

Resolution: Nemo Contradicente Voting Rules for 2018 Spring General Meeting Resolution

WHEREAS a large number of resolutions submitted is a sign of a healthy federation;

WHEREAS the length of the resolutions session cannot be extended to accommodate the number of motions received;

WHEREAS to bring all resolutions to the floor within the time constraint, debate must be efficient and focus on vote-determining issues rather than opinions and commentary;

WHEREAS nemo contradicente voting can help expedite the session by allowing non-controversial motions to pass by consensus without a formal vote;

WHEREAS motions that have associated financial spending should be debated to ensure good use of the organization's finances;

WHEREAS the procedure for nemo contradicente voting is as follows:

- Motion is read by the Chair
- Mover speaks in favour of the motion for maximum two (2) minutes
- Chair asks for direct negatives from the floor
- If there is no direct negative, motion is adopted and minuted as "Adopted nemo contra"
- If there is a direct negative: Chair asks objector whether they would like to proceed directly to a minuted vote or to open a speaker list
- If directly to vote: Chair calls the question
- If open a speaker list: Chair asks for maximum five (5) speakers, who approach the microphone for maximum one (1) minute
- After first speaker list: Chair asks to call the question
- Floor can request a second speaker list of five (5) speakers for one (1) minute each
- No individual speaker may speak more than twice, for a maximum total of two (2) minutes, on a single resolution;

BIRT the Member Resolutions Sessions at the 2018 S GM be conducted with nemo contradicente voting, for all resolutions that do not have an associated financial cost.

Financial Cost: \$0

Level of Effort: N/A

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