

Reaching Receiving Refreshing

June 25-28, 2009---Intercontinental Hotel---Addison/Dallas, Texas
Texas District Convention Schedule

Thursday, June 25, 2009

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.	Exhibit Set-Up - Garden Court I & II
1:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Convention Registration - Crystal Ballroom Foyer
1:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Exhibits Open - Garden Court I & II
1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Floor Committee Open Hearings <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Administration/Theology - Waterford• Mission and Ministry - Colonnade
7:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Prayer - Baccarat
7:40 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Pre-Service Singing - Crystal Ballroom
8:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Opening Worship with Holy Communion - Crystal Ballroom Rev. Ken Hennings, President, Texas District—LCMS
9:30 p.m.	Reception with Open Exhibit Hall - Garden Court I, II & III

Friday, June 26, 2009

7:15 a.m. - 7:40 a.m.	Prayer - Baccarat
7:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m.	Exhibit Hall Opens - Garden Court I & II
7:30 a.m. -12:00 p.m.	Registration Opens - Crystal Ballroom Foyer
7:45 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.	Opening Singing - Crystal Ballroom
8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Opening of Convention - Crystal Ballroom
8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Opening Devotion: <i>'Reaching'</i> - Crystal Ballroom Rev. Oscar Benavides
9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Bible Study I: Rev. Steven Wagner
9:30 a.m. - 9:40 a.m.	Scripture Prayer: Rev. Randy Haedge
9:40 a.m. - 9:55 a.m.	Primer on Parliamentary Procedure: Rev. Ralph Hobratschk
9:55 a.m. -10:15 a.m.	Delegate Keypad Orientation: Rev. Walt Pohland
10:15 a.m. -11:00 a.m.	Elections <u><i>Ballot Instructions and Prayer</i></u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Election of President</i>• <i>Election of Vice Presidents</i>• <i>Ranking of Vice Presidents</i>• <i>Board of Directors</i>• <i>Board for Mission Administration</i>• <i>Concordia University Texas Board of Regents</i>• <i>District Nominating Committee</i>• <i>Ratification of Circuit Counselors</i>
11:00 a.m. -11:55 a.m.	District Report I
11:55 a.m. -12:00 noon	Close of Morning Session Luncheon Prayer: Rev. Randy Haedge
12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m.	Lunch Pastors' Wives Luncheon - Garden Court III Presidium Luncheon - Stueben

1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Devotions: *'Reaching'* - Crystal Ballroom
 Rev. Dr. Gerald B. Kieschnick, President, LCMS
 2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Synod's Report: Rev. Dr. Gerald B. Kieschnick
 2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Questions & Answers: Rev. Dr. Gerald B. Kieschnick
 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Convention Business Session I
 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Essay #1: Rev. Dr. Robert Newton, President
 California-Nevada-Hawaii District
 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Convention Reports
 6:00 p.m. - 6:05 p.m. Closing Prayer: Rev. Randy Haedge
 6:30 p.m. Dinner on your own

Saturday, June 27, 2009

7:15 a.m. - 7:40 a.m. Prayer - Baccarat
 7:30 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Exhibit Hall Open - Garden Court I & II
 7:45 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Singing - Crystal Ballroom
 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m. Opening Devotion: *'Receiving'*
 D.C.E. Travis Hartjen
 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Bible Study 2: Rev. Steven Wagner
 9:00 a.m. - 9:10 a.m. Scripture Prayer: Rev. Randy Haedge
 9:10 a.m. - 9:40 a.m. District Report II
 9:40 a.m. -10:40 a.m. Essay #2: Rev. Dr. Robert Newton
 10:40 a.m. -10:55 a.m. Mission Greeting from the Synod
 10:55 a.m. -11:10 a.m. Seminary Report
 11:10 a.m. -11:55 a.m. Convention Business Session II
 11:55 a.m. -12:00 p.m. Close of Morning Session
 Luncheon Prayer: Rev. Randy Haedge
 12:00 noon - 1:30 p.m. Lunch
 1:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Devotion: *'Receiving'*
 Rev. John Messman
 1:45 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. Blue Ribbon Task Force on Synodical Structure & Gov.
 3:45 p.m. - 4:45 p.m. District Report III
 4:45 p.m. - 4:55 p.m. Presentation
 4:55 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. Closing Prayer: Rev. Randy Haedge
 5:00 p.m. Electoral Circuit Caucuses (if desired)
 6:00 p.m. Exhibits Closed, Dinner on your own

Sunday, June 28, 2009

7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m. Prayer - Baccarat
 8:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m. Singing - Crystal Ballroom
 8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. Opening Devotion and Prayer: *'Refreshing'*
 Rev. Randy Haedge
 8:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Recognition of Anniversaries
 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Bible Study 3: Rev. Steven Wagner
 9:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Convention Media Review
 9:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Break and Worship Preparation
 9:45 a.m. -11:00 a.m. Closing Worship & Memorial Service - "Remembering and Sending..."
 Rev. Dr. Robert Preece

**CONVENTION ESSAYIST: Rev. Dr. Robert Newton, President
California, Nevada, Hawaii District of the LCMS**

A 1977 graduate of Concordia Theological Seminary, Ft. Wayne, Robert served as an evangelistic missionary to the Kankanaey people in the Philippines from 1977-83. He and his family lived in a remote mountain area of northern Luzon, the largest island in the Philippine archipelago. The ministry involved planting new congregations and outstations along with training men to serve as pastors, elders, and evangelists.

The Newtons returned to the States in July of 1983 in order for Robert to pursue graduate studies at the School of World Mission, Fuller Theological Seminary, Pasadena, CA. While there, he assisted the Pacific Southwest District in developing a cross-cultural leadership training program. He completed his doctorate in education in 1993 at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School in Deerfield, IL.

Robert served as professor of world missions at Concordia Theological Seminary from 1985 until 1998. For the 1996-97 academic year he was on sabbatical with his family serving the Gutnius Lutheran Church in Papua New Guinea under the Board for Mission Services. In 1998 he accepted a call as senior pastor to First Immanuel Lutheran Church, an urban, multi-cultural congregation in San Jose, CA and continued in that ministry until being elected president of the CNH District in 2003.

Robert and his wife, Priscilla, grew up together in Napa, California and have been married since 1971. They have seven children and six grandchildren.

**BIBLE STUDY LEADER: Rev. Steven Wagner, Executive Leader
Pastoral Leadership Institute**

Rev. Stephen A. Wagner is Executive Leader of the Pastoral Leadership Institute located in Dallas, TX. PLI is a learning organization offering pastors and their wives leadership training and missional formation. In addition, PLI focuses on spiritual, personal, and family nurture and development.

A graduate of Concordia Seminary in St. Louis, MO (M.Div. 1973), he has completed additional graduate work at Fuller Theological Seminary in Pasadena, CA. Prior to his current position, he served for 28 years as Senior Pastor of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Carrollton, TX. In addition to his receiving the "Outstanding Church Growth Leader In America" award in 1981, Prince of Peace was recognized as one of three hundred "excellent protestant churches in America" in 2001.

Pastor Wagner is the author of Heart to Heart: Sharing Christ with a Friend, Great Commission Stewardship, and a contributing author to Manual for Church Planters and Beyond Soccer. He has taught *The Church in Mission Through Small Groups and Lifestyle Evangelism* in the Doctor of Ministry program at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis.

In 1989, he was selected as a United States delegate to the Lausanne II Congress on World Evangelization in Manila, Philippines. He has served as a speaker and workshop leader at international Church Growth conferences in Kyoto, Japan; Moscow, Russia; Almaty Kazakhstan; Lima Peru; and Buenos Aires, Argentina as well as for multiple conferences on evangelism and church growth in Canada.

Pastor Wagner serves as a chapel speaker for the Dallas Cowboys, Texas Rangers, and FC Dallas professional sports teams and chaplain for the Dallas Sidekicks. He was also selected as chaplain for the 2003, 2004, and 2006 Major Indoor Soccer League All Star games. He has spoken for the Zig Ziglar Corporation, United States Marine Corps MAG-41, and Ford Motor Company.

He and his wife, Rita, have two adult children, both of whom are active members at Prince of Peace.

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PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

When group decisions are made, the group must follow certain rules of procedure to prevent chaos, confusion, and possible injustice. The rules which a group follows are called Parliamentary Procedure.

Unless rules and procedures are specified in the District Handbook, "The New Robert's Rules of Order, Revised Edition" is followed by the District Convention.

It is impossible to cover everything, but the following information is given to help all delegates participate confidently and effectively in the decision-making process.

PURPOSE OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

The purpose is to carry out the aims of the assembly in an orderly and fair manner, to expedite business, to insure justice and equality to all, particularly the minority, and to insure that the will of the majority shall prevail.

RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES OF ALL MEMBERS

The two basic rights of all members are to speak and to vote. These need to be exercised and used faithfully, wisely, and well. However, all members also have certain basic privileges, as a part of Parliamentary Procedure. These are important.

Any member has the right at any time, even interrupting a speaker, to:

1. Make a point of order - if the member feels that proper procedure has not been followed. The Chair either accepts the point and makes the correction or rules that the point is not well taken. (If a member abuses this privilege, the Chair need not recognize him.)
2. Raise a question of privilege - if the member, for example, feels there is disorder, bad ventilation, etc., or if he feels a personal attack has been made, etc. (This, too, dare not be abused.)
3. Make a request for information - if something is not understood about a resolution, or the facts presented are not clear, etc.
4. Make a parliamentary inquiry - if the member does not understand the parliamentary situation, or wants to know what kind of motion to use, or what to say to accomplish his objective, etc.

KINDS OF MOTIONS

1. Main Motions - A Main Motion is made to bring any particular subject before the assembly for its consideration. The Main Motion is the foundation on which all procedure is built. Only one Main Motion may be pending at a time.
2. Subsidiary Motions - Subsidiary Motions are those which help or assist in disposing of the Main Motion in the most appropriate way. There are seven: postpone indefinitely, amend, commit or refer, postpone to a definite time, limit or extend debate, previous question, and table.
3. Privileged Motions - Privileged Motions have no connection with the Main Motion, but are of such great importance that they take precedence over all other questions. If made when nothing is pending, they become Main Motions. They are: call for orders of the day, question of privilege, recess, adjourn, fix time to adjourn to.
4. Incidental Motions - Incidental Motions are such as arise out of another question which is pending, for example, close nominations, division of question, division of assembly, etc.

FREQUENTLY USED PROCEDURES AND POINTS

Following is information on a few of the most commonly used procedures and points in any assembly.

Amendments

- These are the most commonly used of the subsidiary motions. Forms of amendments are: inserting or adding, striking out, striking out and inserting or adding, substituting (a whole resolution).
- Amendments must be germane to the motion, that is, they must relate to it, although they may not change an affirmative motion to negative.
- Amendments to the 2nd degree only are permitted, that is, an amendment to an amendment. Also, only one amendment of the 1st degree is permitted at a time, although any number may be offered in succession.

Substitute

- A subsidiary motion to substitute is actually an amendment, and is basically handled as such. (This amendment is often called "substitute motion," although this is not the best form and is often confusing.)
- A motion to substitute is different from other forms of amendments in that it can do away entirely with the original resolution. It is also different because the original motion may be amended by secondary amendments while the substitute is pending.
- Since it is an amendment, two votes are always required. In other words, if the substitute has passed, all that has been decided is to substitute that paragraph or motion for the original one. The substitute has then become the main motion, is open for discussion, and must be voted on.

Previous Question

- The name of this motion is a little confusing, but it is simply a motion to stop debate and vote immediately on the pending question. It requires a 2/3 vote and is not debatable.
- Calling out "Question!" does not bind the Chair immediately to stop debate and call for the vote. Only the formal motion of the Previous Question and its adoption can do this.
- This motion may apply just to an amendment or any other subsidiary motion. If unqualified, it applies only to the immediately pending motion. If so stated, it may also apply to everything pending - back to the main motion.

Table (Lay on the Table)

- The motion to table may not be qualified in any way, for example, "I move to table the motion until tomorrow." It is always indefinite. If qualified in any way, it is actually a motion to postpone to a certain time.
- The above distinction is important, because a motion to table is not debatable, but a motion to postpone it to a certain time is debatable. The motion to table requires only a majority vote.

Reconsider

- This motion must be made by someone who voted on the winning side when the vote was taken on the motion it is proposed to reconsider. (It may be seconded by anyone.)
- This motion is in order only on the day the original vote was taken or the next succeeding day. After that the motion to rescind must be used.

PROPOSED STANDING RULES
58TH REGULAR CONVENTION
TEXAS DISTRICT, LCMS

1. The chair shall see that the agenda is followed as closely as possible.
2. Each member of the convention, when recognized by the chair, shall state his or her name, the congregation represented and its location, and indicate pastoral voting delegate, lay voting delegate or advisory delegate status.
3. Voting Delegate Procedures
 - a. Voting delegates must wear their badges at all sessions and sit in the section reserved for voting members.
 - b. Only delegates wearing voting delegate badges and seated in the section designated for them will be allowed to vote using the electronic voting system. Delegates may vote only on their assigned individual keypad.
 - c. Voting shall ordinarily be accomplished by use of an electronic response system that requires delegates to be in their seats during the times when such voting will occur. When the electronic system is not used, the Chair, on motions before the convention, shall request a voice vote or call for the raising of the right hand or use any other appropriate means of non-electronic voting.
4. Voting Delegates, Advisory Delegates, Guests
 - a. Only voting delegates may introduce motions, speak on the floor of the Convention and vote.
 - b. Advisory delegates may speak, but not vote.
 - c. Non-delegate guests may attend and observe convention sessions, but are entitled to neither voice nor vote while the Convention is in session.
 - d. Upon proper clearance by the registration chairman, a person registered as an alternate voting delegate may be transferred from alternate to voting delegate at any time during the business sessions of the convention and shall retain the position of voting delegate throughout the remainder of the convention.
5. Resolutions or motions from the convention floor, offered by voting delegates, may be brought to the attention of the delegates only between agenda items, as the chair moves to a new item on the agenda. Please address the chair, "Point of privilege, Mr. Chairman".
6. A motion from the floor of the convention must be presented in writing and signed by the delegate who offers the motion. A copy is to be handed both to the secretary and to the chair at or prior to the time of presentation of the motion.
7. Discussion will be limited to two minutes for each voting or advisory delegate on each motion or resolution. No one may speak more than twice to each question. If necessary, floor committees will be granted additional time for response to questions, provision of additional information, etc.

8. Any voting delegate may call the question at any time, except as stated in Item #9, below. After every thirty minutes of debate on any one motion, there shall be an automatic call of the question by the chair on the termination of debate. A 2/3-majority vote is required for the termination of debate.
9. Any voting delegate who has spoken to an issue may not call the question to cease debate at the end of his/her speech.
10. If a substitute motion is offered and seconded, the presenter shall be offered two minutes to provide the rationale for presenting it. The convention shall then decide by majority vote, without debate, whether or not to consider the substitute. If the decision is in the affirmative and the substitute motion is subsequently adopted, the original motion fails. If the substitute motion does not receive favorable action either to consider or to adopt, the original motion is again brought before the house. (This is the so-called Behnken Rule for dealing with substitute motions.)
11. The Chair shall have the privilege of calling up for action resolutions which, in his judgment, must be acted upon by the convention before adjournment.
12. Proposed resolutions prepared by the floor committees, which are not acted upon by the convention before adjournment, die.
13. Parliamentary Procedure
 - a. Unless covered by these standing rules of the convention, parliamentary procedure shall be governed by Roberts Rules of Order, Newly Revised, unless in conflict with the Bylaws of the Texas District and/or The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod.
 - b. The parliamentarian shall interpret the rules and advise the chair on parliamentary procedure when necessary and/or when asked to do so.
14. Announcements necessary during the convention should be handed to the pages, who will deliver them to the District Convention Office. At the chairman's discretion, announcements will be posted.
15. Use of sound producing or communication devices such as pagers and telephones are not permitted on the convention floor.

A PRIMER OF PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

A. PURPOSE OF PARLIAMENTARY LAW AND PROCEDURE

The purpose of parliamentary procedure is to carry out the aims of the assembly in an orderly and fair manner, to expedite business, to insure justice and fairness to all, both the majority and the minority.

It is not the purpose of parliamentary procedure to make the conduct of business in an assembly difficult, or to entangle an assembly in technicalities, or to provide a channel for individuals to flaunt their parliamentary knowledge.

Above all, there should be a spirit of Christian love and trust.

B. PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE AT A GLANCE

The motions or points listed below, 1 through 9, are in order of precedence. In other words:

- A. When any of them is pending, you may not introduce one listed below it.
- B. You may introduce one that is listed above it.

You want To:	You Say	May speaker be interrupted to make this motion?	Is Second Required ?	Is Motion Debatable?	Can This Motion be Amended?	Is Vote Required? What % Required?
1. Adjourn	I move we adjourn.	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
2. Recess	I move we recess.	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
3. Register a complaint	Point of privilege, Mr. Chairman.	Yes	No	No	No	No vote required
4. Suspend further consideration (To table)	I move to table this matter.	No	Yes	No	No	Majority
5. End discussion	I move the previous question.	No	Yes	No	No	2/3 vote
6. Postpone consideration	I move we postpone this matter until...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
7. Have further study on matter	I move we refer this matter to a committee.	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
8. Amend a motion	I move this be amended to read...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority
9. Introduce a matter of business	I move that...	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Majority

The items listed below are general points, proposals and motions, and they have no order of procedure over one another. You may introduce any one of them at any time, except:

- A. When a motion to adjourn is pending;
- B. When a motion to recess is pending;
- C. When a point of privilege is pending.

You Want To:	You Say:	May Speaker Be Interrupted to Make This Motion?	Is Second Required?	Is Motion Debatable	Can This Motion Be Amended?	Is Vote Required? What % Required?
1. Object to error in procedure due to a personal affront.	Point of Order	Yes	No	No	No	No
2. Request for information.	Point of Information.	Yes, if urgent	No	No	No	No
3. Verify voice vote by taking actual count.	I call for a division of the house.	No	No	No	No	No, unless someone objects; then majority
4. Object to consider a matter you think improper	I object to consideration of this question.	Yes	No	No	No	Yes - 2/3
5. Take up a matter which has been tabled.	I move we take from the table	No	Yes	No	No	Yes, majority
6. Reconsider matter already disposed of	I move we reconsider our action relative to...	Yes	Yes	Yes, if original motion was debatable	No	Majority
7. Consider matter out of scheduled order	I move we suspend rules and consider...	No	Yes	No	No	2/3
8. Vote on a ruling of the chair	I appeal the chair's decision.	Yes	Yes	Yes, if original motion was debatable	No	Majority