

In Support of Replacing Robert's Rules

These changes have been suggested by the equity committee and the VP of Equity and Inclusion. This rule system is similar to what we have been using this past year, but simplified and doesn't rely on an external [669 page book](#). One of the pieces of feedback we have gotten is that our rule system is alienating to members of several different cultures specifically because of its rigid formality. Though Robert's Rules has some good points – it does keep our meetings rolling and orderly – the intricacy and formality of the rule set is difficult for new members, and keeps power of the meeting disproportionately in the hands of individuals who know the rules. By creating a modified and simplified set of these rules, we hope to accomplish the good parts of Robert's Rules while maintaining a meeting space that feels welcoming to all members and is quick and easy to learn.