

BYLAWS AND RULES COMMITTEE MEETING
MINUTES APRIL 11, 2024

Meeting called to order at 9:05 PM EDT by Chair Harlos

MEMBERS	ALTERNATES	GUESTS
SYLVIA ARROWWOOD	ROGER ROOTS (A4)	JJ JACOBS
PAUL BRACCO	DATA LOGAN (A5) AT 9:45PM	LARRY SILVER
NICHOLAS CIESIELSKI	DEAN RODGERS	
CARYN ANN HARLOS		
ROB LATHAM		
FRANK MARTIN		
CHUCK MOULTON		
TOM ROWLETTE		
DAVE ROBERSON (A2)		
MIKE SEEBECK		

ABSENT: MIKE RUFO

NO PUBLIC COMMENT:

MINUTES APPROVAL: Minutes of 4-4-24 LATHAM would like opportunity to review them. To be approved at following meeting pending any changes. (April 25, 2024)

SURVEY DISCUSSION AS TO POSSIBLE YELLOW-LINE, RED-LINE OR POSSIBLE REMOVAL ENTIRELY

DEBATE AS TO SURVEY AND POTENTIAL REMOVAL OF AFFILIATE DISPUTE NO. 6 (PRIOR EE)

HARLOS: ROWLETTE has potential amendments. Want him to discuss keeping it in main report. If no objection, we will go to affiliate dispute procedure, now No. 6 (PRIOR EE). First Motion is whether or not we are going to reconsider it. If not, things will stay way they are. If we reconsider it, then changes requested can be made. It will be like considering it afresh and changes can be made. Final motion will be to adopt it or not. I move to reconsider what is now called Proposal 6 (PRIOR EE). Do know I have reconsideration rights as did not vote “No”. is there any objection to reconsidering this Proposal 6 (PRIOR EE)? (No Response) **RECONSIDERATION ADOPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION.** We will reconsider it afresh. ROWLETTE has the floor. Would suggest amending it first.

ROWLETTE: Have three amendments which are designed to make proposal more palatable. Have proposed different rationale. Move we change out the old rationale to the new rationale.

HARLOS: ROWLETTE will be presenting this proposal. Will allow amendments to rationale. Don’t want to spend excess time on rationales. Will send back to Rationales Committee if needed. Will let debate go forward.

DEBATE AS TO AMENDING RATIONALES

HARLOS: Perhaps should refer this to the Rationales Committee to take another look at it with input from ROWLETTE. Maybe it can be worded more neutrally to make it clear that not having this is not

going to make it a situation where some people have been unhappy and there were several last term that were not happy. If this ends up in the report, is there any objection to having the Rationales Committee take another look and revising it with input from ROWLETTE? (No Response) Refer back to Rationales Committee **ADOPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION.**

MOULTON: Does a yellow proposal need rationales? More concerned what is right in front of people than what is written in a report. Do not think we need committee rationales with the yellow items. A lot will depend upon the presenter.

DEBATE CONTINUED

HARLOS: Since no objection, this will get referred back to the Rationales Committee who will get back in touch with ROWLETTE. Would suggest Rationales Committee take a look at this – again this is only if it gets referred to yellow and bring it to ROWLETTE for his input and maybe some more tightening. Let’s get to the actual proposal. ROWLETTE will have the floor again because he has some changes or amendments as to wording of the proposal.

ROWLETTE: Two basic changes. First one is the more controversial one. In first sentence strike the words ~~ten or 10%~~ and replace with 20% and keep the word “least”.

DEBATE AS TO STIKE AND INSERT

HARLOS: Amendment on floor is to strike ~~ten or 10%~~ and insert 20%.

DEBATE CONTINUED

ARROWWOOD	NO
BRACCO	YES
CIESIELSKI	NO
HARLOS	NO
LATHAM	YES
MARTIN	YES
MOULTON	YES
ROWLETTE	YES
ROBERSON (A2)	YES
SEEBECK	NO

ADOPTED VOTE 6-4-0

ROWLETTE: Same sentence move to lower case ~~P~~ in word “Party” and insert national party in same sentence and put a comma after the word “state” – Let’s do one at a time.

HARLOS: You want national party to be lower case?

ROWLETTE: Yes.

DEBATE AS TO AMENDMENT

ROWLETTE: Will withdraw If there is no objection.

HARLOS: Any objection to ROWLETTE withdrawing this amendment? (No Response) **WITHDRAWN**

WITHOUT OBJECTION.

HARLOS: It's been **WITHDRAWN WITHOUT OBJECTION.** Next amendment.

ROWLETTE: Insert a comma after the word "state" in same sentence.

DEBATE AS TO AMENDMENT

HARLOS: Any objection as to that comma? (No Response) Comma is inserted. **AMENDMENT ADOPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION.**

ROWLETTE: Sentence, If the affiliate has its own JC . . . Strike ~~the~~ and put in that. "That" is more specific than "the" and it points specifically to the JC instead of "the".

HARLOS: Anyone like to speak to that change? (No Response) **AMENDMENT ADOPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION.**

ROWLETTE: Last one. Sentence that begins "Unrecognized claimants " after the words "JC" insert a comma. It's two separate things.

HARLOS: Anyone else wish to speak to this? (No Response) Any objection to adding that comma? (No Response). **AMENDMENT ADOPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION.**

ROWLETTE: That's end of amendments.

HARLOS: It's not in red and not in yellow. We could move to adopt and put it right back into the report in the place it's in. It can be moved to adopt and put at end of the report. It could be moved to adopt as a yellow-lined. Like to get committee members opinions. Does anyone want to make a motion? (No Response) If not, I'm going to make one. Move to adopt this as a yellow-lined proposal which means it would not be in this report.

DEBATE AS TO ADOPT AS YELLOW-LINED PROPOSAL

HARLOS: Current motion is to pass it and make it yellow. If that fails, motions would be in order to pass and leave it where it is or to pass it and move it to the end. If all of those fail, could red-line it. Then it does not go anywhere. Want to make parliamentary positions clear here. Is there anything further on the current motion which is to pass it but yellow-line it? A Yes Vote would pass it and move to the yellow-lined, then we go to the survey. If it fails, then further motions would be in order.

ARROWWOOD	YES
BRACCO	NO
CIESIELSKI	NO
HARLOS	YES
LATHAM	YES
MARTIN	YES
MOULTON	YES
ROWLETTE	NO
ROBERSON	NO
SEEBECK	ABSTAIN

ADOTED VOTE 5-4-1

HARLOS: That passed. We are moving on to the survey. Don't know if you want to deal with the survey. Second survey has not gone out yet.

DISCUSSION AS TO SURVEY

HARLOS: Remember: Members and committee members also have the right to suspend the rules and bring something forward.

BRACCO: Maybe a good question for second survey: How many conventions have you been to in the past? Could be valuable context.

HARLOS: 7 is now 6.

MOULTON: Move we set this aside to take up the matter of which yellows to move into our report. There seems to be some clear winners. Time is about up. We only have 15 minutes left. Would like to spend some of that time moving yellows into the report. Then we can circle back to the survey. I move that we table this so that motion can be heard.

HARLOS: Is there any objection? MOULTON is asking to take a look at the yellows to see if there is some kind of consensus on moving one spicy one or a couple(2) non-spicy ones to the main report.

DEBATE AS TO INCLUDE ONE SPICY OR TWO NON-SPICY

BRACCO: Move that we take N and make it rank No. 6 in the report.

HARLOS: That is a motion. Would anyone like to speak to that motion?

DEBATE AS TO MOVE N TO NO. 6

SEEBECK: Request orders of the day.

HARLOS: Motion to extend time. We will go right to a vote. I move to extend time for ten minutes. Is there any objection? (No Response) Motion to extend time for ten minutes **ADOPTED WITHOUT OBJECTION.**

DEBATE FURTHER

HARLOS: The vote is to allocate Proposal 10 and move to spot 6 which is now back to EE. A Yes Vote will do that. No Vote keeps it in yellow.

ARROWWOOD	YES
BRACCO	YES
CIESIELSKI	YES
HARLOS	ABSTAIN
LATHAM	NO
MARTIN	YES
MOULTON	YES
ROWLETTE	NO
ROBERSON (A2)	YES
SEEBECK	NO

ADOPTED VOTE 6-3-1

HARLOS: That passes. Motion will go into No.6. Would make motion to appeal LNC decision and stick it on the end. Did give notice last time. If we do not get to it, we don't get to it. Spoke to it last time. Think we all need the protection. Think it will pass if we get to it. (No Response) Don't see any further hands. This will go to end and be 16.

ARROWWOOD	YES
BRACCO	YES
CIESIELSKI	YES
HARLOS	ABSTAIN
LATHAM	YES
MARTIN	YES
MOULTON	YES
ROWLETTE	YES
ROBERSON	YES
SEEBECK	YES

ADOPTED VOTE 9-0-1

HARLOS: The Rationales Committee will be editing what will be 6 and now be 16 and I'll be modifying the report accordingly. Am in middle of getting second survey out. Would suggest if anyone has further amendment, perhaps can handle that by email. Want to move forward to approve a final report. Probably not going to meet the printing deadline. Will be sticking things in binders before gavel comes down. Next meeting is April 25. We have our proposals but we may need to tweak. Could do by email if needed.

We are close to adjourning. Can hang out for a few minutes if anyone wishes. There will be a couple more surveys. Adjourned at 11:19 PM EDT.

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