

## **RULES FOR FPSU CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION**

January 9, 2010

1. Badges shall be worn at all times.
2. Only FPSU members can speak on the floor and vote.
3. We will operate under Robert's Rules of Order.
4. A motion must precede any discussion of an issue and a motion must be seconded.
5. The Committee on the Future shall present its recommendation as a motion to the body and it will require a second.
6. The floor will be open for discussion on the Committee on the Future motion for no more than one hour and fifteen minutes (75 minutes). Any extension of this time period will require a motion that is seconded, and a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the body to extend debate.
7. Any member wishing to speak on the motion should go to a microphone to be recognized by the chair. Speakers should identify themselves by name and bargaining unit. Each speaker will have a 1-1/2 minute (90 seconds) time limit.
8. Any member wishing to make an amendment to a motion must prepare the amendment in writing and be recognized at a microphone. The motion will require a second. Debate time on amendments will be limited to no more than ten minutes. In order for the motion to amend to pass, a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the body is required.
9. Any member wishing to end debate must be recognized at a microphone, make the motion, "I move to end debate" or "I move the previous question," and get a second. There is no debate on such a motion. A two-thirds (2/3) vote is required to end debate.
10. The final vote on the Constitution and Bylaws is by majority, voice vote. The vote will be called in this order: (First) "All those in favor say "YES" and hold up the GREEN card. (Secondly) "All those opposed say "NO" and hold up a RED card. The chair shall declare the outcome of the vote. Any member disputing the vote can call for a standing vote.