## RULES OF ORDER GOVERNING AUCE CONVENTION

(Based on Bourinot's Rules, Union Constituion & Rules of Previous Convention.)

- 1. The final deadline for submission of all resolutions and constitutional amendments to the Provincial Executive is May 22/76.
- 2. Any resolution or proposed amendment to be accepted must be submitted by the executive committee or a body directly affiliated or chartered by this organization and signed by the presiding officer and secretary and bearing the official seal of the body submitting it. A resolution shall not deal with more than one subject, shall refer to the action which is proposed, and shall contain not more than one hundred and fifty words.
- 3. Resolutions and consitutional amendments received or submitted contrary to the above shall be referred to the Provincial Executive who may refer such proposals or proposal to the convention with the understanding that consideration is dependent upon two-thirds majority consent of the Convention.
- 4. Resolutions and constitutional amendments properly received by the Provincial Executive for consideration by the Convention shall be referred to the Constitution and Resolutions Committee. No later than 14 calendar days (May 30) prior to the Convention copies of resolutions and Constitutional amendments shall be distributed to those accredited delegates for whom the Provincial Executive has received notice in writing.
- 5. A quorum shall be a majority of registered delegates.
- 6. The President shall preside at the Convention, and in his or her absence, the Vice-President shall preside.
- 7. When a delegate wishes to speak she or he shall address the Chair. When recognised by the Chair she or he shall give her/his name and which Local she/he represents and indicate whether speaking for or against the motion.
- 8. No new item of business can be discussed until it has been moved and seconded.
- 9. An amendment to the main motion may be moved, provided it is seconded and is not contradictory to the main motion.
- 10. An amendment to the amendment (subamendment) may also be moved and seconded. When this happens voting is conducted in this order to:
  - 1. the subamendment
  - 2. the amendment
  - the main motion as amended.
- 11. Speeches shall be limited to 5 minutes except in moving a resolution, when the delegate shall be allowed 10 minutes.

- 12. A delegate shall not speak more than once upon a subject, until all who wish to speak have had an opportunity to do so.
- 13. A delegate shall not interrupt another except it be to call a point of order.
- 14. If a delegate be called to order, the delegate shall, at the request of the Chair, take her or his seat until the question of order has been decided.
- 15. Two delegates may appeal the decision of the Chair. The Chairperson shall then put the question thus: "Shall the decision of the Chair be sustained?" The question shall not be debatable except that the Chairperson and the challenger may make an explanation for their decisions.
- 16. In case of a tie vote, the Chairperson shall cast the deciding vote.
- 17. When the previous question is moved, no discussion or amendment of either motion is permitted. If the majority vote "that the question be now put," the original motion has to be put without debate. If the motion to put the question is defeated, discussion will continue on the original motion.
- 18. A delegate shall not move a motion to refer back after he or she has spoken on the question at issue.

(To commit is to refer the business under discussion to a committee for further study, for re-wording, for reconsideration, etc., and to instruct the committee to report back at a future time. It must be seconded and is not debatable. It may be amended by altering the committee or giving it instructions.)

- 19. A motion to refer back is not debatable and, when properly seconded, the question shall be immediately put to the Convention.
- 20. If the report of a Committee is adopted, it becomes the decision of the Convention. If defeated, it may be referred back to the Committee for reconsideration.
- 21. When a question is pending before the Convention, no motion shall be in order except to refer, for the previous question; to postpone for a definite time. If any of the foregoing motion is negated, it cannot be renewed until after an intermediate proceeding.
- 22. A motion may be reconsidered provided the mover of the motion to reconsider voted with the majority and notice of motion is given for consideration at the next sitting, and said notice of motion is supported by two-thirds of the delegates qualified to vote.

- 23. The Provincial Executive is empowered to establish the hours of the Convention.
- 24. On all matters not regulated by these Rules of Order, Bourinot's Rules of Order shall govern.