## OHIO'S NAP MEMBERSHIP PROJECT WINTER 2024

In January and February 2024, the Ohio Association of Parliamentarians will host a series of six weekly one-hour lessons focusing on *RONR In Brief* (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.) and NAP's Membership Study Guide. The goal is that upon completing the course, participants will be prepared to pass NAP's RONR In Brief membership exam and become NAP members.

NAP's RONR In Brief membership exam is based on parts I-IV (chapters 1-11) of the third edition of *RONR In Brief* ("RONRIB3"). Here is the schedule of sessions and their content.

| Session | Date     | Chapter(s), topic(s)                                     |
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| 1       | Thu 1/18 | Plans and expectations, Q&A                              |
|         |          | 1: The "Why and Wherefore" of Meeting Rules              |
|         |          | 2: What Happens at a Meeting?                            |
| 2       | Wed 1/24 | 3: How Decisions Are Made at a Meeting: Handling Motions |
|         |          | 4: Debate  |
| 3       | Tue 1/30 | 5: Amendments  |
|         |          | 6: Postponing and Referring to a Committee               |
| 4       | Tue 2/6  | 7: How Can a Group Change Its Mind?                      |
|         |          | 8: Voting  |
| 5       | Wed 2/14 | 9: Nominations and Elections                             |
|         |          | 10: What Are the Basic Types of Rules?                   |
| 5       | Thu 2/22 | 11: How Are Rules Enforced and How Are They Suspended?   |
|         |          | Steps for applying, taking member examination, Q&A       |

Prior to each week's lesson, learners will read the assigned portion of RONRIB3. The group will examine the discussion questions from the NAP Study Guide, break for individual study of practice questions, and review the answers. Each lesson will be recorded: absent learners will be able to view the video and ask questions about it at the beginning of the following week's lesson. A sample plan of the time for each session is:

- 05 minutes Q&A from past lesson's video;
- 35 minutes concepts (pages 3-8 in the Study Guide);
- 10 minutes work period for practice questions self-test and self-score (pages 11-25 in the Study Guide);
- 10 minutes review of answers.

Although the lessons should be completed in an hour, leaders will be available for up to thirty additional minutes for learners who wish to stay for further Q&A or discussion.

## Links:

- To register, <u>click here</u>.
- For more information, email OAP Membership Chair Bill Lavezzi.
- NAP's membership page: <a href="https://www.parliamentarians.org/membership">https://www.parliamentarians.org/membership</a>. (You'll be able to download the membership application here.)
- RONR In Brief (3<sup>rd</sup> ed.)

  - o at NAP's bookstore: <a href="https://nap.users.membersuite.com/shop/store/3206a755-00ce-cb88-d848-d6045aef12b7/detail">https://nap.users.membersuite.com/shop/store/3206a755-00ce-cb88-d848-d6045aef12b7/detail</a>
- NAP's Study Guide: <a href="https://www.parliamentarians.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Membership-Study-Guide-3rd-In-Brief-rev2-formatted.pdf">https://www.parliamentarians.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/10/Membership-Study-Guide-3rd-In-Brief-rev2-formatted.pdf</a>.