

MGAPS General Assembly Rules of Order

The Rules of Order of the General Assembly are the same as used by the PGSS Council. The complete list of Rules can be found at:
www.pgss.mcgill.ca/ORIENT/roo.html

Voting on a motion:

- The speaker reads the motion.
- The mover (author of the motion) is allowed to introduce the motion
- People will raise their hand and speak in the order in which they appear on the speaker's list. People may interrupt the speaker and anyone else if and only if they wish to make a point of order, or a point of personal privilege (such as 'I can't hear you, could you speak louder').
- People can: Debate, Ask questions, Propose an amendment to the motion
- After the speaker's list is exhausted, the mover is given the opportunity to summarize the motion and results of the debate.
- The speaker reads the motion (amended or not)
- The motion is called to a vote.

Please note:

- Each person is only allowed to debate a motion once.
- One can ask as many questions about the motions as one wants.
- The debate for each motion will not last more than 10 minutes. If the Assembly judges it necessary, debate can be extended by 5 minutes by a 2/3 majority vote of the Assembly.
- Anybody can stop the debate by calling the vote on the motion. If 2/3 of the Assembly agrees on calling the vote, all debate ceases and the vote on the motion is carried out.

Agenda:

- Nothing will be added to the agenda. If you feel that you have an important issue, talk to the executives and your motion will be brought up at the next GA. In
- If you think that your motion cannot wait till the next GA, you will require three things to add it to the agenda as an emergency motion:
 - Serious reason for not submitting the motion within the appropriate time frame.
 - Demonstrate need for having to vote on the motion before the next General Assembly.
 - A 2/3 majority of the Assembly.