

Special Rules of Order

48th District Democrats

Adopted January 14, 2015

Rule I. DUES

1. Annual membership dues for calendar year 2015 shall be forty-eight dollars (\$48.00).
2. Payment of dues via online transaction shall incur a three dollar (\$3.00) processing fee.

Rule II. RESOLUTIONS

1. All resolutions and motions not pertaining to organizational business shall be presented to the Chair in written form prior to their introduction from the floor.
2. Resolutions shall conform to *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* (11th ed.), §10, pp. 105-109 ("Motions Submitted in Writing; Resolutions," "Use of a Preamble," and "Details of Form and Variations in Resolutions").
3. It is recommended that the full text of a resolution (all preamble and resolving clauses) not exceed 250 words.

Rule III. ENDORSEMENT PROCEDURES

1. At any meeting for which endorsements have been given as an item for the agenda, the membership may endorse candidates for elected office or ballot measures. The call for the meeting shall include a list of candidates eligible for endorsement consideration.
2. Candidates requesting endorsement must do so at a regular meeting at least twenty-eight days prior to the meeting at which his or her endorsement shall be considered.
3. The EB or an endorsements committee may submit recommendations to the membership for endorsements. Such recommendations shall be considered prior to any other motions to endorse.
4. Candidate endorsements may be single or multiple for the same office. Multiple endorsements for the same office shall be approved as a single motion.
5. After the close of filing and before the primary election, candidate endorsements shall require a 2/3 vote.
6. After the primary election, candidate endorsements shall require a simple majority.
7. Endorsements supporting or opposing a ballot measure may be made after the measure has qualified for the ballot. Such endorsements shall require a simple majority.