

Standing Rules of the Assembly

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Standing Rule 1 of the 9th Assembly

1. OP 2.1 § 1(2)(A), but not its nested list items, is suppressed. When a resolution is submitted to the Speaker, if it need not be *rejected* (OP 3.2 § 3(A) on main motions and OP 3.8 § 1(2) on resolutions specifically), the Speaker "classifies" it. The implicit main motion of the resolution and an implicit subsidiary motion to *Refer* the resolution to committee(s) according to its *classification* (2.1 § 1(2)(A)(1)) are considered made, and the motion to *Refer* considered approved.
2. If a resolution that has been referred has not yet been read before the Assembly, it is placed under the New Business Agenda Section for the next regular meeting after each committee to which it was referred has either approved a report on it or been discharged from considering its release.
3. At the beginning of consideration of a resolution for its "first reading" during the New Business Agenda Section as explained in OP 2.1 § 2(6)(B), each committee that released the resolution delivers its report, in the order in which they released the resolution, with a time limit of 5 minutes each.
4. OP 2.6 § 4(A)(4) and its nested list item are suppressed. Each committee report must include if it is a report on *release* or *return*.
 - a. A committee report is a report on release if it releases a resolution from that committee's consideration to the Assembly for its First Reading. A committee report is a report on return if it returns a resolution from that committee's consideration to the Assembly after the resolution has had its First Reading.

Standing Rule 2 of the 9th Assembly

1. **Required Activities.**

- a. **Regular Assembly Meetings.** One absence is assessed for each missed attendance roll call at a regular meeting.
- b. **Engagement.** One absence is assessed each week in which a regular meeting is held for failure to attend at least one of the following:
 - i. A committee meeting;
 - ii. A select committee or task force meeting;
 - iii. An executive commission meeting;
 - iv. A meeting of one's academic unit student government;
 - v. A meeting of a university committee; or
 - vi. A CSG-affiliated event, at the discretion of the Speaker.
- c. **Representative Orientation.** Two absences are assessed to a Representative elected to their current seat in a March CSG election who fails to attend the Orientation for Representatives-Elect (Compiled Code Article II Section A(5)) associated with that election.

2. **Recall.**

- a. A Representative who accumulates five absences between the meeting of swearing-in for a regularly-scheduled election and the next such meeting is placed under recall from their position as a Representative upon the assessment of the fifth such absence.
- b. An Officer who accumulates three absences within a span of two weeks in which regular meetings are held is placed under recall from their position as an Officer upon assessment of the third such absence.

3. **Excusal of Absences.** The Speaker may excuse an absence directly attributable to any of the following: serious illness, a medical procedure, or recovery from a medical procedure; death or serious illness in the Member's immediate family; a religious holiday that is recognized by the Office of the Provost; or a substantial academic or professional commitment.
4. **Closing Roll.** During the Closing and Adjournment Agenda Section of each regular meeting, the Chair conducts an *attendance roll call* (1.3 § 3(3)) before they adjourn the meeting.

Standing Rule 3 of the 9th Assembly

1. The Agenda of each regular meeting includes a “Matters Arising” section and an “Announcements” section immediately before “Closing and Adjournment”.
2. **Matters Arising.** During this section, any Member may comment on any issue that arose during the meeting. Each Member may speak once, and take questions from other Members, with a time limit of 90 seconds.
3. **Announcements.** During this section, any Member may share announcements not otherwise germane to Assembly business. Each Member may speak once, and take questions from other Members, with a time limit of 90 seconds.

Standing Rule 4 of the 9th Assembly

1. Minutes taken at a meeting are not official until approved by the Assembly by a majority vote.
2. The Agenda of each regular meeting includes an "Approval of Previous Minutes" Agenda section immediately after "Amendment and Approval of the Agenda".
3. During the "Approval of Previous Minutes" section:
 - a. An implicit main motion is made to ratify any unofficial minutes from previous meetings.
4. The Speaker must update the Assembly Register with any updates not later than two weeks after those updates occur

Standing Rule 5 of the 9th Assembly

1. By default, each Agenda Section other than Old Business begins with an implicit motion by Unanimous Consent to adopt all implicit motions within the section or, in the case of a section with no implicit motions, to move immediately to the next section. Such a motion is considered made upon arrival at each item in Old Business, applying only to that item.
 - a. Any Voting Representative may object to any implicit motion(s) within the section. Any implicit motion objected to in such a manner are considered excluded from the Unanimous Consent motion. If all implicit motions are excluded, or if the section has no implicit motions and the Unanimous Consent motion is objected to, the Unanimous Consent motion is considered withdrawn.
 - i. Objections may be submitted to the Speaker prior to the meeting.
2. Any report to the Assembly must be delivered in writing to the Speaker and attached to the agenda before the meeting under the Report Questions agenda section.
3. All votes in the Assembly, except those taken by Ballot Vote, are taken with an implicit request for Unanimous Consent, unless otherwise indicated or changed.
 - a. If Unanimous Consent is not granted, the vote is taken with an uncounted voting method unless otherwise indicated or changed.
4. The Agenda of each regular meeting proceeds as follows, by default:
 - a. Call to Order
 - b. Convening Business
 - c. Amendment and Approval of the Agenda
 - d. Community Concerns
 - e. Report Questions
 - f. Elections, Confirmations, and Recalls
 - g. Old Business
 - h. New Business
 - i. Motions and Other Business
 - j. Closing and Adjournment
5. Report Questions is an Agenda Section in which members ask questions about any of the reports that were delivered to them before the meeting with a total time limit of 8 minutes.