

**REPUBLICAN PARTY
LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT ELEVEN
"The Heartland District"**

January 10, 2006

Regular Scheduled Meeting
Second Tuesday of the Month

Arizona American Italian Club
7509 North 12th Street, Phoenix

Buffet Dinner, Lounge,

5:45 p.m. to 6:45pm

Meeting, Large Hall, 7:00 p.m.

Chairman, Rob Haney
1st Vice Chairman, John Acer
2nd Vice Chairman, Don Hesselbrock
Treasurer, George Teegarden
Corresponding Secretary, Carolyn Berta
Recording Secretary, Charlotte Reed

Dinner:

Social Hour is during the buffet dinner 5:45-6:45pm

Ten dollars (\$10), at the door.

One Minute Remarks from PCs.....Chairman

Closing Remarks, Raffle Drawing,
and Adjournment.....Chairman

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MINUTES

(TO BE HANDED OUT AT THE MEETING)

A Note from Rob Haney, District Chairman

For meetings of the precinct committeemen of Legislative District 11 to be productive and motivating, it is essential that they be conducted well. While the officers bear the primary responsibility for the success of a meeting, the orderly participation of the members at large is essential as well. Our Bylaws establish Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised, as the parliamentary authority for the conduct of our meetings. Since most of us can benefit from a review of Robert's Rules I have asked our parliamentarian to provide a monthly perspective on some pertinent aspect of the rules. The following "Parliamentary Moment" is fourth in the series.

A Parliamentary Moment January 2006

The Rules of Debate

Speaking Limits in Debate

You may speak in debate twice on any debatable motion up to ten minutes each. These limits apply to any organization that has not adopted special rules setting other limits. You cannot "save" time or transfer it to someone else. However, you can choose to let people ask you questions on your time.

Preference in Recognition during Debate

As a general rule, the chair should recognize as the next speaker the person who rises first after the previous speaker has finished and sat down. A member cannot establish entitlement to the floor by rising or signaling for recognition while another member is speaking. However, there are three common exceptions to this general rule:

- Normally, the maker of the motion is the first to speak on it immediately after the chair has stated the motion.
- Someone who has not yet spoken on the motion has preference over anyone who seeks a second time to speak.
- The chair should try to alternate between speakers who favor and those who oppose the motion being debated.

Stick to the Subject

In debate, your speech must be germane to the motion under discussion. Going off on irrelevant topics is not in order.

Debate Issues, Not Personalities

One of the most important rules of debate is that the motion, not the member, is the subject of debate. Vigorous debate about the merits of a motion is central to the very idea of a deliberative assembly and will more likely bring the group to a wise decision. Criticizing an opponent's reasoning is acceptable, but criticizing the opponent personally is not. Under no circumstances can the motives of another member be attacked or questioned.

Formalities That Avoid Personalities

To decrease the danger that debate could become personal, it is important that you address your comments to the chair, not directly to other members. This is done even if a question is to be answered by another member. And, as much as possible, avoid using the names of other members in debate. However, in practice, the degree of formality actually used often varies with the circumstances of the meeting and the nature of the group.

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**TREASURER'S REPORT
(corrected 01-05-05)**

Post Meeting Treasurer's Report Date: 13-Dec-05

Item	Subtotal	Total
Bank Balance at end of Previous meeting		\$708.00
Club Expenses paid during previous month		
Club Income during previous month		
Balance before meeting		708.00
Income This Meeting:		
29 Dinners: @ \$10.00 ea	290.00	
Cost _____ (25 minimum) @ \$7.50 ea	217.50	
Gratuity (\$25)	25.00	
Net Dinner income (expense)		47.50
50/50 Raffle:		
Total Sales:	58.00	
less Winner's half:	29.00	
Net Raffle Income:		29.00
1100 Club Contributions:		
Other Contributions 29 & 5	34.00	
Total income (expense) at meeting close:		110.50
Bank Balance at end of Current meeting		\$818.50
Total PC Membership	389	
Quorum (15%)	58	
Attendance (from sign-in sheets)		
Precinct Committeemen	61	
Guests	5	