

STANDING RULES OF ORDER 119th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING EVANGELICAL COVENANT CHURCH OF CANADA

Governing Documents

The written authorities that govern the Annual General Meeting of the Evangelical Covenant Church of Canada are the Special Act of Parliament, the Evangelical Covenant Church of Canada Constitution and Bylaws, and Bourinot's Rules of Order. The Annual General Meeting of the ECCC is additionally governed by applicable rules of the Evangelical Covenant Church.

Standing Rules

Bourinot's Rules of Order allow for Standing Rules to supplement the provisions of Bourinot's to meet its specific needs. The Standing Rules provide guidance for this particular 119th Annual General Meeting setting for how items are dealt with generally. The Constitution and Bylaws and Bourinot's apply in every situation not specifically addressed by the Standing Rules of order. The Standing Rules require a two-thirds majority for adoption.

1. Consent Agenda - Items on the Consent Agenda are routine, procedural, informational, self-explanatory non-controversial items that require action but generally don't require discussion or debate. Acting on these items move the meeting along allowing for more time for substantive issues. Items may be removed from the consent agenda on the request of any one member. Items not removed may be adopted by general consent without debate. Any item taken off will be handled separately in the order it appears on the agenda.
2. Advisory Delegates - Advisory delegates shall have the privilege of voice, but not vote in the meeting.
3. Nominations from the floor - A nomination from the floor is only valid if the nominee has given permission to have his or her name placed in nomination and has provided a brief printed profile for the delegates. The nominee must be presented in writing to the Secretary at the beginning of the meeting.
4. Non-business agenda items - The Chair has discretion to revise the order of agenda items at appropriate times to accommodate scheduling needs.
5. Submission of Motions - All main motions and complex subsidiary motions shall be submitted in writing to the secretary.
6. Items of business not on the agenda - Items of business that are not on the proposed agenda may be submitted in writing by a delegate to the moderator. If the item submitted is in order, a majority vote of the delegates present and voting shall be required to place that item on the agenda.
7. Voting - Voting on motions will typically be by voice vote. Any delegate may request voting by ballot on any particular question. This request, when supported by ten percent of the delegates present and voting, will be implemented. The Chair may direct that voting be by ballot on any question.