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# **OFFICIAL CALL**

# FIFTY-FIRST ANNUAL MEETING

**OF THE** 

**OREGON ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS** 

ON THE

THIRTIETH DAY OF MARCH 2019, 9:00 A.M.

AT

THE CLACKAMAS BANQUET & CATERING CENTER

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It's hard to believe that a year has passed since our last annual meeting. In that time, we have gained some new members, and several folks have passed the RP examination. We congratulate Larry Taylor and

Tina Penman for their new certification.

Larry Taylor is working to charter a new unit. This one will be an e-unit, so those folks who are outside of the Portland Metro Area might want to look into joining. Reach out to Larry at Lawrence\_d\_taylor@yahoo.com.

Our annual meeting will focus upon doing our business using technology. Many organizations are using electronic meetings to connect folks for board and committee meetings. here are many platforms for this and we will discuss some of those. We hope to see many of you at the meeting on March 30th.

Alice Bartelt, OAP President

## **OAP Bylaw/Procedure Manual Changes**

On behalf of the OAP Bylaws/Procedure Manual Committee, Patricia Getchell, PRP-R, Chair, the following bylaw/procedure manual change is presented to the 2019 OAP Annual Meeting for consideration.

This serves as official notice.

### Amendment: To change the date of the annual meeting.

Amend Article VII: Meetings, Section 1. Annual Meetings, by striking out the words "on the third (3rd) Friday and/or Saturday."

<b>Currently Reads</b>	Proposed Amendment	If Adopted, Will Read
An annual meeting shall be held on the third (3rd) Friday and/or Saturday in March, at a place determined by the Board of Directors, for the purpose of electing officers and electing a nominating committee in evennumbered years, electing delegates and alternates to NAP conventions in odd-numbered years, receiving written reports of officers, chairmen of standing and special committees and unit presidents of their year's	An annual meeting shall be held on the third (3rd) Friday and/or Saturday in March, at a place determined by the Board of Directors, for the purpose of electing officers and electing a nominating committee in evennumbered years, electing delegates and alternates to NAP conventions in odd-numbered years, receiving written reports of officers, chairmen of standing and special committees and unit presidents of their year's	An annual meeting shall be held in March, at a place determined by the Board of Directors, for the purpose of electing officers and electing a nominating committee in even-numbered years, electing delegates and alternates to NAP conventions in odd-numbered years, receiving written reports of officers, chairmen of standing and special committees and unit presidents of their year's activities, and transacting such other business
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Rationale: Allows more flexibility in scheduling the Annual Meeting.

# Privileged Motions by Elaine Carlson, OAP Vice-President

Learning the precedence of motions is one of the cornerstones of our parliamentary learning, and we have all reviewed this often. Recently when studying these privileged motions, I ran across several points that stood out to me and are well worth sharing. Much of this article is a review, but it is good to revisit this information every so often, especially if you are or will be a presiding officer.

**Privileged Motions** do not relate to the pending business but deal with matters of such importance that they can, without debate, be allowed to interrupt the consideration of anything else. The ranking from lowest to highest is: *Call for Orders of the Day, Raise a Question of Privilege, Recess, Adjourn*, and *Fix the Time to Which to Adjourn*. Generally, the chair rules on the first two, and the other three are determined by a majority vote.

Call for Orders of the Day is a privileged motion by which a member can require the assembly to take up its proper business in order. The member simply calls "for the orders of the day." The chair can immediately announce as the newly pending business which was the subject for the call. Sometimes the chair can sense that the group prefers to continue with the business at hand, and the chair can put the matter to a vote. This requires a two-thirds vote. A point to remember is that the orders of the day as a whole cannot be laid on the table or postponed, but an individual order of the day when actually pending can be so disposed of. As soon as this step is handled, the interrupted business is taken up again at the point at which it was discontinued.

This motion, if brought up when no business is pending, is not privileged and is treated just like any main motion.

Raise a Question of Privilege permits a request or main motion relating to the rights and privileges of the assembly or any of its members be brought up for immediate consideration due to its urgency, even when business is pending. The member rises, addresses the chair saying that he "rises to a question of privilege," and the chair immediately directs the member to state the question of privilege. Then the chair rules

on that question. Often the matter can be taken care of informally, such as temperature of the meeting room, inability to hear, distracting noise in the room and the like.

Raising of the question of privilege is governed by the rules appropriate to the high ranking of this device in the precedence of motions. After the question of privilege is raised, and depending on the form in which it was raised, it is treated as a request or as a main motion which it is debatable, amendable and can have subsidiary motions applied to it.

**Recess** is a short intermission in the assembly's proceedings, after which the business is taken up exactly where it was left off. This motion does not adjourn a meeting. The privileged motion requires that the recess begin immediately even when business is pending. This motion is not debatable but is amendable as to the length of recess if this was not included in the motion. A motion to recess at a future time is not privileged and is in order only when no other question is pending. Also when this motion is made with no business pending, it is not privileged but is a main motion and handled by those rules. If a recess is provided for in an already-adopted program or agenda, the chair declares the recess when that time is reached. If the assembly wishes to continue pending business when the recess time is reached, it can be postponed by a two-thirds vote.

Adjourn is the motion to close a meeting. The motion to adjourn commonly used in meetings of a society is the privileged form, and it closes a meeting immediately. This motion is always privileged except: a) when it is qualified in any way, such as to time, b) when the time to adjourn is already set either due to an adopted program, order of business or by other rules, and, c) if the effect of the motion would be to dissolve the assembly with no provision for another meeting. If any of these three conditions are present, the motion to adjourn is not privileged and treated as any other main motion.

Fix the Time to Which to Adjourn sets the time and

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### **Annual Reports are Due**

OAP Officers, OAP Committee Chairs and Unit Presidents:

Please send written reports to the OAP President at <u>alicebartelt@comcast.net</u> by March 9th in order to be included in the OAP Annual Meeting Program.

Dear Oregon FBLA Supporters,

We at Oregon FBLA would like to thank you for your past support of the FBLA program. We hope you will be able to join us again this year as a judge at our annual State Business Leadership Conference for one or more of our sessions on the afternoon or evening of April 5th, and/or on the morning or afternoon of April 6th. The Parliamentary Procedures event is currently scheduled from 2:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 5th. There will also be opportunities to prejudge events as well. Go to: Oregon FBLA website <a href="www.oregonfbla.org">www.oregonfbla.org</a>, and click on the Judges and Partners Link or a more direct link is at <a href="http://oregonfbla.org/judges">http://oregonfbla.org/judges</a>.

Sincerely, Jessica Malan *Oregon FBLA* 

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# Next OAP Board Meeting TBA

### **UNIT REPORTS**

#### Cascadia eUnit

Oregonians who live outside the Portland Metro area now have the option of joining an electronic unit that meets virtually over the Internet. "We are delighted by being recognized by NAP," says Cascadia President Larry Taylor. "We hope this generates greater interest across the state in studying parliamentary procedure."

The founding members of the Cascadia eUnit are President Larry Taylor; Vice-President Ron Herbison, Vice-President; Secretary Keri Capen; Paul Betz-Templeman; and CJ Inman.

Information about joining the Cascadia eUnit is at the website for the Oregon Association of Parliamentarians, <a href="Oregonap.org">Oregonap.org</a>. The unit already has three provisional members signed up, of which two will be taking the NAP membership exam soon.

Larry Taylor, President

Deadline for articles in the April issue of *The Oregon Agenda* is April 14, 2019.

Email articles to **OAP Editor** 

The tentative annual meeting agenda and registration will be sent by email to the address that we have on record for each member at a later date.

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sometimes the place for another meeting to continue the business of the present session. It has <u>no effect</u> on when the present meeting will adjourn. This motion is privileged only when it is made while another question is pending. If this motion is made when no business is pending, it is a main motion and is subject to all those rules.

Please read *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* **Chapter VII Privileged Motions**, p. 219-246, for complete information on these motions.