

## **Rules of the Constitutional Convention**

**Debate.** Debate on each section in question shall last for a specified predetermined amount of time. Debate shall not extend beyond this period. The debate shall consist of members of the general Student Body in turn verbally expressing their views on the subject in question. The speaking member shall stand upon being recognized, and those not so recognized must not be disruptive. The Chair shall determine the order of speakers by a method he deems fit. Debate on a single section may not last more than fifteen (15) minutes. The Convention shall not adjourn until all debates have been completed.

**Passage.** Upon expiration of the debate period, the Chair shall ask for the yeas and noes of those present for each Amendment, and by this determine the outcome of the vote. Any member may then request a recorded vote, one tenth of those present needed to consent to proceed. The Chair may not vote. Recorded votes shall be carried out by the Secretary. In the case of a tie vote, the Chair reserves the right to either break the tie or hold a re-vote. In the latter case, the Chair may decide to extend debate by no more than five (5) minutes. All votes are final. The group of eligible voters consists of current students of North Shore High School present at the Convention at the time the respective vote is taken. The Amendments shall be voted upon in the following order: first, sponsored Amendments in alphabetical order by last name of the sponsor; then general Amendments in order of numerical designation.

**Suspension of Rules.** A motion contrary to these rules may be passed if a two-thirds ( $\frac{2}{3}$ ) majority of those present consents to it by the above method.