

Hybrid Convention

Article 19: Special 2020 Convention Bylaws

1. Due to the present COVID-19, and the inability and/or desirability by certain delegates concerning their attendance, this hybrid Bylaws amendment is adopted for permitting certain delegates to vote electronically for 2020 national convention. This Article 19 shall take immediate effect, supersede any conflicting provisions of the Bylaws and Special Convention Rules, apply solely to the 2020 national convention, and be automatically repealed on December 31, 2020.
2. The entire business portion of the convention (except for periods of recess) shall be made available by video online to all participating delegates. Any delegates participating remotely shall not be counted for determining quorum or the presence of a quorum.
3. In the event that any delegate is unable to attend, the rules set forth in this paragraph shall apply to that delegation. In the event a delegate is Unable to Attend:
 - a. The delegation chair shall be responsible for transmitting to the credentials committee, electronically, the names of the delegates and alternates who are present and participating for purposes of inclusion in the credentials report, and may substitute delegates and alternates as provided in Article 10(6), and may check any such delegates out from the convention; in the event a delegation is Unable to Attend, no floor fee shall be charged to any delegates of that convention for their attendance and participation.
 - b. The delegation chair shall also be responsible for arranging either an electronic meeting for his or her delegation to attend, or an in person convention in their state to attend or a combination of both; the delegation chair shall also be connected electronically to the in person assembled convention body via suitable electronic software to enable motions to be made and voting results to be transmitted. The delegation chair shall be permitted to make motions to the convention, and may choose to make motions on behalf of delegates in their delegation. All voting for that delegation shall be transmitted to, tallied, and through that delegation chair in the manner of their choosing, with totals transmitted to the Secretary of the Convention for each vote.
 - c. Participation by those not physically present in the convention hall shall be limited to ballot voting for the selection of Presidential and Vice-Presidential nominees, for offices on the National Committee (including Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer, and At-Large), and for Judicial Committee.

This proposal is still being workshopped. It has not been adopted by the committee.

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