

**UBCM Resolutions Process Report**



Presentation for 2010 Area Association Conferences

**Background & Process to Date**

- Resolution 2008- B137:
  - Each Area Association prioritize and submit 5 resolutions
  - UBCM Executive submit 25 resolutions
  - Develop tracking system for resolutions
- Process to date:
  - 2008: Resolution 2008- B137 forwarded to Executive
  - 2009: Policy Paper endorsed at Convention
  - 2009/2010: Development of Options
  - 2010: Discussion paper & survey to members
  - 2010: Policy Paper for consideration at Convention

**Member Consultation**

**Drafting of Discussion Paper**

- Interviews in November & December 2009
- Discussions with Executive in November 2009 & January 2010
- Convention Feedback Forms
- Feedback from SILGA Executive

**Amending Resolutions Process**

- Discussion paper with options
- Member survey
- Policy Paper- 2010 Convention



**UBCM Resolutions Process: Principles**

- Convention Will Continue to Have a Resolutions Session**
  - To ensure that the advocacy agenda remains based on debate and direction provided by all members at Convention
- No Limit on Resolutions Accepted from Members**
  - Recognized need to prioritize and reduce resolutions
  - Privilege of membership

**Proposed Changes for 2010**

- Process Changes
- On- Site Event Changes



**Placement & Grouping of Resolutions in the Resolutions Book**

- Resolutions formerly grouped by subject area
- Proposal- Resolutions grouped by:
  - Recommendations by the Resolutions Committee
  - Resolutions endorsed by Area Association

Extraordinary/Special Resolutions

A resolutions

B1 resolutions

B2 resolutions

a- endorse or endorse with proposed amendment

i. endorsed by AA

ii. Submitted to UBCM

b- not endorse

i. endorsed by AA

ii. Submitted to UBCM

c- no recommendation

i. endorsed by AA

ii. Submitted to UBCM

d- other recommendations as appropriate

B3 resolutions

same as for B2 resolutions

C resolutions

## + Move Grouped Resolutions as a Block (from B2 and B3 sections)

Extraordinary/Special Res  
A resolutions  
B1 resolutions

### B2 resolutions

- a- endorse or endorse with proposed amendment
  - i. endorsed by AA
  - ii. Submitted to UBCM
- b- not endorse
  - i. endorsed by AA
  - ii. Submitted to UBCM
- c- no recommendation
  - i. endorsed by AA
  - ii. Submitted to UBCM
- d- other recommendations as appropriate

Consider as a block

Consider individually

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B3 resolutions  
(same process as the B2 resolutions)  
C resolutions

## + 2010 Proposed Changes: Cont'd

■ Provincial Meetings & Resolutions Sessions

■ Additional Time for Resolutions Sessions

■ No Resolutions with the Recommendation "Pending Clarification from Sponsor"

■ Dedicated Blocks of Time for Resolutions



## + If No Opposing Speaker, Call the Question

### Proposed Procedure

1. Chair introduces resolution by reading number and title
2. Resolutions Committee member reads the enactment clause(s) and Resolutions Committee recommendation
3. Chair asks if anyone wishes to speak in opposition
4. If no opposing speakers, then Chair calls the question
5. If a delegate wishes to speak in opposition, then Chair invites sponsor to introduce resolution (3 minutes), followed by opposing speaker (2 minutes)
6. Debate consists of alternating speakers for or against
7. Once there are no more alternating speakers, then the question would be called

## Proposed Changes for 2011

## + 2011 Proposed Changes

- Resolutions Already Policy Not Debated At Convention
- Resolutions Follow Up/Tracking
- Reducing and Prioritizing Resolutions
- Reduce Speaker Time
- Official Convention Moved to Earlier in the Week or Full Week
- Specify time at which Resolutions 'Off the Floor' may be Debated
- Increase Threshold Required for Majority Vote

## Other issues



- Training for Resolutions Committee
- Attendance
- Electronic Voting
- Rules of Resolutions Process
- Resolutions 'Off the Floor'
- Motions to Amend the Order of Consideration of Resolutions

## + Next Steps

- Survey Deadline- **May 30, 2010**
- Policy Paper for member consideration at 2010 Convention
- If 2010 amendments are approved, will take effect for 2010 Convention

Thank you!

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