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1. Elect the Chair for the convention (first at county level, again at district caucus, and again for city caucus).
 2. Appeal any ruling by the Chair, which may then be overturned by a majority (over 50%).
 3. Immediately request a counted vote if results of a voice vote are not abundantly clear.
 4. Request that a ballot or roll call vote be taken for close votes, subject to majority approval.
 5. Debate any motion until 2/3 of the assembly agrees to vote on that particular question.
 6. Debate a motion without any limits whatsoever unless 2/3 of the assembly agrees to specified limits.
 7. Accept nominations until 2/3 of the assembly agrees to close nominations.
 8. Suspend previously adopted rules upon approval of 2/3 of the assembly.
 9. Table a motion - possibly for later consideration - to consider other business first, with majority approval.
 10. Temporarily set a motion aside until a specified time, subject to majority approval.
 11. Refer any question to a committee to meet separately and then report their recommendation (50%+).
 12. Accept, amend, or refuse any committee recommendation by a majority (that is, 50% or more).
 13. Amend any proposed motion or rule by striking out or inserting (or both), with majority approval.
 14. Propose a specific course of action by making a main motion when no other motion is pending.
 15. Decide to end the convention at a specified time, by majority approval, but subject to later reconsideration.
 16. End the county convention, district caucus, or city caucus - after business is completed - by majority vote.
 17. Request a temporary recess from continuing the business at hand until a specified time, by majority.
 18. Interrupt a fellow member when urgency is required to ensure that facts, rules, and rights are observed.
 19. Inquire about a specific rule that may be relevant to current business, or potentially related business.
 20. Demand that any rule in question be accurately interpreted and properly applied.
 21. Question or confirm information that pertains to a motion, the business at hand, or the convention process.
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