National Association of Parliamentarians
37th Biennial Convention
September 11-September 14, 2009
Burlingame, California

MINUTES

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2009

Call to Order
The 37th Biennial Convention of the National Association of Parliamentarians (NAP) was called to order by President Connie M. Deford, PRP, at 1:30 p.m. in the Ballroom Salons A-E of the San Francisco Airport Marriott Hotel in Burlingame, California on Friday, September 11, 2009.

Opening Ceremonies
The posting of the colors was conducted by members of the 297th Area Support Medical Company, California Army National Guard. The assembly joined Gail Birch of Michigan, accompanied by Peggy Young of Missouri in singing "O Canada" and "The Star Spangled Banner." President Deford led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

President Deford introduced those seated at the head table: Giselle Miller, PRP; Scott Burns, PRP, President of the California State Association of Parliamentarians; Maurice Henderson, PRP, Director-At-Large and Bylaws Chairman; Robert Dolan, PRP, Treasurer; Jean Stallings, PRP, Convention Coordinator; Anne LeClair, Executive Director of the San Mateo Convention and Visitors Bureau; Sandra K. Olson, PRP, Secretary; Gail Ann Birch, Vocalist; Carl Silverman, PRP, Director-at-Large and Communications Chairman; Ann Guiberson, PRP, Director-at-Large and Educational Resources Chairman; Ronald R. Stinson, PRP, Vice-President; James Jones, PRP, President of AIP; and in the chair, Connie M. Deford, PRP, President.

Other Introductions
Also introduced were the other members of the NAP Board of Directors: District One Director, Carol Henselder, PRP; District Two Director, Michael Wagner-Diggs, PRP; District Three Director Gladys Reid, PRP; District Four Director Patricia Lewis, PRP; District Five Director, Medard Kaisershot, PRP; District Six Director, Ella Carlson, PRP; District Seven Director, Peggy Long, PRP; District Eight Director, Frank Fitzgerald, PRP; Standing Committee Chairmen: Registration Examiners John Rempel, PRP; Membership Examiners, Ruth Ryan, PRP; Professional Development, Chris Dickey, PRP; Youth, Virginia Berberick, PRP; Patricia Dolan, PRP; NAP Parliamentarian; Executive Director Sarah Nieft and staff, Deborah Montavy and Stefanie Luttrell.
NAP Past Presidents

Other Introductions
President Deford introduced Ann Rempel, PRP, National Parliamentarian Editor; Robert Dolan, PRP, NAP Webmaster; K. Ann McCartney, PRP, Leadership Conference Coordinator and Gloria Cofer, PRP, Assistant Leadership Conference Coordinator.

NAP Educational Foundation Board of Directors Introductions
The president introduced the NAP Educational Foundation Board of Directors: Dollie McPartlin, PRP, President; Gayla Stone, PRP, Vice-President; Patricia Dolan, PRP, Secretary; W. Craig Henry, PRP, Treasurer; and Trustees Alice Ragona, PRP and Michael Wagner-Diggs, PRP; and Connie Deford, PRP, ex-officio.

Authorship Team Introductions

In remembrance of 9/11, now known as Patriot’s Day, the assembly observed a moment of silence in recognition of the eighth anniversary of the 9/11 attacks and of the men and women who died that day. Gail Ann Birch and Peggy Young, PRP, led the singing of “God Bless America.”

Greetings
NAP Convention Coordinator Jean Stallings, PRP, welcomed the assembly to the NAP 37th Biennial Convention. The theme for the convention was “From Sea to Shining Sea.” Conference Coordinator Stallings introduced the Assistant Coordinator Marianne Haydon, PRP; Workshop Coordinator Chuck Nolan, PRP; and other committee members.

Sandra Olson, NAP Secretary, read greetings from The Honorable Barbara Boxer and The Honorable Dianne Feinstein, United States Senators representing the State of California.

Anne LeClair, Executive Director of the San Mateo Convention and Visitors’ Bureau, also presented greetings.

Welcome and Responses
Scott Burns, President of the California State Association of Parliamentarians, offered greetings. Giselle Miller presented the response from the National Association of Parliamentarians.
Greetings from the American Institute of Parliamentarians
James Jones, PRP, President of the American Institute of Parliamentarians greeted the assembly on behalf of the organization.

Recognition of Convention Volunteers
President Deford referred to the Convention Program in recognizing the contributions of all of the convention volunteers listed.

Gail Ann Birch and Peggy Young led the singing of “America the Beautiful.”

The assembly stood at ease at 2:08 p.m. to prepare for the business meeting.

Call to Order
President Deford called the first business session to order at 2:16 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom with Secretary Sandra Olson present.

Introductions
President Deford introduced those seated at the head table: Executive Director Sarah Nieft; Vice-President Ronald Stinson; Treasurer Robert Dolan; Technician Kay Crews; Secretary Sandra Olson; Director-at-Large Carl Silverman; Director-at-Large Maurice Henderson; Director-at-Large Ann Guiberson; Parliamentarian Patricia Dolan and in the chair, President Connie M. Deford.

Credentials Report
Credentials Committee Chairman Jackie Jacobberger moved adoption of the first credentials report as of 1:11 p.m.: Board of Directors 20; Chairman of Nominating Committee 0; Editor 1; Past Presidents of NAP 5; Association Delegates 137; Unchartered State/Provinces Delegates 4; Unit Delegates 107; Club Delegates 0; Youth Group Delegates 0; Number of Delegates entitled to vote 274; Number of non-voting Members and Guests 43; Total number in attendance--317.

Assembly Action: Credentials report adopted.

Convention Standing Rules
On behalf of the Convention Standing Rules Committee, Carolyn Stubbs moved adoption of the convention standing rules which were amended to read:

1. Delegates: Only delegates shall be seated in the delegate section of the assembly hall.
2. Badges: Identification badges issued by the credentials committee shall be worn for admission to all meetings and educational workshops. Badges may not be transferred without proper action by the credentials committee.
3. Minutes Approval Committee: The president shall appoint a committee of three to approve the minutes.
4. **Convention Committees:** The president shall appoint all committees for the functioning of the convention.

5. **Voting:**
   a) At the time of registration, the credentials committee shall issue the following to each delegate:
      i) **a green voting card.** If a delegate loses the voting card, the delegate must report to the credentials desk to obtain a replacement card.
      ii) **a blue keypad card.** The keypad card shall be exchanged for a voting keypad for business meetings. Voting keypads are not to be removed from the assembly hall. At the conclusion of a business meeting or when leaving the assembly hall for any other reason, a delegate shall exchange the voting keypad for a blue keypad card.
   b) When directed by the presiding officer, a delegate, while remaining seated, will vote by:
      i.) raising the green voting card, or
      ii) using the keypad.

Voting by either of these methods shall be deemed to be a division of the assembly. The presiding officer will direct any necessary change to these procedures, such as for a counted rising vote.

**Delegate recognition:**
   a) A page shall be assigned to each microphone for the purpose of notifying the presiding officer of the delegate’s intent and for advancing the microphone queue.
   b) A delegate wishing to speak shall go to any microphone and advise the microphone page of his or her intent so that the appropriate sign may be raised.
      i) **WHITE** when intending to make a motion.
      ii) **GREEN** when intending to speak in the affirmative on the immediately pending motion.
      iii) **RED** when intending to speak in the negative on the immediately pending motion.
      iv) **YELLOW** when intending to raise a point of information or to make a parliamentary inquiry.
   c) Upon recognition by the presiding officer, a delegate shall state his or her name and delegate status (unit, association, or member-at-large, and state/province/country).

7. **Debate:**
   a) For each debatable motion, a delegate shall be limited to two (2) speeches of not more than two (2) minutes each;
   b) Total debate on each bylaw amendment or main motion shall be limited to no more than fifteen (15) minutes.

8. **Motions/Resolutions:**
   a. All motions and amendments shall be written on an NAP Motion Form, signed by the maker, and given to a page for delivery to the presiding officer.
   b. An amendment to strike out one word or a set of words in multiple places and to insert a different word or a set of words in all of those places shall be in order, and shall be deemed to include appropriate modifications in capitalization, punctuation, number (singular or plural) and case.
9. New business:
a) Items of new business (motions or resolutions) shall be written on an NAP Motion Form, signed by the maker, and given to a page no later than the close of the business meeting on Saturday, September 12, 2009. The page shall immediately provide the item of new business to the parliamentarian who shall provide it to the resolutions committee.
b) The resolutions committee shall put in proper form all items of new business provided to it, so long as the intent of the motion or resolution is not changed.
c) Prior to the last business meeting, the resolutions committee may originate and draft its own resolutions for submission to the assembly.
d) With each motion or resolution presented to the assembly, the resolutions committee shall submit its recommendation for the disposition of that motion or resolution. The recommendation may be to:
   i) approve.
   ii) reject.
   iii) make no recommendation.
10. Candidate speeches: Immediately after nominations for elected officers, each of the nominees shall be given two (2) minutes to address the assembly.
11. Electronic devices: Mobile phones and pagers shall be placed in silent or vibrate mode during all business meetings and educational workshops. Video cameras and recording equipment, other than that approved by the president, shall not be permitted in the assembly hall or in the educational workshops.
12. Smoking: There shall be no smoking in the assembly hall, in the educational workshops, any meeting rooms, or at meals/receptions.

Assembly Action: Convention Standing Rules adopted by a two-thirds vote.

Convention Program Committee
Convention Program Chairman Murriel Oles moved adoption of the program as printed in the Convention Program with the announced changes, subject to necessary adjustments by the president.

- p. 17 Sunday workshops second item 4-5:30 p.m. Incidental Main (delete Maini);
- p. 18 Delete Welcome to City of Burlingame, Mayor Ann Keigahan;
- p. 18, Saturday inspiration Patricia Lewis (not Patricia Jones),
- p. 19, report of nominating committee, delete Ada Williams and insert Sandra K. Olson, Nebraska
- p. 20, Youth Committee Chairman, Virginia Berberick, Kansas (not Missouri);
- p. 18 Saturday September 12 and Sunday, September 13 (starting time is 9 a.m. not 9 p.m.)
- p. 19, Monday, September 14, 8 a.m. (not 8 p.m.)

Assembly Action: Convention Program adopted.

Convention Organization
The president announced that the 37th Biennial Convention of the National Association of Parliamentarians was officially organized for business.
Appointments
President Deford appointed the members to serve as the 2009 NAP Convention Minutes Approval Committee: Patricia Koch, PRP, Ohio, Chairman; Bobbie Healy, Washington; and Patricia Junkin, PRP, Tennessee.

President Deford announced that the appointments of other committee chairmen are listed in the Convention Program. She presented the following appointments: Timer Freddie Colston, PRP, DC, assisted by Loretta Tillery, DC, and Carol Henselder, PRP, New York; Spotters Doris Abbate, PRP, New York and Judy Edwards, Michigan; Chairman of the Pages Alverta Harty; Donna Thompson, PRP, Head Table Page; and Mark Schilansky, PRP, Chairman of the Floor Tellers.

Timers and Instructions for Recognition
Freddie Colston and assistants demonstrated the timing devices. Instructions for recognition were given.

Minutes Approval of the 2008 Annual Membership Meeting
The president thanked Joan Bundley, Chairman, PRP, and committee members, Gwendolyn Brown and Angela Karr for their assistance in approving the minutes of the Annual Membership Meeting held on September 13, 2008 at the Cavalier Hotel in Virginia Beach, Virginia. The minutes have been placed on file.

Election Rules
Elections Committee Chairman Eugene Coy, PRP, of Florida moved adoption of the election rules:

1. **VOTING CARDS.** At the time of registration, the credentials committee shall issue to each delegate a green voting card. If a delegate loses the voting card, the delegate must report to the credentials desk to obtain a replacement card.
2. **POLLS:** For the first ballot, the polls shall be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:45 a.m. on Saturday, September 12, 2009. If no candidate for a position receives the required vote, the NAP President shall determine and announce the polling times for additional elections.
3. **ELECTIONEERING:** No electioneering for any candidate shall be allowed in the vicinity of the polling place.
4. **BALLOTS:**
   a) Upon presentation and punching of a signed green voting card, a delegate shall be issued the following ballots:
   i) Officers. For each office, candidates nominated by the NAP Nominating Committee shall be listed first, followed by candidates nominated from the floor in the order nominated.
   ii) Nominating Committee. Candidates for the NAP Nominating Committee shall be listed on the ballot by district with the order determined by lot. Within each district,
candidates will be listed in the order nominated. The state or province for each candidate shall be shown on the ballot and in the tellers’ report. Each delegate may vote for one candidate in each district for a total of eight votes for the NAP Nominating Committee.

b) Spoiled ballots. If a ballot is marked in error, it may be returned to a designated member of the election committee who shall mark it “Spoiled” and issue a replacement ballot.

5. VOTE REQUIRED FOR ELECTION. In accordance with the requirements of the statute under which NAP is incorporated, any election shall require the affirmative vote of a majority of the delegates entitled to vote who are present and voting or a majority of the quorum, whichever is greater.

6. RECORDING THE VOTES. The election committee members shall act as teams assigned by the election committee chairman. When there is any doubt or disagreement about the marking of a ballot, it shall be set aside for consideration by the whole committee. A majority vote of the committee shall decide how the ballot is recorded. If, however, the ballot may affect the result, the election committee chairman shall notify the presiding officer, who will immediately submit to the assembly the question of how the ballot should be recorded.

7. PRESERVATION OF BALLOTS. Ballots, tally sheets, and calculator tapes shall be sealed and placed in custody of the executive director to be preserved for thirty (30) days, after which time they shall be destroyed if no election has been contested.

Assembly Action: Election Rules adopted as read.

Provisions in NAP Bylaws Relating to Nominations and Elections
Secretary Olson read pertinent provisions from the NAP Bylaws Article VI, Nominations and Elections, Section 1, F, G, and H. and Section 2. Election of Officers.

Nominating Committee Report
Secretary Olson read the report of the Nominating Committee:
President: Ronald R. Stinson, PRP
Vice President: Maurice Henderson, PRP
Secretary: Sandra K. Olson, PRP
Treasurer: Steve Glanstein, PRP
Directors-at- Large: Ann Guiberson, PRP
Mary Randolph, PRP
Carl Silverman, PRP

Nominations from the floor for elected officers:
President Deford called for nominations from the floor.
- Patricia Koch, PRP, OH for Treasurer
- James H. Stewart, PRP, CA for Director-at-Large.
- Carol Henselder, PRP, NY for Director-at-Large.

President Deford declared nominations closed for all offices. Each candidate was given two minutes to address the assembly.
Nominations for Nominating Committee
Secretary Olson read Article VI, Nominations and Elections Section 1. Nominating Committee A, B, C, D, E.

President Deford announced that members from the states/provinces of Texas, New Jersey, Virginia, Florida, Illinois, Kansas, British Columbia, and Arizona were ineligible to serve on the 2009-2011 nominating committee.

The following were nominated from the floor:
District One: Franzella Buchanan, PRP, PA
District Two: Freddie Colston, PRP, DC
District Three: Charlotte Buchanan, PRP, TN
District Four: Sarah Wells, OH
District Five: Dr. Leonard Young, PRP, MO
District Six: Alison Wallis, PRP, LA
District Seven: MaryAnn Tebedo, PRP, CO; Kevin Connelly, PRP, WA
District Eight: Gerald Olsen, PRP, CA

President Deford thanked the 2007-2009 nominating committee for their time and work and announced that the election will be held in Salon G, Saturday morning from 7:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Meet and Greet the Candidates
Meet and Greet the Candidates was held, Friday, from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. in the Salon F Foyer.

Keypad Voting
Nancy Sylvester, PRP, presented directions for the use of the keypads for voting.

Special Order at 4 p.m.—Keynote Address
Brigid McGrath Massie presented the keynote address, "Selling for People Who Hate to Sell.”

Credentials Report
Credentials Committee member Esther Heller moved adoption of the second credentials report as of 3:38 p.m. on September 11, 2009 which were corrected to read: Board of Directors 20; Chairman of Nominating Committee 0; Editor 1; Past Presidents of NAP 5; Association Delegates 147; Unchartered State/Provinces Delegates 7; Unit Delegates 127; Club Delegates 0; Youth Group Delegates 1; Number of Delegates entitled to vote 307; Number of non-voting Members and Guests 45; Total number in attendance—352.
Assembly Action: Credentials report adopted.

Announcements:
Jean Stallings, Convention Coordinator presented the following announcements:
1. Foundation finances from auction
2. Free internet explanation for the hotel
3. The meet and greet the candidates will be held in the Salon F Foyer from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m.
4. The dinner honoring past presidents will begin at 6:45 p.m. in Salon F.
5. District gatherings will begin at 9:00 p.m. and the rooms will be available until 11:00 p.m. this evening.
   District One – Salon A
   District Two – Salon B
   District Three – Salon C
   District Four – Salon D
   District Five – Salon G
   District Six – Salon H
   District Seven – Salon I
   District Eight – Salon J
6. Tomorrow morning, a continental breakfast will be available in Salon F from 6:30 – 8:30 a.m.
7. Voting will be conducted in Salon G from 7:00 – 8:45 a.m.
8. The bylaws forum will be held in Newport Beach/Irvine from 7:30 – 8:45 a.m.
9. The business meeting will resume at 9:00 a.m. in this room.
10. The NAP Sales Room is Marina Del Rey located on this floor just past the registration area. There are new educational materials available as well as convention specials.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 5:08 p.m. to reconvene at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, September 12, 2009.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2009

Call to Order

President Deford called the second business meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, September 12, 2009, with Secretary Olson present.

Introductions
President Deford introduced those seated at the head table: Convention Coordinator, Jean Stallings; Director-at-Large Ann Guiberson; Director-at-Large Carl Silverman; Treasurer Robert Dolan; Technician Kay Crews; Secretary Sandra Olson; Director-at-Large and Bylaws Chairman Maurice Henderson; Vice-President Ronald Stinson; Bylaws Management Team Member Betty Tunstill, PRP; Bylaws Management Team Member Ann Rempel; Parliamentarian Patricia Dolan; and in the chair, President Connie M. Deford.

Inspiration
Patricia Lewis, PRP, District Four Director presented the inspiration.
Memorial Service
Christine Dooley, PRP, of Georgia conducted the memorial service.

Recognition
The president thanked Phyllis Freeman Stewart of Texas, for contributing the bridge used in the convention business meeting sessions.

The president thanked the Florida State Association of Parliamentarians for sponsoring the Past President’s Dinner, and also thanked the Oregon State Association of Parliamentarians and Colorado Omega Cavaliers for sponsoring the Chinese Lion Dancers. Kim-See Teo, Singapore, explained the symbolism associated with the dance.

Recognition
President Deford asked convention first timers to stand and be recognized.

President Deford asked newly credentialed members and new PRPs (within the last two years) to stand and be recognized.

Student Interns
Margaret Lee representing the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), and Michael Izquierdo, representing Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) extended greetings on behalf of their respective organizations.

Credentials Report
Credentials Committee Chairman Jacobberger moved adoption of the revised credentials report as of 8:51 a.m. on September 12, 2009: Board of Directors 19; Chairman of Nominating Committee 0; Editor 1; Past Presidents of NAP 5; Association Delegates 152; Unchartered State/Provinces Delegates 8; Unit Delegates 131; Club Delegates 0 Youth Group Delegates 1 Number of Delegates entitled to vote 317; Number of non-voting Members and Guests 45; Total number in attendance---362.
Affirmative, 279; negative, 6
Assembly Action: Credentials report adopted.

Officer and Committee Reports
The NAP Officers’ reports were included in the Book of Reports.
NAP Treasurer Robert Dolan presented the financial report as directed by Article V, Section 5, D, 4. (see Appendix B) He related that slides of the financial report will be available on the NAP website.

The assembly stood at ease at 9:45 a.m.

Board of Directors Report
NAP Secretary Sandra Olson moved adoption of the following resolution on behalf of the NAP Board of Directors.

**RESOLUTION**

Whereas, Daniel H. Honemann, J.D., became interested in parliamentary procedure while serving on the board of the Maryland State Bar Association;

Whereas, He was tutored extensively by William J. Evans in preparation for serving on the Bar Association Board as secretary and parliamentarian from 1977 through 1984;

Whereas, Daniel H. Honemann founded the Maryland Lawyers Unit of the Maryland Association of Parliamentarians;

Whereas, A series of regular lunches with William J. Evans, discussing increasingly complex issues of parliamentary procedure, led to his assistance in the preparation of the 9th edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised;

Whereas, Mr. Honemann became a full member of the authorship team for the 10th edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised and a co-author of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised in Brief;

Whereas, Connected to his membership on the authorship team, but to a considerable extent more than his colleagues, Daniel Honemann has responsibility for moderating, and contributing on an almost daily basis, to the popular “Question and Answer Forum” on the Robert's Rules of Order Web site; and

Whereas, In accordance with Bylaws ARTICLE III, Section 1E, a nonmember who has given exceptional service to NAP or who has added distinction to the parliamentary profession shall be granted honorary membership by a two-thirds vote of the convention upon recommendation by the board of directors; now, therefore, be it

**Resolved,** That the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS® bestow honorary membership on Daniel H. Honemann, J.D., for the added distinction he has provided to the parliamentary profession.

Affirmative 241; negative 48
Resolution adopted by the required 2/3 vote.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, NAP Secretary Sandra Olson moved adoption of the following resolution which was amended to read:
Resolved. That the 2009 NAP Convention authorize the Bylaws Committee to prepare a revision of the NAP Bylaws for presentation to the 2011 Biennial Convention.
Affirmative, 222; negative, 60.
Resolution adopted after amendment.

Standing Committee Reports
The NAP standing committee reports and ethics report were also included in the Book of Reports.
The bylaws committee reported the following change to the committee’s report: p. 27, paragraph 3, approved the bylaws of “two” new associations.

Special Committee Reports
Henry M. Robert Recognition Committee
Chairman John Hohlbauch, PRP, Utah, presented the report from the Henry M. Robert Recognition Committee about the service of Lt. Henry Martyn Robert in the 1859 San Juan Island (WA) “Pig War.”

Executive Director Report
Executive Director Sarah Nieft presented the report.

Motion: To recess for 15 minutes
Affirmative, 122; negative, 128
Motion to recess lost

Motion: To recess for 5 minutes
Affirmative, 163; negative, 78
Motion to recess adopted. Meeting to reconvene at 10:52 a.m.

Without objection an addition to the list of deceased members: Darlene Cummings-Corley of Ohio was approved.

Motion: Amend Convention Standing Rule 7B by adding; “inclusive of any amendments and subsidiary motions. The 15 minutes will be calculated by adding the time consumed by delegate speeches.”
The previous question was called on amending convention standing rule 7B
Affirmative, 220; negative, 46
Motion adopted.

Affirmative, 149; negative, 116
Motion to amend Standing Rule 7B lost.

Point of order—on the announcement of the vote on amending a convention standing rule, questioning whether the vote required was a 2/3 vote or majority of entire body.
The point was well taken.
Directions for reading the bylaw amendment process were as follows: Add blue; secondary gray; strike out, red; secondary amendment, yellow.

Procedure for Consideration of NAP Governing Documents Amendments
Without objection, President Deford announced that since the amendments would be projected and a hard copy was included in the convention materials, they would not be repeated when stating and putting the question.

Report of the Bylaws Committee
Bylaws Committee Chairman Henderson moved on behalf of the committee that the Bylaws Chairman be authorized to correct article and section designations, punctuation, and cross-references, and to make such other technical and conforming changes as may be necessary to reflect the intent of the membership in connection with the proposed bylaws amendments considered at the NAP 37th Biennial Convention.
Affirmative, 261; negative, 8
Assembly Action: Motion adopted.

Motion: All amendments be referred to the revision committee.
Point of order—the motion to refer should have been ruled out of order.
The point was well taken, and the motion to refer was ruled out of order.

Chairman Henderson presented the following amendments:
PROPOSED AMENDMENT #1: OBJECT
Articles of Incorporation/Agreement. Article II. Object.
Amend by striking out “of the country” and inserting “throughout the world”

Motion: That proposed amendment #1 be amended by adding “of the United States of America.”
Motion ruled out of order—added words outside the scope of notice
Appeal from the decision of the chair
Affirmative, 226; negative, 47
Appeal sustained.

Point of order—there are not two reasonable positions, the ruling cannot be appealed. The point was not well taken and the decision of the chair sustained.

Without objection, the assembly extended the adjournment time of the meeting for the election results.

Report of the Elections Committee
Elections Chairman Eugene Coy presented the Tellers' Report:

President
Number of votes cast 295
Necessary to elect 148
Ronald R. Stinson, TX received 276
Maurice Henderson, MI  received  1  
Ann Rempel, KS  received  2  
Bob Dolan, WA  received  4  
Virginia Berberick, KS  received  1  
Dorothy Demarest, FL  received  1  
Betty Tunstall, DC  received  3  
Joy Myers, OH  received  2  
Craig Henry, OK  received  1  
Frank Fitzgerald, AZ  received  2  
Ann Guiberson, FL  received  1  
Illegal votes 1, over vote

Ronald R. Stinson was elected President.

Vice President
Number of votes  cast  295  
Necessary to elect  148  
Maurice Henderson, MI  received  278  
Carl Silverman, MD  received  10  
Freddie Colston, DC  received  4  
Ann Rempel, KS  received  1  
Chris Dickey, MO  received  1  
Craig Henry, OK  received  1  
Illegal votes 0
Maurice Henderson was elected Vice-President.

Secretary
Number of votes  cast  293  
Necessary to elect  147  
Sandra K. Olson, NE  received  282  
Charlotte Buchanan, TN  received  4  
Alison Wallis, LA  received  1  
Peggy Long, OR  received  1  
Chris Dickey, MO  received  2  
Patricia Dolan, MI  received  1  
Giselle Miller, AZ  received  1  
Mary Randolph, WA  received  1  
Illegal votes 0
Sandra K. Olson was elected Secretary.

Treasurer
Number of votes  cast  308  
Necessary to elect  155  
Steve Glanstein, HI  received  196
Patricia Koch, OH  received  111  
Steve Hicks, VA  received  1  
Illegal votes 0  
**Steve Glanstein was elected Treasurer.** 

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Illegal votes 0  
**Ann Guiberson, Mary Randolph, and Carl Silverman were elected Directors-at-Large.** 

Elections Chairman Eugene Coy reported the following election results for the 2009-2011 NAP Nominating Committee:  

| District Five – Number of votes cast | 249 |
| Necessary for election | 125 |
| Leonard Young, MO | received | 248 |
| Teresa Dean, MO | received | 1 |

Illegal votes 0  
**Leonard Young was elected to the nominating committee for District Five.** 

| District Seven – Number of votes cast | 260 |
| Necessary for election | 131 |
| Maryanne Tebedo, CO | received | 147 |
| Kevin R. Connelly, WA | received | 111 |
| Loretta Simonson, CO | received | 1 |

Illegal votes 1  
**Maryanne Tebedo was elected to the nominating committee for District Seven.** 

| District Three – Number of votes cast | 217 |
| Necessary for election | 109 |
| Charlotte Buchanan, TN | received | 216 |
| Robert Blair, TN | received | 1 |

Illegal votes 0  
**Charlotte Buchanan was elected to the nominating committee for District Three.**
District Two – Number of votes cast 246
Necessary for election 124
Freddie Colston, MD received 244
Henry M. Robert III, MD received 1
Illegal votes 1

Freddie Colston was elected to the nominating committee for District Two.

District One – Number of votes cast 241
Necessary for election 121
Franzella W. Buchanan, PA received 241
Illegal votes 0

Franzella W. Buchanan was elected to the nominating committee for District One.

District Eight – Number of votes cast 227
Necessary for election 114
Gerald Olsen, CA received 224
James H. Stewart, CA received 1
David Mezzera, CA received 2
Illegal votes 0

Gerald Olson was elected to the nominating committee for District Eight.

District Four – Number of votes cast 234
Necessary for election 118
Sarah M. Wells, OH received 234
Illegal Votes 0

Sarah M. Wells was elected to the nominating committee for District Four.

District Six – Number of votes cast 239
Necessary for election 120
Alison Wallis, LA received 239
Illegal votes 0

Alison Wallis was elected to the nominating committee for District Six.

Having received the most votes, Dr. Leonard Young was declared chairman of the nominating committee for 2009-2011.

Announcements:
1. Foundation leaders request members to take care of silent auction item purchases.
2. Convention Coordinator Jean Stallings made the following announcements:
3. The Youth Luncheon will begin at 11:45 a.m. in Salon F.
4. Workshops are scheduled for 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. and 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
5. The NAP Educational Foundation annual meeting will be held in Newport Beach at 5:30 p.m.
6. The California State Association of Parliamentarians convention will begin at 7:00 p.m. in Bayside II and III.
7. The NAP Sales Room is Marina Del Rey located on this floor just past the registration area. There are new educational materials available as well as convention specials.
8. Also make time to visit the vendors, conveniently located in the three rooms adjacent to the NAP Sales Room in Monterey, Santa Barbara, and Santa Clara.
9. Remember, these rooms are not open during business meetings.
10. For everyone else, tonight is a free evening. The trolley will take delegates into the City of Burlingame if it is desired to eat somewhere different.
11. For those wishing to attend, an Inspirational Service (Christian service) will be conducted in Bayside I tomorrow morning from 8:00 – 8:30 a.m.

Adjournment
The meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m. to reconvene on Sunday at 9 a.m.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2009

Call to Order
President Deford called the third business meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. on Sunday, September 13, 2009 with Secretary Olson present.

Inspiration
Past President Nola Pursiful, PRP, provided the inspiration.

Introduction
President Deford introduced those seated at the head table: Convention Chairman Jean Stallings; Director-at-Large Ann Guiberson, Director-at-Large Carl Silverman, Treasurer Robert Dolan, Technician Kay Crews, Secretary Sandra Olson, Bylaws Chairman Maurice, Vice-President Ronald Stinson; Bylaws Management Team Member Betty Tunstall, Bylaws Management Team Member Ann Rempel, Parliamentarian Patricia Dolan, and in the chair, President Connie M. Deford.

Youth Interns
Greetings were presented by Isha Mishra, Business Professionals of America; Michael Brode, Health Occupation Students of America; and Cody McPherson, SkillsUSA.

The president announced that Julie Coziw, Jayne Caron, Michael Brode, Cody McPherson, Michael Izquierdo are new NAP members.

President Deford thanked the California State Association of Parliamentarians for the California-shaped stress managers.

Credentials Report
Credentials Committee Chairman Jacobberger moved adoption of the revised credentials report as of 8:55 a.m. on September 13, 2009: Board of Directors 19; Chairman of Nominating Committee 0; Editor 1; Past Presidents of NAP 5; Association Delegates 152; Unchartered State/Provinces Delegates 8; Unit Delegates 131; Club Delegates 0; Youth Group Delegates 1; Number of Delegates entitled to vote 317; Number of Non-voting Members and Guests 80; Total number in attendance—397.
Affirmative, 283; negative, 1
Assembly Action: Credentials report adopted.

Continuation of Proposed Amendment 1
Articles of Incorporation/Agreement. Article II. Object.
Amend by striking out “of the country” and inserting “throughout the world”
Affirmative, 244; negative, 26
Amendment #1 adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #2: OFFICERS
Articles of Incorporation/Agreement. Article IX. Officers.
Amend by striking out “a president, a vice-president, a recording secretary and such other officers”
Affirmative, 247; negative, 35
Amendment #2 adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #3A: PRESIDENT-ELECT
Article V. Officers, Section 1. Elected Officers.
Amend by striking out “vice-president” and inserting “president-elect”
The assembly stood at ease at 9:47 a.m. and reconvened at 9:53 a.m.
Continuation of Proposed Amendment #3A: Proviso as amended: The candidate elected vice-president at the 2011 convention will assume the office of president-elect at the close of the 2009 convention.
Affirmative, 67; negative, 210
Amendment #3A lost.
Amendments #3B and #3C were not considered as a result of the vote on #3A

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #4: REINSTATEMENT
Article III. Members, Section 2. Reinstatement.
To amend by substituting (which was amended to last read)
Reinstatement.
Reinstatement shall be granted after the following are received within two years from the date of resignation or forfeiture: 1) request for reinstatement, 2) any applicable past and current annual dues, and 3) reinstatement fee.
After a registered member is reinstated, the member shall retain RP status.
If a professional registered member’s reinstatement is within the six-year period of the member’s qualification as a PRP, the member shall retain PRP status. If not, the member shall be reinstated as an RP."
Affirmative, 252; negative, 22
Amendment #4 adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #5: STUDENT DUES REDUCTION
Article III. Members, Section 3. Dues, C. Student Dues Reduction.
Amend by substituting “An individual who is a full-time student qualifies for a 50% reduction in dues for the individual’s membership classification.”
Affirmative, 208; negative, 72
Amendment #5 adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #6: NAP PAST PRESIDENT DUES
Article III. Members, Section 3. Dues, D. Past Presidents.
Amend by adding “Such privileges shall continue whether or not association dues have been paid.”
Affirmative, 115; negative 159
Amendment #6 lost.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #7: APPLICATION OF DUES TO FOLLOWING YEAR
Article III. Members, Section 3. Dues, H. Application of Dues to Following Year.
Amend by striking out “July” and inserting “August”

Motion: To refer the pending amendment and primary and secondary amendments to the bylaws committee. The motion to refer ruled out of order.
Point of Order: The motion should be ruled out of order because a commit motion cannot be made with a previously set time limit of 15 minutes debate time.
The point was well taken.
The previous question was ordered on all pending questions.
Affirmative, 195; negative, 85
Amendment #7 adopted as amended with the proviso that the amendment go into effect January 1, 2010.

Motion: To suspend the rules and allow a motion to commit.
The assembly stood at ease at 10:52 a.m.
Affirmative, 131; negative, 128
The motion to suspend the rules was lost. The rules were not suspended.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #8: APPLICATION OF DUES TO FOLLOWING YEAR
Article III. Members, Section 3. Dues, H. Application of Dues to Following Year.
Amend by striking out Article III, Section 3H in its entirety and renumbering the remaining paragraphs.
Affirmative, 116; negative, 147
Amendment #8 lost.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #9A: FISCAL YEAR
Article IV. Divisions, Section 3. Associations, E. Bylaws of an Association.
Amend by inserting “3. An association shall adopt NAP’s fiscal year as prescribed in Article XIV, Section 3, as its own fiscal year.” and renumbering the remaining items.
Affirmative, 252; negative, 20
Amendment #9a adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #9B: FISCAL YEAR
Article IV. Divisions, Section 5. Units, C. Bylaws of a Unit.
Amend by inserting “4. A unit shall adopt NAP’s fiscal year as prescribed in Article XIV, Section 3, as its own fiscal year.” and renumbering the remaining items.
Affirmative, 248; negative, 29
Amendment #9B adopted. A global change in fiscal year should be made by NAP Headquarters. The units and associations should file their own Form 990E with the IRS.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #10: NOMINATING COMMITTEE
Article VI. Nominations and Elections, Section 1. Nominating Committee, F. Duties.
Amend by substituting
“The nominating committee:
 a. shall hold a meeting no later than March 1 of the election year;
 b. shall consider all candidates for elected officers whose names are proposed by any NAP member and received by the committee by January 15 of the election year;
 c. may consider additional candidates during its deliberations;
 d. shall submit at least one name for each position to be filled.”
Affirmative, 248; negative, 26
Amendment #10 adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #11: CALL TO ANNUAL MEETING
Amend Article VII. Meetings, Section 1. Annual Meetings.
Amend by inserting “and rights” between “authority” and “of members.”
Stand at ease: 11:25 a.m. 11:25 back
Affirmative, 225; negative, 47
Motion to suspend the rules and allow the motion to be referred to the bylaws committee
Affirmative, 243; negative, 30
Proposed amendment #11 referred to bylaws committee

Announcements:
1. Martha Hughes is at the hospital and condition is unknown. Members are encouraged to complete their medical cards and carry them with them in their name badge.
2. Bayside 1 is the location of the nominating committee meeting following the luncheon today.
3. The Membership Awards Luncheon will begin at 11:45 a.m. in Salon F.
4. The plenary workshop with RONR Authors Henry M. Robert, III, and Thomas J. "Burke" Balch, will be held in this room at 2:00 p.m. Delegates will not want to miss this opportunity.
5. Additional workshops will be held from 4:00 – 5:30 p.m. in the meeting rooms listed in the convention schedule.
6. The NAP Sales Room is Marina Del Rey located on this floor just past the registration area. There are new educational materials available as well as convention specials.
7. Also make time to visit the vendors, conveniently located in the three rooms adjacent to the NAP Sales Room in Monterey, Santa Barbara, and Santa Clara.
8. Remember, these rooms are not open during business meetings.
9. There will be a reception for incoming President Ronald R. Stinson in the Junior Ballroom on the first floor—Anaheim, Irvine, and Newport Beach.

The meeting adjourned at 11:35 a.m. to reconvene at 8:00 a.m. Monday, September 14, 2009.

MONDAY, September 14, 2009

Call to Order
President Deford called the fourth business meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. on Monday, September 14, 2009 with Secretary Olson present.

Inspiration
Martha Hughes, RPRP, Alabama, presented the inspiration.

Introductions
President Deford introduced those at the head table: Convention Chairman Jean Stallings; Director-at-Large Ann Guiberson; Director-at-Large Carl Silverman; Treasurer Robert Dolan; Technician Kay Crews; Secretary Sandra Olson; Director-at-Large and Bylaws Chairman Maurice Henderson; Vice-President Ronald Stinson; Bylaws Management Team Member Betty Tunstall; Bylaws Management Team Member Ann Rempel; Parliamentarian Patricia Dolan; and in the chair, President Connie M. Deford.

NAP Educational Foundation
Dollie McPartlin, Immediate Past President of the NAP Educational Foundation introduced the Foundation scholars who have been serving as convention pages. The scholars are Alexander Cowen, Corwyn Hopke, Evan Lamoine, and Megan Montez. The new officers for the NAP Educational Foundation are: President Gayla Stone; Vice-President Patricia Dolan; Secretary Michael Wagner-Diggs; Treasurer Dollie McPartlin; Trustees W. Craig Henry; and Ron Stinson, representing NAP. The Foundation auction brought in $9,060. Beulah Sutherland, D, Leigh Wintz, VA, and Ann Guiberson, FL are also life members of the Foundation. An additional $1790 was acquired from the live auction.

Without objection, a recess was taken at 8:15 a.m. to auction the other foundation items. The assembly reconvened at 8:29 a.m.
Credentials Report
Credentials Chairman Jacobberger moved adoption of the following report as of 7:50 a.m. on September 14, 2009: Board of Directors 19; Chairman of Nominating Committee 0; Editor 1; Past Presidents of NAP 5; Association Delegates 153; Unchartered State/Provinces Delegates 8; Unit Delegates 131; Club Delegates 0; Youth Group Delegates 1; Number of Delegates entitled to vote 318; Number of non-voting Members and Guests 81; Total number in attendance---399.
Affirmative, 255; negative, 2
Assembly Action: Credentials report adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #12: CALL TO CONVENTION
Article VII. Meetings, Section 2. Conventions, A. Call to Convention.
Amend by substituting “The call to convention, giving notice of the place, date, and time of the convention, shall be published in the National Parliamentarian® and mailed to all members by July 1 of the convention year and, in accordance with the requirements of the statute under which NAP is incorporated, notice of the place, date, and time of the convention, including a description of the matters proposed to be approved by the delegates at the meeting, shall be mailed to the delegates no fewer than thirty nor more than sixty days before the meeting date.”
Affirmative, 163; negative, 92
Amendment #12 lost.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #13: CONVENTION DELEGATE ELIGIBILITY
Article VII. Meetings, Section 2. Conventions, C. Eligibility to Serve as Delegate.
Amend by substituting “C. Eligibility to Serve as Delegate. In accordance with Section 2B of this Article, units, associations, unchartered states and provinces, and countries may select any NAP member to serve as a delegate.”
Affirmative, 96; negative 159
Amendment #13 lost.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #14A: BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Article VIII. Board of Directors, Section 1. Composition.
Amend by striking out “eight district directors,”
Motion: To suspend the rules and refer 14A-14E to the 2009-2011 bylaws committee
Affirmative, 182; negative, 78.
By the 2/3 vote, the rules were suspended and consequential amendments 14A-14E, listed below, were referred to the 2009-2011 bylaws committee.
PROPOSED AMENDMENT #14B: BOARD OF DIRECTORS Article IV. Divisions, Section 2. Districts, C. Duties of the District Director. Amend by striking out “1. serve as a member of the board of directors;” and renumbering the remaining items.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #14C: BOARD OF DIRECTORS Article VII. Meetings, Section 2. Conventions, B. Voting Body. Amend by inserting “2. district directors;” and renumbering the remaining items.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #14D: BOARD OF DIRECTORS Article VIII. Board of Directors, Section 2. Duties, B. Duties of the Board of Directors. Amend item 10 by striking out “district director or”

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #14E: BOARD OF DIRECTORS Article IX. Executive Committee, Section 1. Composition. Amend by striking out “the district directors and”

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #15: EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Article IX. Executive Committee, Section 2. Duties, B. Other Duties. Amend item 4 by striking out “to be printed”

Motion: That Amendment #15 be amended by substitution; strike out “printed” and insert “produced” in bylaw Article IX, Section 2, Part B, item 4, 0345

Motion ruled out of order—prohibit motion to strike as it changes the form of the amendment and is outside the scope of notice to insert other words.

Appeal the ruling of chair.
Affirmative, 166; negative, 89

The decision of the chair sustained.
Affirmative, 233; negative, 25

Amendment #15 adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #16: ATTENDANCE AT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE Article X. Education and Training Conferences, Section 1. Leadership Conference, B. Attendance. Amend by striking out “two of its officers and one additional attendee” and inserting “three attendees, at least two of whom shall be officers of the association.”

Affirmative, 195; negative, 64

Amendment #16 adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #17: BUDGET-FINANCE COMMITTEE Article XI. Committees, Section 1. Standing Committees, B. Budget-Finance Committee. Amend by striking out “3. present the proposed budget, with recommendations, for adoption by the board of directors at the first meeting (post-convention) of the following biennium.” from
Article XI, Committees, Section 1B3 and inserting as new item 3 in Article V. Officers, Section 5. Duties of Officers, D. Duties of the Treasurer. and renumbering remaining paragraphs.
Affirmative, 246; negative, 5
Amendment #17 adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #18: BYLAWS COMMITTEE
Article XI. Committees, Section 1. Standing Committees, C. Bylaws Committee.
Amend item 7 by inserting “and existing” between “new” and “associations,”
Affirmative, 166; negative, 94
Amendment #18 lost.

Motion: To take a ten-minute recess.
Point of order—question the vote requirements. The point is not well taken.
Without objection, the motion was adopted. A recess was taken at 9:40 a.m.
The assembly reconvened at 9:50 a.m.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #19: PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE
Article XI. Committees, H. Professional Development Committee.
The original proposed amendment was amended to read, Amend item 2 by striking out “for
attaining and retaining the PRP classification,” and inserting “for attaining the PRP
classification; 3. be responsible for developing continuing education courses and in-service
requirements in lieu of the evaluation component for retaining the PRP classification;” and
renumbering the remaining items.
Affirmative, 149; negative, 102
Amendment #19 lost.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #20: BYLAW AMENDMENT DEADLINE
Article XVII. Amendment of Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws, Section 2. Convention
Action, A. Amendment with Notice before Convention.
Amend item 2 by striking out “March” and inserting “February.”
Affirmative, 239; negative, 20
Amendment #20 adopted.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #21: YOUTH GROUP DUES
NAP Standing Rule 3. Amend by substituting “3. Annual dues shall be: Regular Members
$65.00; Registered Members $88.00; Professional Registered Members $110.00; Retired
Registered Members $65.00; Retired Professional Registered Members $65.00; Clubs affiliated
before 1953 $82.00. This rule shall be subject to amendment only in accordance with Article III,
Section 3B of the bylaws. Youth Group annual fees shall remain at the 2007 rate of $27.00.”
Amendment #21 withdrawn with unanimous consent.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #22: DUES
NAP Standing Rule 3.
Amend by substituting
"3. Annual dues shall be: Regular Member $75.00; Registered Member $100.00; Professional
Registered Member $125.00; Retired Registered Member $75.00; Retired Professional
Registered Member $75.00; Youth Group $27.00; Club affiliated before 1953 $100.00. This rule
shall be subject to amendment only in accordance with Article III, Section 3B of the bylaws."

Motion: To suspend the rules and allow the speaker two additional minutes
Motion ruled out of order—not a debatable motion
Affirmative, 171; negative, 88
Amendment to Standing Rule #3 adopted.

Point of order: The vote required is a 2/3 vote for the amendment to the Standing Rule 3.
The point is well taken.
Amendment to Standing Rule #3 lost.

Motion: Reconsider the vote on the amendment to Standing Rule #3
Affirmative, 191; negative, 67
Motion under reconsideration

Motion: To extend debate 10 minutes
Without objection, amendment to the motion to extend debate adopted.
Affirmative, 188; negative, 74
Amendment #22 adopted after amendment.

PROPOSED AMENDMENT #23: MEMBERSHIP MANUAL
NAP Standing Rule 16.
Amend by substituting "16. There shall be a biennial membership manual which shall contain at
a minimum: A. Articles of Incorporation/Agreement, B. Bylaws, C. NAP Standing Rules, D.
Code of Ethics for Parliamentarians, E. Membership roster. The membership manual shall be
made available to all NAP members by April 15 of the year following the NAP Convention."

Motion: To amend scheduled hour of adjournment to 11:30 a.m.
Affirmative, 204; negative, 48
Time for adjournment is extended to 11:30 a.m.
Affirmative, 204; negative, 42
Amendment #23 adopted.

President Deford noted a change in the Convention Program: Utah was excluded from the
convention program. Carrie Dixon, is the president.

Invitation to 2010 National Training Conference:
National Training Conference Coordinator Medard Kaisershot, PRP, extended an invitation to attend the 2010 National Training Conference, August 27-29, 2010, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Motion: To amend the amount collected for the Go Green campaign” to $1447.82.”
Motion adopted with unanimous consent.

Biennial Convention 2011
Carol Austin, PRP, Biennial Convention Coordinator, extended an invitation to attend the 2011 Biennial Convention in St. Petersburg, Florida, September 23-27, 2011.

Appreciation for 2009 Convention Coordinators
President Deford thanked, on behalf of NAP and the convention attendees, the Convention Coordinator, Assistant Coordinator, and Workshop Coordinator for their hard work in making the convention a success.

Courtesy Resolution
Viola Brannan, Chairman of the Resolutions Committee, presented the courtesy resolution
The courtesy resolution was adopted. (See Appendix A)

Chris Dickey, Chairman of the Professional Development Committee, presented the following resolution.

Whereas, The National Association of Parliamentarians’ credentials are recognized internationally as representing high standards affecting individual members and the association as a whole;

Whereas, The National Association of Parliamentarians’ credentials should reflect knowledge and skill levels as determined by NAP members;

Whereas, Over the years, there has been discussion whether members who have passed the membership test should be granted the title of “Parliamentarian” and also if there should be a level between regular member and registered parliamentarian;

Whereas, The professional development committee recognizes that there may be alternatives to the current credentialing methods that would be more accessible and less expensive for the members while maintaining a high level of professionalism;

Whereas, The professional development committee recognizes that a comprehensive study needs to be conducted of the entire examination and credentialing process outside of the parameters of the professional development committee authority; now, therefore, be it

Resolved, That a special committee of five be appointed by the incoming president to perform an in-depth study and review and evaluate all aspects of the examinations and credentialing process
which currently provide for NAP membership and the registered and professional registered status; the committee shall report and make recommendations to the 2011 delegates having referred any necessary bylaw amendments to bylaws committee; and

Call for the orders of the day was made—delegates voted to proceed to the orders of the day. Resolution lost.

Announcements
Jean Stallings, Convention Coordinator, made the following announcements:
1. Installation banquet at 6:45 p.m. in Salon E-F with a cash bar in the foyer at 5:30 p.m.
2. Reception—following in Salons G-J. There will be no advanced seating assignments.
3. Convention pictures are available for $10, with advance order to Carol Belcher
4. Visit the vendors this afternoon.
5. Room changes were noted for the PDC and PQC.
6. Barbara Smith is the newest life member of NAP Educational Foundation.
7. A thank you was given for convention technical support.

Adjournment
Without objection, President Deford declared the meeting adjourned at 11:52 a.m. to reconvene at 6:30 p.m.

Monday, September 14, 2009, 6:45 p.m.

Call to Order
President Connie M. Deford called the fifth meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. on September 14, 2009, for the installation of officers. She welcomed everyone, introduced those at the head table, and presented closing remarks.

Inspiration
An inspiration taped by Amy Peterson, Michigan, was presented entitled “Crossroads, Kansas City Union Station.” Dr. Leonard Young also provided an inspiration.

Installation of Officers and Acceptance Speech
Kirk Overbey, PRP, installed the officers, directors-at-large, and the district directors. Incoming President Ronald R. Stinson gave his acceptance speech in which he outlined his theme of “Effective Meeting Management to the World” and goals for the 2009-2011 biennium.

Adjournment Sine Die
President Deford declared the 37th Biennial Convention adjourned sine die at 9:00 p.m.

Sandra K. Olson, PRP
NAP Secretary
Minutes Approval Committee:

Patricia Koch, PRP

Bobbie Healy

Patricia Junkin, PRP

Attachments:
A. Courtesy Resolution
B. Financial Report
Minutes Approval Committee:

Patricia Koch, PRP  

Bobbie Healy  

October 1, 2009  

Patricia Junkin, PRP  

Attachments:  
A. Courtesy Resolution  
B. Financial Report
Courtesy Resolution

Whereas, The National Association of Parliamentarians® 37th Biennial Convention is drawing to a close; and

Whereas, Scott Burns, PRP, President of the California State Association of Parliamentarians brought greetings and Giselle Miller, PRP, Arizona, responded with well-chosen greetings; and

Whereas, The 297th Area Support Medical Company of the California Army National Guard Unit presented the colors; and

Whereas, The Michigan Association of Parliamentarians sponsored the music for the opening ceremonies with Gail Birch singing and Peggy Young, PRP, accompanying her on the piano; and

Whereas, An outstanding, motivational presentation was given by keynote speaker Brigid McGrath Massie sponsored by the San Mateo Convention Bureau; and

Whereas, The members were pleased to welcome student interns and NAP Educational Foundation scholars, who served the convention as pages and in various other capacities; and

Whereas, The convention committee led by Jean Stallings, PRP and Marianne Haydon, PRP, has been successful in providing for the needs of the members and guests of members of The National Association of Parliamentarians; and

Whereas, President Connie Deford, PRP, and other officers and committee chairmen have presented interesting and informative reports on the activities of The National Association of Parliamentarians during the biennium; and

Whereas, The president has presided with dignity and demonstrated clearly the principles on which parliamentary law is based; and
Whereas, The San Mateo Convention & Visitors Bureau, Ann LeClair, Executive Director; and the San Francisco Airport Marriott Hotel Staff led by Vicky Shamiya, has been most gracious and helpful in providing adequate accommodations for guests and meeting rooms for convention sessions and other meetings, including the workshop sessions; now, therefore, be it

Resolved That the members hereby express appreciation to the convention committee members, and the president, the other officers and the committee chairmen for a most memorable convention; and

Resolved That we also express appreciation to the hotel personnel for the courtesies and amenities provided to the convention attendees; and

Resolved, That this resolution be included in the convention minutes and that copies be given to President Connie Deford, PRP, newly elected President Ronald Stinson, PRP; Convention Coordinator Jean Stallings, PRP; and also to Ann LeClair, Executive Director of the San Mateo Convention & Visitors Bureau; and Vicky Shamiya of the San Francisco Airport Marriott Hotel; and

Resolved That we also express appreciation and gratitude to all members and guests in attendance for making this convention a most memorable experience in promoting the objects for which THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS was organized.

Viola Brannen, RPRP, Chairman
David Shapiro, RP
Patricia Dolan, PRP
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS®
2007-2009 History

NAP began the new biennium with a new vision statement—To provide parliamentary leadership to the world—and a new mission statement—NAP is a society dedicated to educating leaders in effective meeting management through the use of parliamentary procedure.

The installation banquet was held at the Omaha Hilton, Omaha, Nebraska. Past NAP President Nola Pursiful installed the following officers for the 2007-2009 biennium: President Connie M. Deford, PRP; Vice-President Ronald R. Stinson, PRP; Secretary Sandra K. Olson, PRP; Treasurer Robert J. Dolan, PRP; and Directors-at-Large Ann Guiberson, PRP; Maurice S. Henderson, PRP; and Carl S. Silverman, PRP. Also installed were district directors for the 2007-2009 biennium: District One, Carol A. Henselder, PRP; District Two, Michael Wagner-Diggs, PRP; District Three: Gladys Reid, PRP; District Four, Patricia Lewis, PRP; District Five, Medard B. Kaisershot, PRP; District Six, Ella Carlson, PRP; District Seven, Peggy Joan Long, PRP; District Eight, Frank T. Fitzgerald, PRP.

The following committee chairmen were appointed by President Deford to complete the 2007-2009 NAP Board of Directors: Ruth S. Ryan, PRP, membership examiners; Chris Dickey, PRP, professional development; John Rempel, PRP, registration examiners; Steven Hicks, PRP, Youth. In accordance with the NAP bylaws, directors-at-large were appointed to chair a standing committee: Maurice S. Henderson, PRP, bylaws; Carl Silverman, PRP, communications; and Ann Guiberson, PRP, educational resources. By virtue of their offices, Treasurer Robert J. Dolan, PRP, served as chairman of the budget-finance committee, and Vice-President Ronald R. Stinson, PRP, served as the membership extension and retention committee chairman. Patricia Dolan, PRP, was appointed as the NAP Parliamentarian.

Sarah Nieft continued to serve as executive director throughout the biennium, assisted by staff members Deborah Montavy and Stefanie Luttrell.

Carl Silverman, Esq, PRP served as a valuable consultant and used his legal skills to assist with over twenty contracts and business documents during the biennium.

"NAP: The Bridge to Possibilities" was chosen by President Deford as the theme for the biennium.

The board of directors endorsed the strategic plan adopted during the previous biennium and approved the NAP Business and Implementation Plan. Three goals were identified in the strategic plan: education, marketing, and credentialing.

At the post-convention board meeting, the board of directors approved the bylaw amendments adopted by the convention body, in compliance with the Missouri Nonprofit Corporation Act. The board elected Carl S. Silverman, PRP, to the executive committee and Maurice S. Henderson, PRP, and Steven Hicks, PRP to the budget-finance committee. The president's nominees for the Ethics Committee were approved: Jim Slaughter, PRP, as Chairman; Alice Ragona, PRP, and Ardith Inman, PRP, elected to four-year terms. Appointments for unchartered state/province chairmen were also approved.
The board approved the NAP Standing Rule change adopted at convention that Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised (hard bound copy) and Robert’s Rules of Order Newly Revised in Brief would be sent as a memorial in honor of a deceased member to a public library or a school library designated by the constituent division or at the request of the family.

A substitute for NAP Standing Rule 3 was adopted providing the following dues structure: Regular Members $65; Registered Members $88; Professional Registered Members $110; Retired Registered Members $65; Retired Professional Registered Members $65; Youth Group $27; and Clubs affiliated before 1953 $82. The 2007-2009 budget was adopted.

A Board of Directors Resource Manual was introduced, providing general information, a copy of the strategic plan, schedules, financial information, NAP Bylaws, and board standing rules as well as tabs for financial information, agendas and minutes, and board reports.

A Memorandum of Understanding and Assignment, Assignment and Transfer of Copyright—Work for Hire, and Transfer of Copyright—National Parliamentarian (NP) were approved.

As a result of a referral from the convention body, an NAP Campaign Policy Committee was appointed: Carl S. Silverman, PRP, Chairman; Carol A. Henselder, PRP, and Chris Dickey, PRP. The committee’s recommended campaign policy was adopted at the March 2008 board meeting.

A letter of resignation from Daniel Lynch as webmaster was accepted in March 2008. The president’s appointment of Robert Dolan was approved to fill the unexpired term.

Over 200 NAP members gathered September 12-14, 2008, at the National Training Conference (NTC) held at The Cavalier Hotel, on the shore of the Atlantic Ocean, Virginia Beach, Virginia. Don S. Ayers, RP, served as Coordinator, and Laura Porter, RP, served as Assistant Coordinator. Michael Wagner-Diggs, PRP, served as the Workshop Coordinator. Mayor Meyera E. Oberndorf offered greetings from Virginia Beach.

A plenary session by T. Page Johnson, PRP, on the United States Electoral College was featured. Focus workshops highlighted the three strategic planning goals: education, marketing, and credentialing.

Brent Thoma, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, attended the NTC as the recipient of the NAP Educational Foundation scholarship. Nancy Sylvester was recognized at the annual meeting as the newest contributor to the NAP Planned Giving Program.

The first Leadership Conference (formerly the Conference of Presidents) was held prior to the NTC with 50 attendees. K. Ann McCartney, PRP, served as Coordinator and Gloria Cofer, PRP, as Assistant Coordinator.

The board of directors selected the greater Phoenix, Arizona, area for the 2012 National Training Conference.

During the biennium, three new units were chartered: Golden Triangle Parliamentary Unit, Texas; Rio Grande Valley Unit of Parliamentarians, New Mexico; and Spring/Klein Parliamentary Unit, Texas. Cornell Parliamentary Procedure Society Youth Group was chartered in New York. The Alberta Association of Parliamentarians was chartered as a new association. The charters of Iota Unit, Texas, and Veritas Unit, Texas were revoked.
Eight issues of the *National Parliamentarian* were published under the leadership of NP Editor Ann L. Rempel, PRP. The president’s newsletter, *The Possibilitarian*, was issued quarterly and distributed via the NAP Web site.

Educational materials produced during the biennium included *Rules for Electronic Meetings* and two publications in the *Pathways to Proficiency* series: *In My Opinion and What Was Done At The Meeting; Pathways to Proficiency* companion CDs, *Bylaws Writing Assistant, Script Writing Assistant*, and *Opinion Writing Assistant*. The consignment publications: *Assisting Special Needs in the Assembly, Parliamentary Procedure for Persons with Disabilities and the Elderly*, and *Basics of Parliamentary Procedure* were offered for sale through consignment agreements.

Three online courses were launched: *Minutes Made Easy, Parliamentary Procedure Made Easy, and Construction of a Successful Organization* (an advanced course on bylaws).

In accordance with strategic plan goals to offer educational material in a language other than English, a Spanish translation of the *13 Ranking Motions* card was prepared for publication.

The communications committee published a booklet, *Smart Strategies for Organizing a Public Awareness Campaign*, which was distributed at the National Training Conference and provided to all units and associations.

In a joint effort with the NAP Educational Foundation, the communications committee exhibited at the 2008 PTA National Convention. There were also NAP exhibits at the 2008 AARP National Convention, the 2009 National Business Education Association Convention, and the 2009 PTA National Convention. Local NAP members assisted committee members whenever possible. Through the communications committee, marketing materials were distributed to approximately 340 Tennessee secondary school and post-secondary school teachers.


The board of directors approved offering the membership examination online, with details of the process to be worked out by the membership examiners committee. Beta testing of the exam was conducted. NAP entered into an agreement with H. R. “Bob” Hall and the California State Association of Parliamentarians for the 300 Questions.org Web site.

The membership examiners committee processed numerous membership examination applications throughout the biennium, resulting in 806 new NAP members.

The registration examiners committee processed 119 examination applications, for a total of sixty-four new Registered Parliamentarians. A contract with Management Information Consultants was approved to permit the replacement of defective, lost, or destroyed media containing the 1200 *Registration Study Questions* as published at the time for the *(ParQuest)* software.

Thirty-one Registered Parliamentarians successfully completed the Professional Qualifying Course (PQC) and fifty-nine Professional Registered Parliamentarians successfully completed NAP History, 2007-2009
the Professional Development Course (PDC) during the biennium. The number of participants attending at least part of the PQC was 37. The number of participants at least part of the PDC was 69. Twenty-two PRPs were reclassified as RPRP. Two appeals regarding the Professional Development Course were processed. The executive committee granted the members successful completion status.

A letter of resignation from Steven Hicks as chairman of the youth committee and member of the budget-finance committee was accepted in mid-2009. The president’s appointment of Virginia Berberick to fill the unexpired term as chairman of the youth committee was approved. NAP continued its partnership with Business Professionals of America (BPA), Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), Phi Beta Lambda, Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA), Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA), and SkillsUSA. Interns representing these six student organizations at the NAP convention respectively were: Isha Mishra, Margaret Lee, Jacob Barreau (ill and unable to attend), Michael Izquierdo, Michael Brode, and Cody McPherson.

NAP Educational Foundation scholars selected to attend the 37th NAP Biennial Convention were: Alexander Cowen; Corwyn Hopke, PRP; Evan Lemoine, and Megan Montez.

The budget and fees for the 2009 Biennial Convention were approved which included use of keypad voting for all business meetings, advertising in the convention program, and sponsorships to offset the cost of the convention. A rule was adopted to allow vendors of non-parliamentary materials at national events. California was given permission to hold its annual convention in conjunction with the NAP Convention. Promotional material was displayed at convention and offered for sale through CafePress.

The Board Standing Rules were reorganized as the NAP Operational Policies and Procedures and are posted on the NAP Web site.

Trademarks for National Association of Parliamentarians®, National Parliamentarian®, and the NAP with mace design were renewed. Affidavits of continuous use were filed for the RP® and PRP® trademarks. Permission was granted to Threaded Needle Embroidery to use the NAP marks on articles of clothing for sale.

Michael Wagner-Diggs, PRP, was elected to a four-year term and Patricia E. Dolan, PRP, was elected to a two-year term on the NAP Educational Foundation Board of Trustees.

As the next step following the adoption of a records retention policy during the previous biennium, a records retention schedule was adopted and implemented. The NAP Leader's Handbook was developed by NAP Executive Director Sarah Nieft and is distributed when a change in association officers occurs.

Members of the board of directors served as NAP representative to associations and districts when requested.

A special committee was authorized to investigate streamlining NAP's governance structure to better address organizational issues and responsiveness to member's expectations and needs to include, but not limited to the following, 1) size and composition of the NAP Board of Directors, 2) the effectiveness and function of the NAP executive committee, and 3) efficiency and effectiveness of NAP's committee structure. The following presidential appointments were
approved: Ann L. Rempel, PRP, Chairman; Jim Slaughter, PRP, Nancy Sylvester, PRP, and Leonard M. Young, PRP.

At convention, the bylaws committee introduced 23 proposed amendments to NAP governing documents.

Annual dues were set at: Regular Member $75.00; Registered Member $100.00; Professional Registered Member $125.00; Retired Registered Member $75.00; Retired Professional Registered Member $75.00; Youth Group $27.00; Club affiliated before 1953 $100.00.

The 37th Biennial NAP Convention Coordinator Jean Stallings, PRP, Assistant Coordinator Marianne Haydon, PRP and Workshop Coordinator Chuck Nolan, PRP, and their committee members provided a very educational, welcome atmosphere for the convention attendees as they emphasized the convention theme, "From Sea to Shining Sea."

The following officers were elected for the 2009-2011 biennium: Ronald R. Stinson, PRP, President; Maurice S. Henderson, PRP, Vice-President; Sandra K. Olson, PRP, Secretary; and Steve Glanstein, PRP, Treasurer. Directors-at-large Ann Guiberson, PRP, Mary Randolph, PRP, and Carl Silverman, PRP. District Directors elected at their respective district conferences were: District One, William Starkey, PRP; District Two, Michael Wagner-Diggs, PRP; District Three, Gladys T. Reid, PRP; District Four, Patricia Lewis, PRP; District Five, Vera Chernecki, PRP; District Six, Ella Carlson, PRP; District Seven Gayla M. Stone, PRP; and District Eight, David C. Mezzera, RP.

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