



SPECIAL RULES OF ORDER FOR THE 2020 BAC CONVENTION

Rule 1. Pursuant to Article XIII, Section A of the BAC Constitution, Rules of Order and Codes, to the extent that any of these Special Rules of Order for the 2020 BAC Convention (“Special Rules”) conflicts in whole or in part with any Convention Rule set forth in the Appendix to the Constitution (“Standing Rule”), the Standing Rule shall be suspended and the Special Rule shall prevail.

Rule 2. The Convention order of business shall be limited to the items on the Program. The President shall have the authority to amend or alter the order of business.

Rule 3. The Convention shall dispense with Reports from any Committee to which no resolution or other item of business has been referred.

Rule 4. The Convention shall be a fully online Convention conducted using the BAC 2020 Convention Platform at bacconvention.org (“Convention Platform”) and the BAC 2020 Convention App (“Convention App”). Certain references in the Constitution, Rules of Order and Codes to physical actions or arrangements shall be interpreted by the Chair to have the closest sensible meaning in our online platform. References to the Convention Hall or rooms or other physical space shall mean the Convention Platform or meeting rooms therein; references to posting, publishing, distributing or any other action related to disseminating information or documents, including posting in the Convention Hall, shall mean posting through the Convention Platform or App. To the extent a signature is required for any Convention business, providing a signature by digital means will suffice.

Rule 5. Participation in the Convention shall be limited to Delegates, authorized staff, and guests invited by the BAC President or Executive Board. All Delegates are required to have registered in advance of this Convention, in accordance with the registration instructions.

Rule 6. For items on the Program where questions or discussion is permitted, Delegates shall use the recognition feature of the Convention Platform. Use of chat or question submission features shall not constitute recognition for debate or questions; Delegates must be recognized by the Chair to ask a question or speak in debate.

Rule 7. Upon recognition, Delegates shall identify themselves, by stating their name and Local or ADC

Rule 8. All voting, other than election voting, shall be conducted through the virtual polling feature on the Convention Platform, with Delegates selecting their preferred digital option, unless a vote by unions has been called for as provided in Article XI, Section (A)(6) of the IU Constitution.

Rule 9. After Delegates have voted, the Chair shall declare whether the question is carried or defeated. At the request of any Delegate made before the Union proceeds to other business, the Chair shall release the count of Delegates voting in favor of the question and voting against the question. There shall be no vote by yeas and nays of the delegates.

Rule 10. Motions shall be limited. Except for a Motion to Adjourn, none of the Motions described in Standing Rules 11, 12, or 16 shall be permitted from the Delegates.