ROBERT’S RULES of ORDER
NYS PTA CONVENTION 2019

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Agenda
-Tips for Delegates
-Problem Principles
-Problem Motions
-Problem Elections
-Problem People

Tips for Delegates
--Pay Attention, listen for your opportunity.
--Factual Question? Mic3 Keep it short.
--Debate? 2’ per speech; 10’ for motions, 30’ for resolutions.
--Bylaws Amendments: en bloc unless pulled. Limited changes.
--Resolutions: Retentions—yes/no only
          Updates—yes/no on proposed changes
          New—debate/amend/dispose
PROBLEM PRINCIPLES

--FORMALITY OF PROCESS AND LANGUAGE
--CHAIR’S IMPARTIALITY
--QUORUM
--PREVIOUS NOTICE: ABSENTEES vs. VOTING THRESHOLD
--POINT OF ORDER & APPEAL

PROBLEM MOTIONS

--RANK/PRECEDENCE
--AMEND
--METHODS OF VOTING
--PREVIOUS QUESTION
--TABLE

PROBLEM ELECTIONS

--NOMINATIONS: REQUIRED/EARLY
--INCOMPLETE ELECTION vs. VACANCY
--DISCARDED BALLOTS
--CONTESTED RESULT
PROBLEM PEOPLE

--“GADFLY”
--TIME LIMITS
--COMPLAINT w/o MOTION
--OFFENSE IN MEETING