	PERA	PERA	P	G
Louis Therrien	Production Safety Services	Production Safety Services	P	G
Scott Taylor	Taylor & Taylor Ltd.	Taylor & Taylor Ltd.	O	G
Horst Burbulle	Technocrane	Technocrane	O	MP
Simon Jayes	Technocrane Ltd.	Technocrane Ltd.	O	MP
Colin Waters	TMB	TMB	O	G
Eckart Steffens	SOUNDLIGHT	VPLT	O	G
Robert Lynn	William F. White Ltd.	William F. White Ltd.	P	U
Mike Sinclair	William F. White Ltd.	William F. White Ltd.	A	U

Voting Status

- P Principal voting representative for a company or organization
- A Alternate voting representative for a company or organization
- I Individual representing no organization other than himself or herself
- O Observer; non-voting

Interest categories

- MP Mass-market producer (manufacturer) of camera cranes and related equipment
- CP Custom-market producer (manufacturer) of camera cranes and related equipment
- DR Dealer or rental company
- U User of camera cranes and related equipment
- G General interest in camera cranes and related equipment