PRACTICAL POINTERS ON PARLIAMENTARY PROCEDURE

The motions or points listed below (1-9), are in order of precedence.

In other words: A. When any one of them is pending, you cannot introduce one that is listed below it. B. You can introduce one listed above it.

You Want To:	You Say:	Interrupt?	Second?	Debatable?	Amended?	What % Vote?
1. Adjourn	"I move we adjourn at"	NO	YES	NO	NO	MAJORITY
2. Recess	"I move we recess until"	NO	YES	NO	YES	MAJORITY
3. Register a complaint	"Point of privilege Mr. Chairman"	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO VOTE
						(Chair Decides)
4. Suspend further	"I move we table this matter"	NO	YES	NO	NO	MAJORITY
consideration to a						
matter (to table)						
5. End discussion or	"I move the previous question"	NO	YES	NO	NO	2/3
debating of a matter						
6. Postpone	"I move we postpone this until"	NO	YES	YES	YES	MAJORITY
consideration of a						
matter						
7. Have further study	"I move we refer matter to committee"	NO	YES	YES	YES	MAJORITY
8. Amend a motion	"I move motion be amended to read"	NO	YES	YES	YES	MAJORITY
9. Introduce motion	"I move that"	NO	YES	YES	YES	MAJORITY

These are general points, proposals, and motions and have no order of precedence over on another. You may introduce any one of them at any time except when 1,2 or 3 is pending.

You Want To:	You Say:	Interrupt?	Second?	Debatable?	Amended?	What % Vote?
10. Object to error or personal	"Point of order"	YES	NO	NO	NO	NO VOTE
affront						(chair decides)
11. Request for information	"Point of information"	URGENT?	NO	NO	NO	NO VOTE
12. Verify voice vote, taking	"I call for division of the house"	NO	NO	NO	NO	NO VOTE
actual count						UNLESS OBJ.
						MAJORITY

You Want To:	You Say:	Interrupt?	Second?	Debatable?	Amended?	What % Vote?
13. Object to consideration of	"I object to consideration of this	YES	NO	NO	NO	2/3
matter you consider improper	question"					
or undiplomatic						
14. Take up a tabled matter	"I move we take from the table"	NO	YES	NO	NO	MAJORITY
15. Reconsider something	"I move we reconsider our action	FOR	YES	WAS	NO	MAJORITY
already disposed of	relative to"					
16.Consider something out of	"I move we suspend the rule and	NO	YES	NO	NO	2/3
scheduled order	consider"					
17.Vote on chair's ruling	"I appeal the chair's decision"	YES	YES	WAS	NO	MAJORITY
				ORIGINAL?		

We don't use all of the motions in every meeting. Generally the motions most commonly made are 1,7,8,9 &12 by our student council. These come from Robert's Rules for governing and are stated in our constitution as to what run's our meetings.