

The Supplemental Rules of Order for the 183rd Annual Meeting of Convention of the Diocese of Louisiana

The 183rd Annual Meeting of the Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Louisiana shall be conducted through use of an Internet meeting service designated by the President that supports anonymous voting and visible displays (i) identifying those participating, (ii) identifying those seeking recognition to speak, (iii) showing or permitting the retrieval of the text of pending motions, and (iv) showing the results of votes. This electronic meeting of the Convention shall otherwise be subject to all rules adopted by the Convention to govern its annual meeting, which may include any reasonable limitations on and requirements for members' participation. When in conflict with the Rules of Order of The Convention, these Supplemental Rules of Order shall prevail. This and any other such rules adopted by the Convention shall supersede any conflicting rules in *Roberts Rules of Order*. In addition, the following procedures shall apply:

- A. Voting shall be conducted using anonymous voting software accessible over the Internet to all delegates unless a different method available through the Internet meeting service is ordered by the President. An anonymous vote conducted through the designated voting software or through the Internet meeting service, shall be deemed a ballot vote, fulfilling any requirement in the Constitution or Canons or rules of order that a vote be conducted by ballot. Votes shall be deemed anonymous so long as votes cast by an individual are available only to the administrator of the voting system.
- B. Delegates shall identify themselves as required to sign in to the Internet meeting service, and shall maintain Internet and audio access throughout the meeting whenever present, but shall sign out upon any departure before adjournment.
- C. The presence of a quorum shall be established by the list generated by the Internet meeting service of those delegates who have logged on to the Internet meeting service.
- D. Each delegate is responsible for the audio and Internet connections necessary to participate; no action shall be invalidated on the grounds that the loss of, or poor quality of, a delegate's individual connection prevented participation in the meeting.
- E. The President may cause or direct the disconnection or muting of the connection of any participant if it is causing undue interference with the meeting. The President's decision to do so shall be announced during the meeting and recorded in the minutes. The decision to disconnect or mute is subject to an undebatable appeal that can be made by any delegate.
- F. In addition to display of pending motions or results of votes, video of the President and any delegate or participant currently recognized to speak or report shall be displayed throughout the meeting, as well as such other video displays as the President designates at the President's discretion.
- G. All amendments to the budget are subject to the following process:

- a. Any proposed amendment to the budget must be presented in writing to the Budget Committee no later than the Budget Hearing held at the pre-convention virtual meeting on October 13th.
 - b. Any proposed amendment to the budget must set forth the amount to be added or removed from a line item.
 - c. The Budget Committee has the authority to make the final determination to accept or reject the proposed amendment before bringing the proposed budget to the floor at the Annual Meeting of The Convention.
 - d. If a proposed amendment is not accepted by the Budget Committee, the Committee's determination may be appealed to The Convention when the budget is brought up for consideration at the Annual Meeting of The Convention.
 - e. A two-thirds vote of The Convention shall be required to take up an amendment to the proposed budget that was not first presented to the Budget Committee as set forth above.
- H. Any resolution filed for consideration by the 183rd Annual Meeting of Convention, other than Courtesy Resolutions offered at the close of Convention, shall be referred to the Executive Board, which may take up the resolution for consideration in the interim following the 183rd Annual Meeting or refer the matter for consideration at the 184th Annual Meeting of Convention.
- I. The procedure to be recognized for a motion, to seek the floor, to cast a vote, or for any other action by a delegate during the virtual meeting of Convention or at any pre-Convention meetings shall be governed by the attached instructions for using the features of the Internet meeting service to conduct business at the Annual Meeting of The Convention.