

# PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE TEAM (550)

## -Secondary-

### REGIONAL - 2015

Judges/Graders: Please double check and verify all scores and answer keys!

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Teams will conduct the official BPA opening and closing ceremonies. Refer to the *Workplace Skills Assessment Program Guidelines* to obtain a copy of these ceremonies.

After the official opening ceremony, the chairman will ask for general consent to dispense with the reading of minutes, officer reports, and committee reports; the secretary will then read the first item of new business from the test/agenda. Once all the skills have been demonstrated, the team will conclude with the official closing ceremony. <u>The "Followed designated order of business" section of the Specification Points on the judges' scoring sheet relates to the test/agenda NOT the standard order of business as prescribed by *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised.*</u>

Up to five (5) minutes will be allowed each team for questions by the judges. These questions will be directed to the chairman for any team member to answer. The team members may caucus to determine the answer they wish to provide to the judges.

The items listed in this answer key are the order of new business for each subject listed. Each team will be limited to a maximum of 15 minutes for parliamentary demonstration to the judges. A warning card should be shown five (5) minutes before the maximum time and one (1) minute before the maximum time.

Each team member is allowed to use one 3" x 5" index card during the presentation. In addition, the secretary will use a blank sheet of paper to record the proceedings of the meeting in English, long hand for submission to the judges immediately after the presentation. The secretary will be permitted to use the contest agenda into the presentation room; this is to be submitted with the minutes. The parliamentary authority, *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* (Current Edition), or any other reference materials may not be used during the parliamentary demonstration. Please obtain the secretary's handwritten notes and contest agenda before the students leave the room. These notes will be verified for content only.

Items under "Abilities to be Demonstrated" may be rearranged within subject areas.

Use the Judge's Scoring Rubric/Rating Sheets to evaluate and score each team. Please doublecheck and verify all scores!

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Refer to <i>Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised</i> (11th Edition) for precedence of motions as needed.		Interrupt	Second	Debate	Amend	Vote	Reconsider
Su	bject/Abilities to be Demonstrated						
1.	Endorse a candidate for BPA state office						
	A. Main Motion		S	D	Α	Μ	R
	B. Object to Consideration of a Question	I*				2/3*	R (neg. only)
	C. Postpone Indefinitely		S	D		Μ	R (aff. only)
	D. Extend Debate (on pending question)		S		A	2/3	R* (if aff. only unexecuted part)
2.	Plan a BPA week activity						
	A. Main Motion		S	D	Α	Μ	R
	B. Refer to special committee		S	<b>D</b> *	Α	Μ	R*
	C. Reconsider	I*	S	<b>D</b> *		Μ	
	D. Point of Order	Ι				C+	
3.	Sponsor a game exhibit booth at the Winter Carnival						
	A. Main Motion		S	D	Α	Μ	R
	B. Previous Question (on amendment to amendment)		S			2/3	R*
	C. Amend (by inserting)		S	D	Α	Μ	R
	D. Amendment the amendment (by striking out and inserting)		S	D		Μ	R

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#### Meaning of Symbols

- # A main motion when no other motion is pending.
- $\mathbf{I}$  Is in order when another has the floor.
- S Requires a second.
- **D** Is debatable.
- A Can be amended.
- M Requires a majority vote (i.e., more than half the votes cast).
- 2/3 Requires a 2/3 vote (i.e., at least twice as many in the affirmative as in the negative); must be taken by a rising vote.
- $\mathbf{C}$  Usually no vote is taken. The chair responds.
- C+ No vote is taken. The chair decides.
- **R** Can be reconsidered.
- \* See *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised* (11th Edition) for specific rule. Consult index and tinted pages for further information and page references.



### **QUESTIONS BY THE JUDGES**

Up to five (5) minutes will be allowed each team for questions by the judges. These three questions will be directed to the chairman for any team member to answer. The team members may caucus. Questions will have reference to the abilities demonstrated during the event.

EACH JUDGE IS TO ASK THE SAME QUESTION(S) OF EACH TEAM. EACH TEAM MUST BE ASKED THE SAME NUMBER OF QUESTIONS.

1. What vote is required on the motion *Point of Order*?

ANSWER: It is ruled upon by the chair. If he submits the question to judgment of the assembly, it requires a majority vote.

2. What are the three <u>processes</u> for amending a motion?

ANSWER: A. To *insert* or to *add* B. To *strike out* C. To *strike out and insert* or *substitute* 

3. The motion *Objection to the Consideration of a Question* can apply to what type of motion?

ANSWER: Original main motion