

Proposed 2020 Membership Business Meeting Rules

A motion to adopt these rules will be made shortly after 2020 Membership Business Meeting opens. Amendments may be offered at this time and require a majority vote. The rules as a whole require a majority vote for adoption.

1. **ADMISSION:** Admission to the 2020 membership business meeting shall be limited to persons who preregister and who are voting members of the League in good standing or specified guests (the parliamentarian and LWVOR president).

2. **QUORUM:** According to the LWVPDX Bylaws, Article VI, Section 3, "Fifteen percent (15%) of the membership as of January 1 of that year shall constitute a quorum at all business meetings of the Portland League." On January 1, 2020, the Portland League had 250 members; therefore 38 members in attendance shall constitute a quorum. Only members of the Portland League may vote.

3. **DEBATE:** Only League members shall have the privilege of the floor. A member who wishes to speak shall raise their hand to be recognized. The speaker shall address the chair, and after gaining recognition, state her/his name. Discussion shall be limited to two (2) minutes per speaker. During debate on a motion, a speaker FOR the motion shall alternate with a speaker AGAINST the motion. No member may speak more than once on that question until all others who wish to speak have done so.

4. **RESOLUTIONS:** Only courtesy resolutions are in order.

5. **MOTIONS:** When a member makes a motion, it shall be **written in the Zoom chat box**.

6. **VOTING:** A majority of those present and voting shall be required for the adoption of any motion, except when the Bylaws, Robert's Rules of Order or Oregon law specifies otherwise. A majority vote is more than half of the votes cast, ignoring abstentions, when a quorum is present. Members will vote by clicking on "Raise Hand" in the participants' side bar. Members participating by phone will push *9 (star 9) to "raise hand."

7. **MINUTES:** The minutes of this Business Meeting will be recorded by the Secretary, reviewed by an appointed Minutes Review Committee and approved by the membership attending the 2021 Membership Business Meeting or Local Convention.