WHAT IS DELEGATE ASSEMBLY?

- A collection of members
- Deciding on the direction for MAPE
- For the next Couple of Years
2 TYPES OF BUSINESS

- The Actual Running of DA
- Setting the Direction of MAPE
ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER, NEWLY REVISED

- Adopting an Agenda
- Setting Standing Rules
- Passing Main Motions
MAIN MOTION

- A request that the DA take an action.

Examples:
- I move that all votes be by a show of hands instead of voice votes.
- I move that the assembly adjourns for lunch and reconvenes at 1:00 pm.
MAIN MOTIONS REQUIRE A SECOND
MAIN MOTIONS CAN BE MADE BY

- A Member of Delegate Assembly, at Delegate Assembly
- A Committee
  - via a committee report
  - when at least two committee members are also members of Delegate Assembly

OR
MAIN MOTIONS CAN BE MADE BY

- RESOLUTION
RESOLUTIONS

- Made by
  - 2 MAPE Members
  - Locals
  - Committees
Normally, the maker of the motion gets to speak first.

The maker gets to explain what the motion is.
The maker can't speak to the motion
HOW DO YOU "SPEAK TO THE MOTION"

- Explain the motion in the Whereas Section of the Resolution

2017 MAPE DELEGATE ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION

Whereas, insert an explanation of why this resolution is needed; and
Whereas, insert background information you think people need to know about your resolution; and
Whereas, insert as many whereas statements as you need. End with a ; therefore

Resolved, That insert your resolution here.

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WHEREAS Men with Blue Skin tend to hang around in Groups; and
EXPLAIN WITH PLAIN LANGUAGE

- Just use a Whereas in the first line.
- Explain the need for the motion.
- Explain what the motion will do.
- Explain why this is the best option.

**Explain, Explain, Explain**
What you actually are suggesting should happen.

You can say something like:

Resolved, That the Bylaws be amended, as shown below, to allow Local Meetings to dress as clowns.
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Underline new language
- Strike Through deleted language
- DO NOT USE TRACK CHANGES IN WORD.

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LANGUAGE CHANGES

- If you are making multiple changes in a sentence, just strike the whole sentence and insert a new sentence.
- Don't use run on sentences.
- Use lists for multipart.
If there are differences between the marked up language and the final language, the final language is what is adopted.

In the earlier example, the marked up language left two 'the' next to each other. The final language does not.
In the past, many resolutions were passed that did not land somewhere.
These resolutions were quickly forgotten.
To make sure your resolution sticks around, you have to **put it somewhere**.

Places you can put your resolution:
- Have it change or create a policy
- Have it as a line item in the budget
- Have it change the Bylaws
- Have it change the Election Rules
- Have it change the Constitution
PUT IT SOMEWHERE

- Rarely is the Constitution changed (There really is very little in the Constitution)
- Only things that have to do with running elections should go in the Election Rules
- Things having to do with the structure of MAPE go in the Bylaws
- The Budget is a good place for short term issues that cost money
- Policies are where things usually are changed
CONSTITUTION AND RULES COMMITTEE

- Reviews all Resolutions to make sure they are ready for Debate.

- Our opinion is about the structure of the resolution, not about its substance.
1. Does the change have a ripple effect in any other governing document or another place in the same document that is not covered in the resolution?
2. Are the changes clearly explained and understandable? Are the changes properly marked?
3. Does the resolution actually change something or document current practice?
4. Would adoption of the resolution cause a contradiction?
5. Is the resolution deleterious or carry a liability issue for MAPE
6. Does the resolution require statute or law changes to implement?
BEWARE THE DEADLINE

- Get your resolution in before the deadline or it will not make it to DA.
- The deadline for any given DA will be published on the MAPE website.
- Usually the deadline is around July 4.
- Get your resolution in early and C&R can work with you to fix any issues.
- Resolutions can be submitted starting in January.
MORE INFORMATION:

- See the Delegate Assembly Resolution Requirement Policy at
- https://mape.org/resources/mape-documents/mape-policies/government-relations-committee/membership-committee/delegate