

## **Special Order #1: Consent Calendar for the 171st Convention of the Diocese of California**

Finalized by the Committee on Dispatch of Business October 1st, 2020

The Committee on Dispatch of Business moves the unanimous adoption of the following Consent Calendar as the first item of business following the Report of the Committee on Dispatch of Business:

1. The Consent Calendar shall consist of the adoption of the following:

- a) **The Agenda of the 171st Convention of the Diocese of California, as published**
- b) **[Amendment to Article XI](#) - Replace “Diocesan Council” with “Executive Council”**
- c) **[Amendment to Canon 6.09](#) - Removal of Skills Registry**
- d) **[Amendments to Canons 11 & 12](#) - Notice and Virtual Meetings**
- e) **[Amend Rules of Order](#) - Eligibility to Submit Resolutions (Rule 1.1) and Task Force Resolutions (new Rule 1.2)**
- f) **Special Order #2, Report of the Committee on Resolutions**
- g) **Special Order #3, Report of the Committee on Canons**
- h) **Special Order #4, Budget & Financial Resolutions**
- i) **Special Order #5, Committee Reports**
- j) **Special Order #6, Reconsideration**
- k) **Approval of the Bishop’s appointments to the Commission on Ministry:**
  1. **Barbra Ruffin Boston**
  2. **Cameron Partridge**
  3. **Davey Gerhard**
- l) **[Resolution #2 - Climate Change - Carbon-Intensive Lending](#)**
- m) **[Resolution #4 - Financial Reporting Transparency](#)**

2. Provided that, if any member requests that any of the above matters be removed from the Consent Calendar, the President shall order that matter removed and placed in the Agenda at a suitable time.

3. And provided that, after the President has announced the adoption of this Special Order, any such requests for removal of matters from the Consent Calendar shall be out of order.

## **Special Order #2: Committee on Resolutions**

The Committee on Dispatch of Business moves that the Report of the Committee on Resolutions be governed by the following Special Order:

1. The Committee shall have five minutes to file with the Convention those resolutions which have been considered by the Deaneries (Rule 1.3), and received any amendments thereto.
2. Opportunity then shall be given for members of Convention to seek 2/3 consent of the House for consideration of other resolutions. Debate on a motion to consider an additional resolution shall be limited to five minutes, during which time no speaker shall be allowed more than two minutes. Such debate shall be confined to the advisability of considering an additional resolution and not go into the merits of the resolution.
3. These resolutions, together with any amendments, shall be referred to the Committee on Resolutions or other Special Committees for subsequent hearing and report to the House.
4. When the Committee reports, in accordance with Rule 1.4, three minutes shall be provided for presentation of each resolution.
5. Debate on each resolution shall be limited to fifteen minutes, during which time no speaker shall be allowed more than two minutes, unless the House by 2/3 majority resolves to extend the time.
6. Within the time allotted, no motion to limit debate shall be in order while anyone still wishes to speak. At the conclusion of the time period, votes shall be taken on all pending motions.

The Committee also reminds the House that all amendments or resolutions of any kind must be submitted in writing to the Secretary of Convention before action can be taken on them (Rule 4.1).

### **Special Order #3: Committee on Canons**

The Committee on Dispatch of Business moves that the consideration of the Report of the Committee on Canons be governed by the follow Special Order:

1. Five minutes shall be provided for presentation of the Report and questions of clarification.
2. Ten minutes shall be allotted for debate on any amendments to the Constitution and Canons.
3. Within the times allowed, two minutes shall be allotted to present an amendment, and five minutes allotted for debate on each amendment, during which time no speaker shall be allowed more than two minutes.
4. The House, by 2/3 majority, may vote to extend the time for debate. No motion to lay on the table, to recommit, or otherwise to terminate debate shall be in order while anyone still wishes to speak. At the conclusion of each established time period, votes shall be taken on all pending motions.

#### **Special Order #4: Budget & Financial Resolutions**

The Committee on Dispatch of Business moves that consideration of the budget and other financial resolutions be governed by the following Special Order:

1. Following the report of the Treasurer and the Committee on Personnel Practices, a single motion shall be considered for the adoption of
  - a. The Proposed Assessment Formula,
  - b. The Proposed Salary Resolution, and
  - c. The Proposed Budget.
2. Debate on the budget & financial resolutions shall not exceed five minutes.
3. Debate on any amendments from the floor, during the consideration of the budget & financial resolutions shall be limited to five minutes each. No speaker shall be allowed more than two minutes.
4. No motion to limit debate shall be in order during the allotted time period, while a person still wishes to speak. At the end of each established time period, a vote will be taken on all pending motions, pertaining to that period, unless the House by 2/3 majority, resolves to extend debate.

#### **Special Order #5: Committee Reports (Excluding Canons and Resolutions)**

The Committee on Dispatch of Business moves that except as otherwise provided the reports from any regular or special committees of Convention, be governed by the following Special Order:

1. Five minutes shall be provided for the presentation of each resolution from such a committee, and five minutes for response to questions of clarification.
2. Debate on each resolution shall be limited to five minutes unless the House by 2/3 majority shall extend the time. At the conclusion of the allotted time votes shall be taken on all pending motions.
3. Within the time for debate no speaker shall be allowed more than two minutes, and no motion to limit debate shall be in order while anyone still wishes to speak.

#### **Special Order #6: Reconsideration**

The Committee on Dispatch of Business moves that Reconsideration of a Question be governed by the following Special Order:

1. When the motion to Reconsider is debatable, debate on the motion to Reconsider shall be limited to five minutes, during which time no speaker shall be allowed more than one minute, unless the House by 2/3 majority resolves to extend the time.
2. When the motion to Reconsider has been carried, the question being reconsidered shall be taken up immediately, or at another time determined by the Chair, subject to appeal.
3. When the motion to Reconsider has been carried, and it is applied to a resolution originally governed by Special Order #2, debate shall be limited to ten minutes, during which time no speaker shall be allowed more than two minutes, unless the House by 2/3 majority resolves to extend the time.
4. Within the time allotted, no motion to limit debate shall be in order while anyone still wishes to speak. At the conclusion of the time period, votes shall be taken on all pending motions.