District 4 DCM Bootcamp

September 1, 2020

Part I: Robert's Rules of Order

Part II: A.A.'s Third Legacy Procedure

Robert's Rules of Order in Area 15

| □Area 15 holds quarterly business meetings as an Area Assembly. |
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| ☐Motions pertaining to Area 15 business are presented. |
| □Area 15 uses Robert's Rules of Order* as a guideline for conducting business meetings. |
| □ Robert's Rules of Order sets out the parliamentary rules organizations can adopt as a guide for establishing the conduct of the organization and the management of its meetings.** |
| □Using Robert's Rules of Order helps the chairman ensure that the meeting moves along smoothly, equitably, and productively. |
| ☐A.A. guidelines provide for "substantial unanimity" and "minority opinion", which |

account for the primary modifications in our use of Robert's Rules.

^{*}Henry Martyn Robert served as a civil engineer in the U.S. Army, where he was called on to preside at meetings. He immersed himself in a study of the parliamentary law of the day and developed a pocket manual of parliamentary procedure published in 1876 known as *Robert's Rules of Order*.

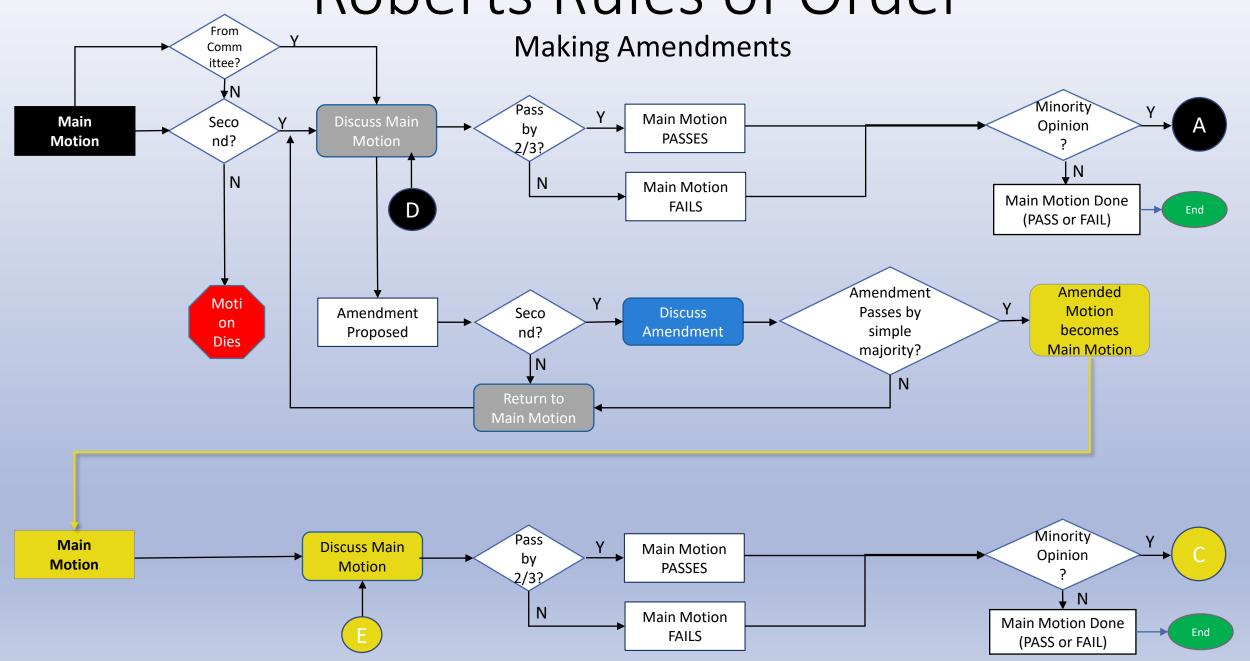
^{**}Source:Dummies.com

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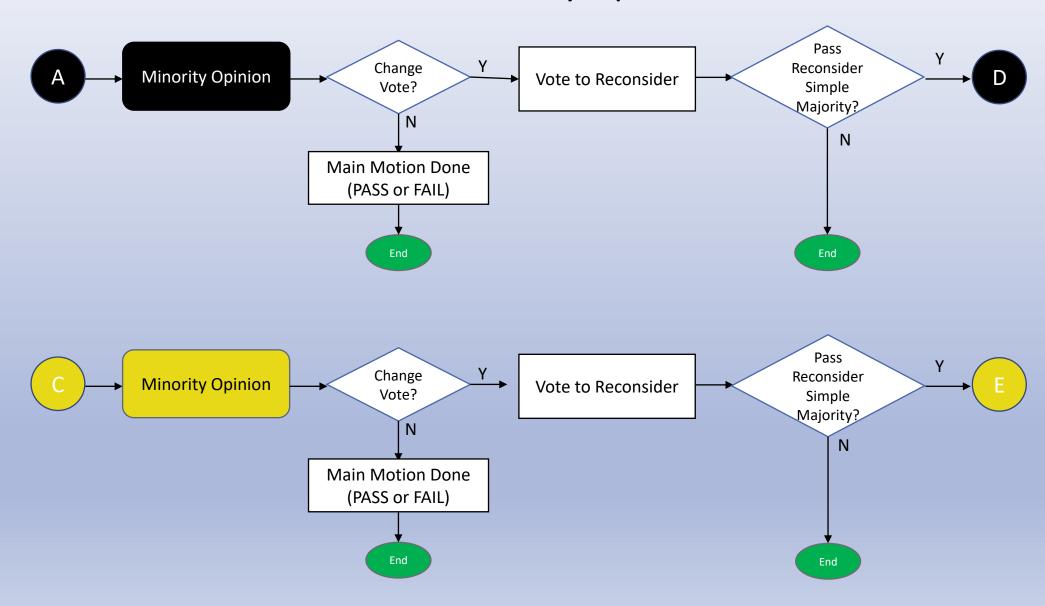
Robert's Rules of Order Ladder Pictorial

Motions may FIX THE TIME TO WHICH TO ADJOURN be proposed ADJOURN going up the RECESS OROTA OF MANING NOTIONS RAISE A QUESTION OF PRIVILEGE ladder. CALL FOR THE ORDERS OF THE DAY LAY ON THE TABLE PREVIOUS QUESTION **Motions** LIMIT OR EXTEND LIMITS OF DEBATE must be POSTPONE TO A CERTAIN TIME dispensed with in REFER TO A COMMITTEE reverse AMEND order, going POSTPONE INDEFINITELY down the MAIN MOTION ladder.

Roberts Rules of Order



Roberts Rules of Order Minority Opinion



Part II: A.A.'s Third Legacy Procedure

A.A. Third Legacy Procedure (page S21)

☐ A.A.'s Third Legacy Procedure is a special type of electoral procedure ☐ Unique to A.A. ☐ It has proved highly successful in eliminating the influence of factions or parties that seem to thrive on most political scenes. ☐ The railroading of a candidate for election is made difficult, if not impossible, since voters have a wide selection of candidates to choose from. ☐ A second-place candidate who may be extremely well qualified but without early popular support is encouraged to stay in the balloting rather than withdraw.

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The Third Legacy Procedure

BALLOT

Does one candidate have 2/3 majority of total vote?

Yes

Candidate with 2/3 majority is elected

No

Does one candidate have 2/3 majority of total vote?

Yes

Candidate with 2/3 majority is elected

No

Candidates with less than 1/5 of total vote are withdrawn [Top candidates and all runners-up must remain]

Does one candidate have 2/3 majority of total vote?

Yes

Candidate with 2/3 majority is elected

No

Candidates with less than 1/3 of total vote are withdrawn [Top candidates and all runners-up must remain]

Does one candidate have 2/3 majority of total vote?

Yes

Candidate with 2/3 majority is elected

No

The candidate with the smallest vote total is automatically withdrawn. [Top candidates and all runners-up must remains.]

Chairperson asks for motion to conduct a Fifth Vote Motion Defeated

GO TO THE HAT

Motion Passed (by simple majority)

5TH

Does one candidate have 2/3 majority of total vote?



Candidate with 2/3 majority is elected

No GO TO THE HAT

Area 15 Elections by Third Legacy Procedure October 2020

What Positions are up for Election?

- ☐ Service Committees
- ☐ Southeast Regional Trustee Candidate
- **□**U.S At-Large Trustee Candidate
- ☐ Delegate
- ☐ Alternate Delegate

- ☐ Area Chair
- ☐ Area Treasurer
- ☐Area Registrar
- ☐ Area Recording Secretary

Area 15 Elections in the Digital Age - October 2020

☐ First digital/remote Third Legacy □Who votes elections ■ Alternate Delegate ☐ Area Officers ☐ Similar to motion voting at July ☐ Area Standing Committee Chairs assembly (Alt. Committee Chair in their absence) □Classification of voters vs. non-☐ District Chairs (Alt. District Chair in voters their absence) □Outgoing Delegate chairs the □DCMs (ACM in their absence) voting assembly ☐GSRs (Alt. GSR in their absence)