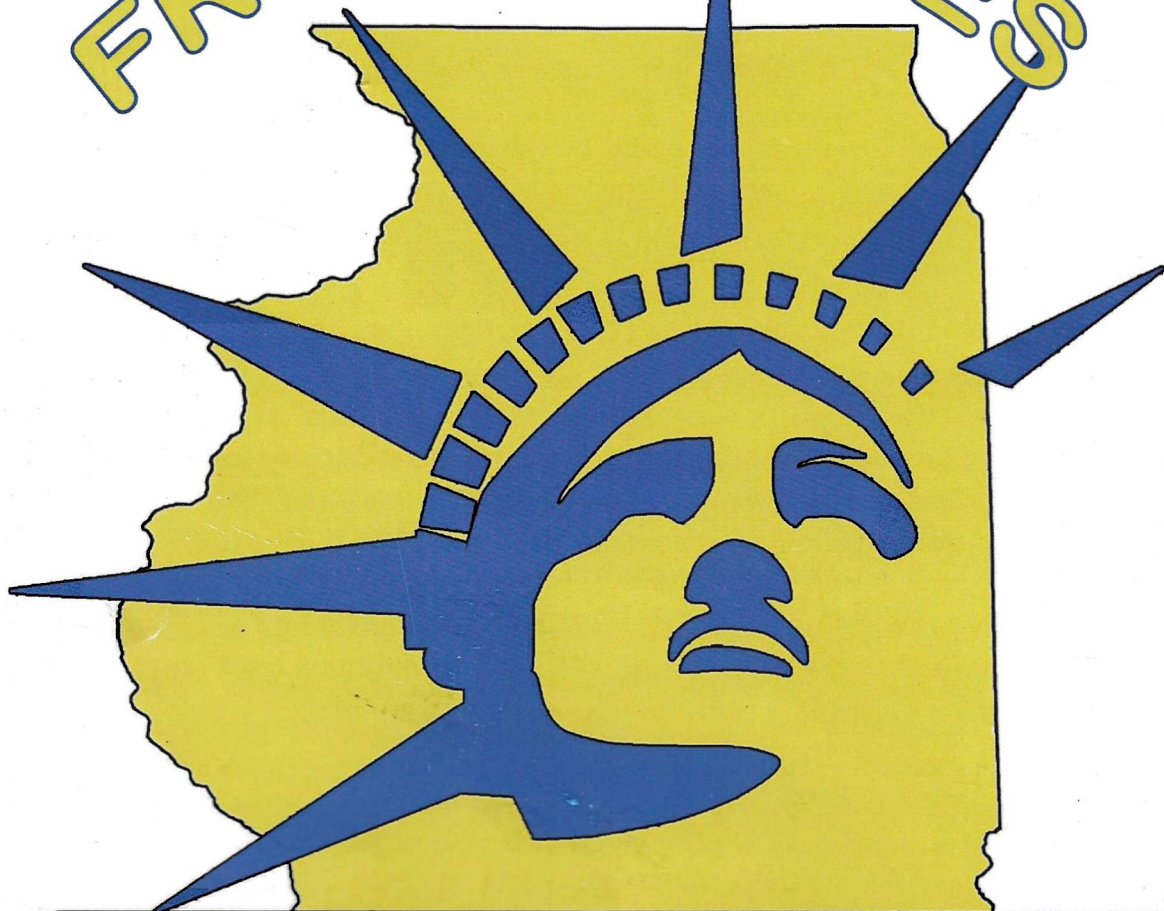
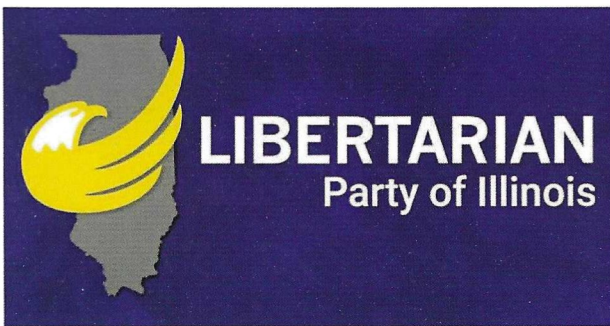


FREEDOM LIES



Libertarian Party of Illinois
2024 State Convention
Clarion Inn Elmhurst - Oak Brook
March 8th and 9th

IN BEING BOLD



“People will tell you that freedom lies in being cautious.

Freedom lies in being bold.”

- Robert Frost

On behalf of the Convention Subcommittee, we would like to welcome you to the 2024 Libertarian Party of Illinois State Convention. The committee has dedicated approximately 18 hours of meeting time over 26 meetings since January 2023 to produce this event. If this is your first state convention, we hope it is a memorable one and that you learn a lot and make new friends. If it is not your first one, we hope it is one of the best ones.

Special thanks to our sponsors, and to those who participated in our pay-to-play theme competition! 'Freedom Lies in Being Bold' was the winner, with 'Liberty IS a free lunch' and 'Liberty... to Help the Poor' tied for second place and \$250 raised overall.

We will call for volunteers for the next state convention planning committee at the end of the business meeting. Please consider volunteering; planning committees are a great way to build skills in teamwork and learn the particulars of committee meetings and Robert's Rules of Order.

From all of us, thanks for attending!

Bill Redpath, Libertarian Party of Illinois Chair

Justin Tucker and Geri Mulso, Convention Committee Co-Chairs

**Bob Blair-Smith II
Russ Clark
Blake Hanson
Donny Henry
Jim Humay
Danny Lewis
Kelly Liebmann
Ken Mattes
Amanda Parsons
Matt Piron
Ray Walden IV**

Convention Business Meeting Rules

For the sake of clarity, the terms “nominee” and “nomination” will refer to a person in official consideration to represent the Libertarian Party as a candidate via a nominating motion, a second, and an acceptance. The term “victor” and “victory” will refer to the person who is selected to be the Libertarian Party statewide or legislative candidate or national convention delegate.

Process for Nomination of Statewide Candidates

1. The Chair opens the floor for nominations to a specific office. **Please read the following “I have a notice for the body before we open the floor for nominations for Legislative offices. To be a member of the body to make motions, nominations, seconds, and vote, you must be a resident of Illinois and a member of the Illinois Libertarian Party 120 days prior to today and a resident of Illinois before the convention is called to order. This year, that date was November 10th, 2023. All Illinois Libertarian Party leadership positions shall be elected at the county conventions this year in accordance with Illinois state election law. Your county convention will be held 29 days after the Presidential primary in 2024. This year that date is April 17th, 2024. Please contact your county chair for the exact time and location for your county convention. To be eligible to vote at the county convention, you MUST be a precinct committeeman representing your precinct. If you are not currently a precinct committeeman and would like to be, please see Ken Mattes about becoming one for your precinct. If you wish to be a delegate or alternate to the National Convention in Washington, DC on May 23rd through May 26th, 2024, you must be a resident of Illinois, a member of the Illinois Libertarian Party AND a member of the National Libertarian Party as of Today, March 9th, 2024.”**

The Chair shall add: **“The LNC has awarded 33 delegates to Illinois. We use approval voting for selecting delegates which simplifies this process. Delegates will be added to the slate in order by the largest number of approval votes. This means nominee with the highest number of net “Yes” votes will be slated as Delegate 1, the second highest number will be Delegate 2 and so on. Those delegates with a positive vote total but not selected as a national delegate will be provided an opportunity to be an alternate for the convention. If you are unsure of a nominee or do not know anything about them, you may abstain by leaving their ballot line blank. Abstention does not affect their candidacy as only “Yes” or “No” votes are tallied. The delegation chair will be determined by the delegates at some time after the slate has been filled. The ballot order is determined by a rubric based on current party offices and candidates who are party members who stood for elections held in the past 10 years. NOTE: Delegates with a “No” vote total exceeding their “Yes” total are not eligible to be seated for the 2024 National Convention as a Delegate or Alternate.**

- The order of offices to nominated will be based on ballot position:
 - United States House of Representative (called by seat number)
 - Illinois Senate
 - Illinois House of Representatives
 - Delegate to National Libertarian Committee Convention (See Special Rules)
- NOTA (“none of the above”) is *always* a declared option when voting.
- Potential candidates must be physically present at the annual business meeting to accept a nomination.
- Nominees must be eligible to serve in the office being considered. Please note that candidates for Illinois Senate and House of Representatives are required to have lived in their district for 2 years prior to nomination.

- For the sake of time, please refrain from “gag nominations” or nominating people who are not serious about representing our party in that capacity.
2. Nominations
- Nominations will be made with no initial speech.
 - Seconds will be made without a speech.
 - The person being considered will accept or decline the nomination.
 - The Secretary will record the names of nominees who accept.
3. Nomination speeches
- If there is only one candidate (and NOTA) when nominations are closed, then proceed to the rules for Uncontested Races.
 - Contested Races
 - Nominating speeches will be granted in the order in which the nominations were accepted.
 - The person who made the initial nomination for that nominee may give a nominating speech no longer than 2 minutes.
 - There will not be time allotted to the person who seconded the nomination.
 - The nominee may give an acceptance speech no longer than 5 minutes.
 - Repeat until all nominees are granted nomination and acceptance speeches.
 - Uncontested Races
 - Nominees who are only running against NOTA are considered uncontested. Time limits are shortened for uncontested nomination speeches.
 - The person who made the initial nomination may give a speech no longer than 1 minute.
 - There will not be time allotted to the person who seconded the nomination.
 - The nominee may give a speech no longer than 2 minutes.
4. Creation and Distribution of Ballots
- The Secretary will call for the quorum from the Sergeant at Arms.
 - The Sergeant at Arms will identify the number of voting members present in the room and the number of votes needed for a victory.
 - Once the quorum is declared, it cannot be changed for that round of voting. Voting members will not be allowed to enter the room until ballots are submitted for that round of voting.
 - The Secretary will count out the number of ballots equal to the number of voting members declared by the Sergeant at Arms. The official ballots will be placed on the table in front of the Secretary for voting members to retrieve.
 - Each voting member must prove his or her voting credentials by showing his or her badge to the Secretary in order to be given a ballot.
 - Voting members may only retrieve one ballot and may not pick up a ballot for another voting member.
 - If a voting member is physically unable to retrieve a ballot, then he or she may notify the Chair to be delivered one.
5. Voting (Ranked Choice)
- The Secretary will project the list of eligible nominees on the screen.
 - The ballot will identify the office being considered and will list all candidates for the nomination. A NOTA checkbox will be offered on every ballot.
 - Please try to use the nominee’s full name to prevent any ambiguity in reading your selection.
 - Paper ballots may be used in the event electronic voting is unavailable.
 - Voting members shall rank the nominees they wish to vote for. A voting member may rank all or some of the nominees. If NOTA is selected, NOTA receives the rank of 1 and no other ranked votes are counted.

- 10 minutes will be allotted for voting from the time the first ballot is delivered. Pending administrative delays, the Chair may extend time in 5-minute increments at his or her discretion.
 - Any ballot not submitted to the Secretary by the time voting is closed will not be counted. The total votes required for victory as declared by the Sergeant at Arms will not change.
6. Counting Votes
- At the end of the time allotted or as soon as all ballots have been returned to the Secretary (whichever occurs first), the Secretary and Chair will count the votes in private and record the totals in a spreadsheet not being projected.
 - Candidates shall be tabulated by the number of first choice votes.
 - If no candidate receives a majority (over 50%) of the first-choice votes, the candidate receiving the lowest number of first choice votes is eliminated. The ballots of the eliminated are counted by second choice votes and credited to the respective candidate vote totals. This process is repeated until a candidate receives a majority of votes.
 - When the counting is complete, the Chair will announce the victor. The Secretary will then display the spreadsheet on the screen. Victory requires a simple majority once allowing for ranked choice votes of eliminated nominees.
 - If NOTA is the victor, then all nominees on that ballot immediately become ineligible for nomination to the office being considered, and the electing body will return to step 1 and open the floor to brand new nominations. No concession speeches are granted.
 - If a nominee is the victor, then the victor is granted an acceptance speech no greater than 1 minute. Victors of uncontested races are not granted an acceptance speech.
7. Repeat the process until all Legislative nominations have victors.

Process for nomination of National Convention Delegate Candidates

1. Nominations to the National Convention Delegation are made at the Membership Credentials table at the Illinois State Convention.
- To be eligible, nominees must be current members of the Libertarian Party of Illinois, current member of the Libertarian National Party, and residents of Illinois. Nominees should be confident in their abilities to attend and serve as delegates at the National Convention in Washington, DC on May 23 to 26, 2024.
 - Nominations may only be made by members of the Illinois state party that are eligible to vote at the Illinois State Convention in Elmhurst, IL on March 9, 2024.
 - Members that are eligible to vote at the State Convention may nominate themselves.
 - Nominees must be seconded by a member of the Illinois state party that is eligible to vote at the Illinois State Convention in Kankakee.
 - All nominating members and seconding members are requested be in attendance at the business meeting when the call for National Convention Delegates is made. Nominees must be present to accept their nomination unless he or she has delivered a statement of interest in writing to the Chair before the Annual Business Meeting is called to order.
 - Members that are eligible to vote at the State Convention are restricted to 3 nominations plus a self-nomination for themselves and 4 seconds. The nominee, nominator and second shall have their names recorded on a spreadsheet for record keeping. Those nominators and seconds with 3 or 4 nominations or seconds will be posted on a spreadsheet to ensure they do not exceed the 4 nomination or second cap.
 - Nominations must be recorded by the Credentials Committee or the Rules Committee at the Membership Credentials table to receive a ranked position on the ballot.

- At 30 minutes prior to the State Business Meeting being called, nominations to the National Convention Delegation close and the ballot is compiled. Candidates receive points for each activity and will be listed on the ballot by the total score from highest to lowest with a maximum score of 44. Credits for candidacy are awarded once even if the candidate ran multiple times in the past 10 years.
 - State Executive Committee membership status (10)
 - Board of Directors membership status (8)
 - Prior statewide candidate within past 10 years (8)
 - State Central Committee membership status (6)
 - Precinct Committeemen status (4)
 - Prior Legislative or local candidate within past 10 years (4)
 - Convention Committee membership status (2)
 - Experience as a prior National Delegate (2)
 - The Secretary shall present the ranked ballot nominees to the chair by putting them on screen.
2. The Chair opens the floor to nominations
- Ballot is shown on the screen with the existing nominees in the proper ballot order. All nominations from the floor will be listed at the bottom of the ballot regardless of eligible point total.
 - Members of the voting body may nominate themselves.
 - Nominees must be seconded.
 - Nominees must be present to accept their nomination unless he or she has delivered a statement of interest in writing to the Chair before the Annual Business Meeting is called to order.
 - To be eligible, nominees must be current members of the Libertarian Party of Illinois and residents of Illinois. Nominees should be confident in their abilities to attend and serve as delegates at the National Convention in Washington, DC on May 23 through 26, 2024.
 - A vote by acclamation is acceptable if there are no objections and the number of nominees does not exceed the seats allotted for the national delegation.
3. Creation and Distribution of Ballots
- The Secretary will call for the quorum from the Sergeant at Arms.
 - The Sergeant at Arms will identify the number of voting members present in the room and the number of votes needed for a victory.
 - Once the quorum is declared, it cannot be changed for that round of voting. Voting members will not be allowed to enter the room until ballots are submitted for that round of voting.
 - The Secretary will count out the number of ballots equal to the number of voting members declared by the Sergeant at Arms. The official ballots will be placed on the table in front of the Secretary for voting members to retrieve.
 - Each voting member must prove his or her voting credentials by showing his or her badge to the Secretary in order to be given a ballot.
 - Voting members may only retrieve one ballot and may not pick up a ballot for another voting member.
 - If a voting member is physically unable to retrieve a ballot, then he or she may notify the Chair to be delivered one.
4. Voting (Approval Voting)
- The Secretary will project the list of eligible nominees on the screen with a number assigned to each nominee.
 - The ballot will have the numbers representing each nominee and a “yes” and “no” checkbox for each candidate. The NOTA requirement is represented on the ballot by allowing the voter to select “no” for every nominee.

- Voters will select “yes” for numbers representing the nominees they would like to send as delegates to the National Convention. Each “yes” vote has a value of 1. A “no” vote represents a negative vote and has a value of -1. Voters may also choose to not check either box. The absence of a mark under either box carries a value of 0.
- Paper ballots may be used in the event electronic voting is unavailable.
- 10 minutes will be allotted for voting from the time the first ballot is delivered. Pending administrative delays, the Chair may extend time in 5-minute increments at his or her discretion.
- Any ballot not submitted to the Secretary by the time voting is closed will not be counted. The total votes required for victory as declared by the Sergeant at Arms will not change.

5. Counting Votes

- Nominees whose total “no” votes are greater than or equal to their total for “yes” votes are not selected as delegates and are ineligible to serve as delegates at the National Convention.
- Nominees who receive net positive “yes” votes are ranked by the number of net positive “yes” votes. However, if the number of victors is lesser than the number of delegates allotted to Illinois, then any nominees who receive net positive “yes” votes will be selected as delegates.
- If the number of nominees is greater than the number of delegates allotted to Illinois, then the votes will be ranked for each nominee. Nominees who have net positive vote totals but do not receive enough to be selected as a delegate will be considered an alternate delegate. If there is a tie for the final spot(s), then there will be tie breakers until the final spots are filled:
 - SEC membership status
 - BOD membership status
 - Prior Statewide Candidate Status
 - SCC membership status
 - Prior Legislative or local candidate Status
 - Precinct Committeemen status
 - Convention Committee status
 - Prior National Delegate status
 - Run-off ballot
 - Those who lose the tie breaker are still eligible to be alternates.
 - Secretary to list nominees remaining and delegate seats remaining on the screen.
 - Ballot will be created.
 - Voters select nominees equal to or less than the number of delegate seats remaining.
 - Nominees are ranked by the number of votes to determine victors.
 - Repeat until final spots are filled or NOTA prevails. If NOTA prevails in the tiebreaker, then all nominees can still be alternate delegates.
 - If repeat ballots are needed, then the nominee(s) with the lowest vote total(s) is/are excluded from the next round.

Friday March 8th, 2024 –

(Registration For Both Days Opens On-Site) At 5:00 P.M.

FREE AND OPEN TO ALL: No Registration Required

- 6:00 Welcome Reception
- 7:00 Libertarian 2024 Presidential Candidate Debate Forum

Limited Space, Registration Required:

- Hospitality Suite

2024 Libertarian Party Presidential Candidates



Dr. Charles Ballay M.D.
Physician



Jacob Hornberger
Political Scientist



Lars Mapstead
Entrepreneur



Mike ter Matt
Economist



Chase Oliver
2022 Senate Candidate



Art Olivier
2000 VP Nominee



Dr. Michael Rectenwald
Retired NYU Professor



Joshua Rodriguez
Computer Scientist

March 9, 2024

Saturday Agenda

Clarion Inn Elmhurst-Oak Brook

DAY TWO: (REGISTRATION REQUIRED)

Saturday March 9th, 2024 – Registration Opens At 9:00 A.M.

- **Property Tax Activism (Julie Fox)**
- **Immigration (Atty. Dan Robin, Prof. Fabio Rojas)**
- **Campaign Training (Russ Clark)**
- **Gun Rights In Illinois (Dan Eldridge, John Coyne)**
- **Petitioning For Ballot Access (Bill Redpath)**

Lunch Noon to 1:30 p.m. - With guest speaker Jeff Charles

1:30 p.m. LP of Illinois 2024 Business Meeting –

- **Business Meetings Agenda – see page 10**

4:30 p.m. Happy Hour

6:30 pm. Banquet - with keynote speaker Jo Jorgensen

8 p.m. Awards And Auction



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March 9, 2024

1:30 P.M. Business Meeting Agenda

Clarion Inn Elmhurst-Oak Brook

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Executive Director

Board Of Directors

Communications Director
Deputy
Social Media
Newsletter
PR
Broadcasting

Field Ops Director
Deputy
Campus Outreach
Volunteer
Membership
Activism
Precincts (odd years)
Chapter Development
Deputy Chap Dev

Political Director
Regional Deputies
Candidate Recruitment
Campaigns
Legislative
Ballot Access
Precincts (even years)

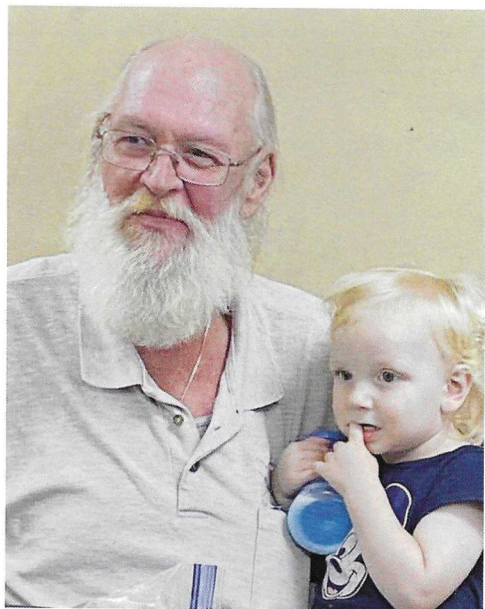
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State Central Committee

IL-1	IL-7	IL-13
IL-2	IL-8	IL-14
IL-3	IL-9	IL-15
IL-4	IL-10	IL-16
IL-5	IL-11	IL-17
IL-6	IL-12	

- 1 Attendance List
- 2 Credentials Report
- 3 Adoption of Agenda
- 4 Convention Committee Report
- 5 Chair State of the Party Report
- 6 Treasurer's Report
- 7 Division Reports
- 8 Election of National Delegates
- 9 Resolutions and Other Business
- 10 Call for next Convention Committee Volunteers
- 11 4:00 P.M. Adjourn Sine Die

In Memoriam



Bernie Behrens

May 9, 1963 – September 4, 2022



Maggie Kohls

July 12, 1946 – February 3, 2024



Fran Holt

1930 - December 14, 2021



Tim Wingate

October 14, 1953 – February 3, 2024

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POLITICAL DIVISION

Director: Jake Leonard
Deputy Director Cook/DuPage: Jim Humay
Candidate Recruitment: Vacant
Campaigns: Jon King
Legislative: Cody Graves
Ballot Access: William Redpath
Precincts: Vacant

IT DIVISION

Director: Bob Blair-Smith II
Deputy Director: Carter Mitchell
Operations: Kelly Liebmann
CRM Training: Derek Evans
Website: Vacant

STATE CENTRAL COMMITTEE

1st District: Jason Decker
2nd District: Vacant
3rd District: Danny Lewis
4th District: Ray Walden IV
5th District: Kevin Kauzlaric
6th District: Bob Blair-Smith II
7th District: Jim Humay
8th District: Julie Fox
9th District: Adam Balling

COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION

Director: Amanda Parsons
Deputy Director: Nathan Florey
Social Media: Vacant
Newsletter: Vacant
Public Relations: Vacant
Broadcasting: Vacant

FIELD OPERATIONS DIVISION

Director: Blake Hanson
Deputy Director: Lorraine DeNardis-Albert
Campus Outreach: Vacant
Volunteer: Lorraine DeNardis-Albert
Membership: Vacant
Activism: Vacant
Chapter Development: Paul DiMasi
Deputy Chapter Development: Vacant

10th District: Alexa Maffei
11th District: Jon Harlson
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13th District: Vacant
14th District: Vacant
15th District: John Phillips Jr.
16th District: Vacant
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NOTES

ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER CHEAT SHEET

To make motions, debate, and speak in general, stand and wait to be recognized by the Chair. A motion made and seconded brings the topic to the floor for discussion.

"Second" does not mean "agree". It simply means that at least two people want the topic brought to the floor for discussion.

When speaking, address the Chair. Be clear as to whether you are speaking in favor or against the motion being discussed. If you are confused and have a question, say "point of information". If you feel somebody is out of order, say "point of order". Reference the chart below to become familiar with types of motions

Debate the motion, not the people. Stick to facts and ideas when discussing. Avoid personal attacks and keep things civil.

If you are going to introduce a motion or amendment you should know exactly what you want to say. Write it down!

SPEAKER INTRODUCES MOTION

MOTION IS SECONDED

DEBATE MOTION

AMENDMENTS TO THE MOTION MAY BE MADE FOR ANY REASON. DEBATE AND VOTE ON THAT AMENDMENT

VOTE ON ORIGINAL MOTION:

Yea - In Favor

Nea - Opposed

Abstain - No Vote

These motions are listed in order of precedence. A motion can be introduced if it's higher on the chart than the pending motion.

PURPOSE:	YOU SAY:	INTERRUPT?	2ND?	DEBATE?	AMEND?	VOTE?
Close meeting	I move to adjourn	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
Take break	I move to recess for...	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
Register complaint	I rise to a question of privilege	Yes	No	No	No	None
Make follow agenda	I call for the orders of the day	Yes	No	No	No	None
Lay aside temporarily	I move to lay the question on the table	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
Close debate	I move the previous question	No	Yes	No	No	2 Thirds
Limit or extend debate	I move that the debate be limited to	No	Yes	No	Yes	2 Thirds
Postpone to a certain time	I move to postpone the motion to...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Refer to committee	I move to refer the motion to...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Modify wording of motion	I move to amend the motion by...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
Kill main motion	I move that the motion be postponed indefinitely	No	Yes	Yes	No	Majority
Bring business before the assembly	I move that (or 'to')	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
No order of precedence. These motions arise incidentally and are decided immediately						
PURPOSE:	YOU SAY:	INTERRUPT?	2ND?	DEBATE?	AMEND?	VOTE?
Enforce rules	Point of order	Yes	No	No	No	None
Submit matter to assembly	I appeal from the decision of the chair	Yes	Yes	Varies	No	Majority
Suspend rules	I move to suspend the rules	No	Yes	No	No	2 Thirds
Avoid main motion altogether	I object to the consideration of the question	Yes	No	No	No	2 Thirds
Divide Motion	I move to divide the question	No	Yes	No	Yes	Majority
Demand a rising vote	I move for a rising vote	Yes	No	No	No	None
Parliamentary law question	Parliamentary inquiry	Yes	No	No	No	None
Request for information	Point of information	Yes	No	No	No	None
No order of precedence. Introduce only when nothing else is pending.						
PURPOSE:	YOU SAY:	INTERRUPT?	2ND?	DEBATE?	AMEND?	VOTE?
Take matter from table	I move to take from the table	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
Cancel previous action	I move to recind	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	2 Thirds
Reconsider motion	I move to reconsider	No	Yes	Varies	No	Majority



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