

RULES CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING

JUNE 26, 2026

The Rules Convention Committee meeting was called to order by Chairman Dan Cooper at 10:03 AM in Meeting Rooms 1 & 2 of the Doubletree Convention Center in Battle Creek Michigan.

DISTRICTS PRESENT: 1,2,3,6,8,9,10,12,18,19

GUESTS: 14

Motion to elect Chair, Dan Cooper, Approved

Motion to elect 2<sup>nd</sup> Chair, Brett Holt, Approved

Motion to elect Secretary Jim Wallis, Approved

Resolution #26-16 was withdrawn by Author. A motion and second was made to add the this resolution to the rules. The motion passed with 7 ayes and 3 no votes This item was added as rule 25.

Convention rules changes were introduced by Chairman Dan Cooper, after much discussion, motion and second, vote was approved with 1 exception.

Being no further business to come before this committee the meeting adjourned, at 1037 am.

Respectfully Submitted

Dan Cooper, Chairman

M/COOPER

2/ COOK 5<sup>ND</sup> DIST  
to ADOPT the  
minutes - PASSED

**RULES CONVENTION COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**JULY 11, 2025**

The meeting of the Rules Convention Committee meeting was called to order by temporary chair Barry Wood at 10:05 a.m. in the Grand Island 1 room, Kewadin Casino , Sault Saint Marie, Michigan.

**DISTRICTS PRESENT:** 3, 4, 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, 16 and 19

**GUESTS:** 12

There was a quorum.

Motion made by 19<sup>th</sup> and seconded by <sup>5<sup>th</sup></sup> to elect Barry Wood as permanent Chairman.  
Motion carried.

Motion made by 9<sup>th</sup> and seconded by 19<sup>th</sup> to elect David Yahr as permanent Secretary.  
Motion carried.

Motion to approve previous minutes from <sup>JULY</sup> ~~June~~ 12, 2024, made by 9<sup>th</sup> and seconded by 3<sup>rd</sup>. Motion carried.

<sup>JULY</sup> Chair noted that the rules in the booklet are from 2023. Per the 2024 adoption of the ~~June~~ 12, 2024 minutes, Rules 12 and 16 the "shall" was changed to "may" and Rule 26: all after "purpose" was deleted. <sup>first</sup>

Discussion on Rule 3: There was a discussion on the verbiage of guests versus members in good standing. Motion made by 19<sup>th</sup> to change verbiage to read: Admission to the floor of the Convention shall be confined to delegates and alternates only except for special guests recognized by the Department Commander. All members in good standing are allowed to sit with their District on the floor, without voice or vote. Motion carried.

Being no further business, motion to adjourn at 10:30 am. By 10<sup>th</sup>, seconded by 9<sup>th</sup>.  
Motion carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barry Wood, Chairman