



November Quiz

Scenario: An organization does not have a method for nominating potential officers specified in its bylaws and the group has adopted no rule on the subject. At the needed time to begin the process of nominations, the presiding officer asks the members present at a meeting what method of nominations they would wish to use. Six members made suggestions as to the method for nominating, which the presiding officer declared would be handled as filling blanks. The six suggestions were, in this order:

- a) I suggest nominations from the floor.
- b) I suggest nominations by a committee chosen for that purpose.
- c) I suggest nominations by petition of members.
- d) I suggest nominations by mail before the next meeting.
- e) I suggest nominations by ballot.
- f) I suggest that the chair simply nominates the best candidates.

In what order should the presiding officer put these six suggestions to be voted on (as if filling a blank), with the first to receive a majority becoming the group's method of nomination for this go-round?

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

The scenario and answer may be found in *RONR* on p. 431, ll. 9-19. This is followed up on pp. 431-438 with an explanation of the six different methods of nominating. Answer: When more than one method has been selected (up to all six methods), the order in which they should be voted on by the presiding officer is: (f), (a), (b), (e), (d) and (c).