

OSSTF
TORONTO TEACHERS' BARGAINING UNIT
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
Virtual Zoom Meeting - Part III Motions
November 19, 2020

1. Call to Order: 5:50 p.m. Michael Barltrop, TTBU Constitution and Steering Committee, in the Chair.
2. The Acknowledgement of Traditional Lands and Anti-harassment Statement were read.
3. Announcements were read. The Chair put Linktree into the Zoom chat feature to assist meeting participants.
4. PROC 101-20

BIRT the Rules of Order as recommended by the Constitution and Steering Committee be adopted for the 2020 TTBU Annual General Meeting.

ADOPTED AS AMENDED

Red Card: Objection to the Rules of Order colour indicator system.

Red Card: Objection to the AGM Registration system.

Red Card: Objection to Rules of Order as is. Inquiry to a motion to adjourn the AGM meeting. Chair advises on Priority Motion.

Red Card: Objection to past practice phrase being used.

Red Card: Concern in support of member's Red and Yellow Card comments. Objection to not having a one vote/one member system and BYL 101-20 regarding quorum. Chair warns against using personal names while commenting.

Red Card: Mover Clarification of BYL 101-20.

Red Card: Objection to Observer status impeding full participation.

Red Card: BYL 101-20.

Red Card: Mover Clarification of BYL 101-20.

Priority Motion:

BIRT the meeting be adjourned.

Rick Beer (RH King Academy) / Heather Byrnes (Don Mills CI)

DEFEATED

Red Card: Inquiry to voting number breakdown in a virtual system. Chair explains options of procedure.

Red Card: Wants vote count after every vote. Chair advises to ask at the end of each vote.

Red Card: Request of a vote count on Priority Motion. Chair: 115 opposed and 46 in favour.

Red Card: Clarification of secret ballots. Chair: Only providing results of ballots.

Amendment to PROC 101-20:

BIRT the “procedures for debate” involving “past practice” Number 7 be removed.
Cynthia Grant (Winston Churchill CI) / Katia Berdechevsky (Monarch Park CI)

CARRIED

Red Card: Request of a vote count on Amendment to PROC 101-20. Chair: 91 in favour and 59 opposed.

Red Card: Withdrawn, same request as above.

Red Card: Inquiry into mechanism for non-registered members to vote. Chair explained procedures. Inquiry to a new motion. Chair further explains procedures for introduction of new Red Card.

Red Card: Inquiry to Chair about procedure being used. Debate on Motion to Extend meeting may not be in order. Chair is asked to caucus with the Constitution and Steering Committee. Granted. Meeting resumes and Chair finds a Motion to Extend takes precedence over the standing motion on the floor. No debate; move directly to vote.

Motion to Extend:

BIRT the meeting be extended until such time that all BYL motions are addressed.
Deborah Buchanan-Walford (Emery ALC) / Laura Clayton (SCAS)

DEFEATED

Red Card: Request of a vote count on Motion to Extend. Chair: 93 opposed and 66 in favour.

Red Card: Vote count. Inquiry into a new motion of reconsideration to extension of time. Chair: Motion to Reconsider has to be brought from the prevailing side. We are currently on the motion to pass the amendment to the Rules of Order.

Red Card: Opposition to union and protest of procedures.

Red Card: Concern that we are now over the time of adjournment with a motion still on the floor.

Red Card: Concern over tonight’s AGM. Chair explained the role of the Const. and Steering Committee.

Red Card: Supports member’s comments regarding procedures, inequitable language of motions and not hearing BYL 125-20. Chair read the Constitutional language regarding calling a new General Meeting to hear motions.

Red Card: Concern over AGM and how the system was used to prevent legitimate business and debate of motions.

Red Card: Withdrawn.

Red Card: Inquiry into reconsideration of the Motion to Extend to 8:00 pm. Chair: Explained that another motion is formally required to extend the meeting to the suggested time.

Red Card: Requests someone to move a motion to extend the meeting. Equity issues are on the agenda and should be moved to front of the agenda. Chair: That is a suggestion: We are currently on the motion to adopt the Rules of Order. Afterwards, we will move to the approval of the agenda with a motion of amendment to change the agenda to amend the adjournment time.

PROC 101-20:

BIRT the Rules of Order as amended be adopted for the 2020 TTBU Annual General Meeting.

CARRIED

Red Card: Withdrawn.

Red Card: Concerns with AGM. Invokes time of silence. Chair: mutes Member and acknowledges that we are still speaking of past practice even though the Rules are adopted as amended.

Red Card: Point of Order on the motion to adopt the Rules of Order with debate not being exhausted. Chair: Red Card speaker is correct. Apologises to the House that multiple spotting sheets will be used moving forward. Motion on the floor is passing the agenda.

Red Card: Concern that several Red Cards were still on the floor before the last vote. Concern over Member being muted when invoking her right to silence. Chair: Upholds mute action as it's only possible to use Red Card time if speaking. Appeal of ruling can be put to the House if 90 seconds can be used in silence.

Red Card: Inquiry to appeal with no past practise. Objects to forcing a Red Card speaker to speak. Chair: Explanation of action and suggests issue can go to a House vote.

Red Card: Appeal of Chair's decision to mute non-verbal Red Card. Chair says he is adhering to the Rules and is in a neutral position.

Ballot put to the House to uphold the challenge which is that 90 seconds can be used in silence. Alternatively, can vote to uphold the Chair's position that 90 seconds is a maximum time slot to be used only if speaking.

Challenge:

BIRT the Chair's ruling be upheld.

CARRIED

Red Card: Request of a vote count on Chair's ruling and an appeal of motion. Chair: 83 in favour and 53 opposed. Motion to Appeal has to be brought from the prevailing side. Move to the motion to approve the Agenda. A Motion to extend adjournment time and move the placement of specific motions is required.

Chair: Announces we no longer have quorum.

Red Card: Objection to Chair's ruling of no quorum.

Red Cards raised on concerns over AGM. Chair: Explains procedures for calling a General Meeting.

5. On Time Motions:

N/A

6. Late Motions / Motions from the Floor:

N/A

7. Timed Item: Adjournment at 7:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m. due to lack of quorum.