



Annual Conference Standing Rules Virtual

1. The President shall preside at all business sessions of the Annual Meeting, except as provided for in the Bylaws.
2. The official language of the Annual Meeting is American Sign Language.
3. Credentialing will cease 10 minutes prior to the opening of the business meeting.
4. Members are requested to be signed into the virtual meeting at least 5 minutes prior to the start time of the meeting.
5. A representative of the Membership Committee or a board member shall report at the beginning of the Business Meeting the number of votes represented as determined by the total number of dual members credentialed.
6. The maker of the motion/resolution shall be allowed to provide rationale for the proposed action prior to the beginning of discussion. The President or designee may offer historical perspective, for member information.
7. Any member in good standing may participate in discussion by typing in the chat box, waiting to be recognized by the President, and stating the name and city or town of residence.
8. Members wishing to address a motion on the floor will state whether they are speaking in support or in opposition of a motion. To indicate a Point (order, question, information, or clarification) members are to indicate so by stating such, being identified by the President, and then stating the nature of the Point.
9. A maximum of six members, three in support and three in opposition to the motion/resolution on the floor, may debate each debatable item. Each member is allowed a maximum of two minutes for debate. A member may be recognized a second time to address the same issue, only if there are no other members desiring recognition to address the issue on the floor.
10. Voting will be done by raising hands and counting. Hands must stay raised until the President says all votes have been counted. Those certified members with two votes should sign the #2 to have both votes counted.
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