



November Bonus Quiz

In answer to the November Quiz, the order of the six possible methods of nominating officer candidates is clearly designated on p. 431, ll. 9-15 of *RONR*. This is part of §46 Nominations and Elections. Similar information is also provided in §31 Motions Relating to Nominations on p. 288, ll. 8-20.

BUT BEFORE YOU GO TO THOSE PAGES, there is an anomaly: Our colleague and past-president of the California State Association, Lorenzo Cuesta, PRP, has pointed out that p. 288 only lists five methods for nominating - (a) thru (e) - and not six methods - (a) thru (f) - as indicated on p. 431. So which one is NOT listed and why isn't it there?

Answer from Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised 11th Edition:

The sixth - and last - method in order - (f) by petition - is on p. 431 but not on p. 288! Lorenzo queried NAP officers and authors on this very question, and the best answer received was that it was simply an oversight in leaving this sixth method off the shorter list, and that this would be corrected in future editions. There is nothing wrong, then, with proposing that an organization nominate its officer candidates by petition.

Thanks, Lorenzo, for your keen eye in pointing out this error. If anyone has questions on the wording or suggested improvements in the text for the 12th edition, let the authorship team know.

P.S. Check out Lorenzo's article in the *NP* Second Quarter 2015 on pp.10-11. It's an excellent article about a multiplicity of types of amendments and includes this very topic of methods of nominations being treated as if filling a blank.