

Path of YMCA Legislation

1. Introduce a Bill.
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3. First reading of the Bill.
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5. Senate Amendments read and adopted. (If any)
6. Engrossment. (Adoption of House Amendments)
7. Enactment.

Correct way to recognize a member

President is responsible for deciding which member will be recognized when more than one rise to speak at the same time

MEMBER: Mr./Madam President!

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam President, I'm **(Name)** from **(High School)**.

Remind members that they are to introduce themselves and their school

1. Introduce the Bill

PRESIDENT: The Secretary will introduce the next bill.

SECRETARY: The next bill to be considered is bill number _____ from the committee on _____.
The committee report is _____.

2. Accept the Committee Report

PRESIDENT: Is there a motion before the Senate?
The Chair recognizes the Senator....

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MEMBER: I move we accept the Majority _____ report.

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the Senate to accept the Majority _____ report?
If someone does rise before you bang the gavel, stop and recognize that person for debate on the bill
(Gavel) It's a vote!

3. First Reading of the Bill

PRESIDENT: The Secretary will read the bill. (If bill is dead don't read the bill)

SECRETARY: An Act...(Continue reading until President gavels).

PRESIDENT: Senator _____ moves that further reading of the bill be dispensed with. Is this the pleasure of the Senate? (Gavel) It's a vote.

4. Adopt the Committee Amendment

PRESIDENT: The Secretary will read the Committee amendments.

SECRETARY: Amend the bill by striking out line _____ and inserting in its place the following:
(Continue reading until the President gavels).

PRESIDENT: Senator _____ moves that further reading of the Committee amendment be dispensed with. Is this the pleasure of the Senate? (Gavel) It's a vote.

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the Senate the Committee amendment be adopted? (Gavel)
It's a vote.

5. Senate Amendments

PRESIDENT: The Chair would inquire if there are any Senate amendments to be offered at this time?

MEMBER: Mr./Madam President!

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam President, I present an amendment and move for its passage.

PRESIDENT: The chair would ask the Senator to get an amendment form from the Secretary.

The amendment must be presented to the Secretary on the Senate Amendment form

PRESIDENT: The Senator presents an amendment and moves for its passage. The Secretary will read the amendment in its entirety.

SECRETARY: (Read the entire amendment)

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the Senate this Senate amendment be adopted? (Gavel)
It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: Are there any more Senate amendments to be offered at this time? Seeing none...(Next step is Engrossment)

Repeat until there are no other amendments

6. Engrossment

PRESIDENT: The pending question is Passage to be Engrossed. Is it the pleasure of the Senate that this bill be Passed to be Engrossed? (Gavel) It's a vote!

7. Enactment

PRESIDENT: This bill having been read and having been Passed to be Engrossed, is it now the pleasure of the Senate that this bill be Passed to be Enacted? (Gavel) It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: It will be signed by the President and sent to the (House of Representatives or Governor).

Votes

1. Under the Gavel

If no member has requested a Voice Vote or a Division, then at the end of any motion you can put the motion under the gavel

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the Senate to accept the Majority Ought to Pass report?
(Gavel) It's a vote!

2. Voice Vote

If a member stands before the gavel is dropped recognize them and allow them to ask for either the clarification or request a Voice Vote or Division

MEMBER: I call for a voice vote.

PRESIDENT: The Senator has called for a voice vote. The pending question is acceptance of the (MOTION ON THE FLOOR) all those in favor say Yea. (Pause) All those opposed say Nay.

PRESIDENT: The Yeas/Nays have it and the motion to accept the (MOTION ON THE FLOOR) Passes/Fails.

3. Division (takes precedence)

Any member may request a Division at anytime during debate on a bill, the President may also call for a Division

MEMBER: I call for a division.

PRESIDENT: The Senator has called for a division. The pending question is acceptance of the (MOTION PENDING) All those in favor will rise and remain standing until the count is complete. *(Gavel to sit)*

PRESIDENT: All those opposed will rise and remain standing until the count is complete.
(Gavel to sit)

(If the result of the vote is obvious)

PRESIDENT: Seeing a clear majority in the _____, the motion **(passes / fails)**

(If count is needed)

PRESIDENT: _____ having voted in the affirmative and _____ in the negative, the motion to accept the (MOTION PENDING) report **(Passes/Fails.)**

Votes

Constitutional Amendment

2/3 vote required

PRESIDENT: This resolution having been read, and having been passed to be engrossed, is it now the pleasure of the Senate that it be finally passed?

PRESIDENT: This being a Resolution proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine, under the terms of the constitution it requires for final passage the affirmative vote of two-thirds the members of the Senate present and voting. The Chair will call for a division.

PRESIDENT: All those in favor will rise and remain standing until the count is complete.
(Gavel to sit)

PRESIDENT: All those opposed will rise and remain standing until the count is complete.
(Gavel to sit)

PRESIDENT: ____ having voted in the affirmative and ____ in the negative, ____ being *more/less* than two-thirds present, the resolution *is finally passed/fails final passage*.

(2/3 majority is 24 or more)

Moving the Previous Question

**“Moving the Previous Question” forces an immediate vote,
it is not debatable and it
requires only a simple majority to pass.**

MEMBER: Mr./Madam President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam President. I move the previous question.

PRESIDENT: The Senator has moved the previous question. The pending question is to end debate. Is it the pleasure of the Senate to end debate? (Gavel) It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: The pending question is (PENDING MOTION) Is it the pleasure of the Senate that (PENDING MOTION) ? (Gavel) It's a vote!

Motion to Reconsider

This is a motion used by a member of the Senate if it wants to go back and redo an action that it has already done. Any action of the Senate on a bill may be reconsidered.

MEMBER: Mr./Madam President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam President. I move we reconsider our action whereby **(ACTION TO BE RECONSIDERED)**

PRESIDENT: The Senator has moved we reconsider our action whereby **(ACTION TO BE RECONSIDERED)** The chair would inquire how the Senator voted on **(THAT MOTION)?**

MEMBER: I voted yes.

MEMBER: *I voted no.*

PRESIDENT: The pending question is reconsideration. Is it the pleasure of the Senate that we reconsider our action whereby **(ACTION TO BE RECONSIDERED)?** (Gavel) It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: *The Senator is out of order.*

PRESIDENT: The pending question is **(ACTION THAT WAS RECONSIDERED)** is it the pleasure of the Senate that this bill be **(ACTION THAT WAS RECONSIDERED)?** (Gavel) It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: *Continue as though a motion to reconsider was not made.*

- Undoes last Vote!
- Yes to Reconsideration → → Take last vote again.
- No to Reconsideration → → Continue.

Suspension of the Rules

Suspension of the rules is a tool used by legislators to do something that would not normally be allowed under parliamentary procedure. For example:

- A) Considering a bill out of order from the posted Calendar
- B) Offering an amendment at a time not proper for amendments
- C) Requesting to speak a third time on the same issue
- D) Allow members to remove ties and jackets on warm days

Suspension of the Rules is not a common practice

MEMBER: Mr./Madam President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam President. I move we suspend the rules for the purpose of _____.

PRESIDENT: The Senator has moved that we suspend the rules for the purpose of _____. Is there any objection to suspending the rules?

MEMBER: I object.

MEMBER: *If no member objects...*

PRESIDENT: Hearing objection, the Chair will order a division. Suspension of the rules requires the affirmative vote of two-thirds the members present and voting.

PRESIDENT: *(Gavel) It's a vote! (Announce that the rule has been suspended and take appropriate action)*

PRESIDENT: The pending question is the motion to suspend the rules. All those in favor will rise and remain standing until the count is complete. (Gavel to sit)

PRESIDENT: All those opposed will rise and remain standing until the count is complete. (Gavel to sit)

PRESIDENT: ____ having voted in the affirmative and ____ in the negative, ____ being more/less than two-thirds, the motion to suspend the rules Passes/Fails.

(2/3 is 24 or more)

- **Not Debatable** (member trying to debate is out of order)

Non-Concurrent Matters

1. A bill is a Non-Concurrent Matter when the Senate and House don't agree.
2. Three motions are in order:
 - Recede and Concur - Agree with the House.
 - Insist and Ask for a Committee of Conference - Meet and try to compromise.
 - Adhere - Stick with your original action.

PRESIDENT: Non-Concurrent Matter.

SECRETARY: Bill number _____ is a non-concurrent matter. The Senate voted _____ and the House voted _____.

PRESIDENT: Is there a motion before the Senate?

MEMBER: I move that the Senate Recede and Concur / Adhere.

MEMBER: *I move that the Senate Insist and Ask for a Committee of Conference.*

PRESIDENT: The Senator has moved that the Senate Recede and Concur / Adhere. Is this the pleasure of the Senate? (Gavel) It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: The Senator moved that the Senate Insist and Ask for a Committee of Conference. Is this the pleasure of the Senate? (Gavel) It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: The Chair would appoint that Senator, that Senator and that Senator to the Committee of Conference on this Bill. I will inform you when it is time for you to meet.

You must appoint two people who are in favor of the action the Senate took and one person who is opposed the action the Senate took.

Veto

All bills that are passed to be enacted in both the Senate and House go to the Governor. If the Governor decides to veto a bill. The Senate may request that the Governor come and make remarks in reference to his / her Veto

Go get the Youth Governor

MEMBER: Mr./Madam President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr. /Madam President. I present an order and move its passage.

PRESIDENT: The Senator presents an order and moves its passage. The Secretary will read the order.

SECRETARY: Be it ordered that a committee be formed to wait upon the Youth Governor, the Honorable Will Sharood and inform him/her that the members of the Senate are present and await his/her remarks on her veto of Bill number _____.

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the Senate that this order receive passage? (Gavel) It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: The Chair appoints the Secretary and the Sergeant-at-Arms to deliver the message. The Senate will be at ease pending their return.

The Secretary will walk down to the Governor's Office and deliver the following message:

SECRETARY: Governor Will Sharood, we are pleased to inform you that the members of the Senate are assembled and wish to invite you for the purpose of hearing your remarks on your veto of bill number _____.

Y GOVERNOR: Thank you. I will attend forthwith.

The Secretary will walk back to the Senate and deliver the following message:

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Secretary of the Senate.

SECRETARY: Mr. /Madam President we have delivered the message with which we were charged and the Youth Governor reported that he/she would attend forthwith.

PRESIDENT: The Chair hears the message and the Senate thanks the messengers. The Senate will be at ease pending the arrival of the Youth Governor.

When the Youth Governor is at the door.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) The Senate will come to order!

PRESIDENT: The Chair is pleased to recognize the Youth Governor, the Honorable Will Sharood (3 strikes of the gavel)

Shake the Youth Governor's hand and take a seat to your right.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) (To sit the members down)

Y GOVERNOR: (Remarks on Veto)

Shake the Youth Governor's hand extend your appreciation.

PRESIDENT: The Senate thanks the Youth Governor, the Honorable Will Sharood.
(3 Gavels)

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) (To sit the members down)

Vetoes

Voting on a Veto

PRESIDENT: Governor's Veto

SECRETARY: Bill number _____ is a Governor's veto. This bill was Passed to be Enacted in both the Senate and the House and has been returned to this body by the Governor without a signature.

PRESIDENT: The pending question is "Shall this bill become a law, notwithstanding the objections of the Governor?"

PRESIDENT: According to Article 4, Part Third, Section 2 of the Constitution, a two-thirds vote of the members present and voting is necessary to override the objections of the Governor.

PRESIDENT: The vote will be taken by Division.

PRESIDENT: A vote of YES will be in favor of *overriding* the Governor's veto of this bill and a vote of NO will be in favor of *sustaining* the Governor's veto.

PRESIDENT: Is the Senate ready for the question? All those in favor of OVERRIDING the Governor's veto, will please rise and remain standing until the count is complete. (Gavel to sit)

PRESIDENT: All those in favor of SUSTAINING the Governor's veto, will please rise and remain standing until the count is complete. (Gavel to sit)

Less than two-thirds

PRESIDENT: _____ having voted in the affirmative and _____ in the negative, _____ being less than two-thirds of those members voting, the veto is sustained and the bill dies.

More than two-thirds

PRESIDENT: _____ having voted in the affirmative and _____ in the negative, _____ being more than two-thirds of those members voting, the veto is overridden in the Senate and will be sent to the Senate.

Opening Ceremonies

Swearing in

MEMBER: Mr./Madam President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam President. I present an order and move its passage

PRESIDENT: The Senator presents an order and moves its passage. The Secretary will read the order.

SECRETARY: Be it ordered that a message be sent to the Youth Governor, the Honorable Edward Sharood, to inform him/her that a quorum of the members-elect of the Maine State Senate have assembled in the Senate Chamber and requests his/her attendance to administer to them the oaths required to qualify them to enter upon their official duties.

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the Senate that this order receive passage? (Gavel) It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: The Chair will appoint the Secretary of the Senate and the Sergeant-at-Arms to deliver the message. The Senate will be at ease pending their return.

The Secretary will now walk to the Youth Governor's Office and deliver the following message:

SECRETARY: We are pleased to inform you that a quorum of the members-elect of the Maine Senate has assembled in the Senate Chambers and requests your attendance to administer to them the oaths required to qualify them to enter upon their official duties.

YOUTH GOVERNOR: Thank you. I will attend forthwith.

*The Secretary will now walk back to the Senate and deliver the following message:
When the Secretary is just inside the door*

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Secretary of the Senate.

SECRETARY: Mr./Madam President, we have delivered the message with which we were charged and the Youth Governor reported that he/she would attend forthwith.

PRESIDENT: The Chair hears the message and the Senate thanks the messengers. The Senate will be at ease pending the arrival of the Youth Governor.

Opening Ceremonies

Oath of Office

When the Youth Governor is at the door:

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) The Senate will come to order!

PRESIDENT: The Chair is pleased to recognize the Youth Governor, the Honorable Edward Sharood (3 Gavels)

Shake the Youth Governor's hand and stand off to your right.

Y GOVERNOR: Raise your right hand and repeat after me.

Y GOVERNOR: I (state your name)
do swear,
that I will support the constitution
of the United States and of this state,
so long as I shall continue
a citizen thereof.
So help me god.

Y GOVERNOR: I (state your name)
do swear,
that I will faithfully discharge,
to the best of my abilities,
the duties incumbent upon me
as a member of the 2011 YMCA
Youth in Government Senate
according to the constitution
and laws of the state.
So help me god.

Y GOVERNOR: Congratulations.

Shake the Youth Governor's hand and extend your appreciation.

PRESIDENT: The Senate thanks the Youth Governor, the Honorable Edward Sharood (3 Gavels)

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) (To sit the members down)

Opening Ceremonies

Going to the House for Joint Convention

(Takes place in the House only)

MEMBER: Mr./Madam Speaker.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam Speaker. I present an order and move its passage.

SPEAKER: The representative presents an order and moves for its passage. The Clerk will read the order.

CLERK: Be it ordered that a message be sent to the Honorable members of the Maine State Senate to inform them that a quorum exists in the hall of the House and we are ready to receive them, in order to conduct the official opening of the 2011 State YMCA of Maine Youth in Government Program.

SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that this order receive passage? (Gavel) It's a vote!

SPEAKER: The Chair will appoint the Clerk of the House and the Sergeant-at-Arms to deliver the message. The House will be at ease pending their return.

The Clerk will now walk down to the Senate and deliver the following message:

Begins the Senate Part of the Opening Ceremonies

PRESIDENT: The Senate will come to Order, (Gavel)
The Chair recognizes the Clerk of the House

CLERK: Mr./Madam President, we are pleased to inform you that the members of the State YMCA of Maine 2011 Youth in Government House of Representatives are assembled in the Hall of the House, and wish to invite the members of the Senate to join them for the official opening of the 2011 Youth in Government Program.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The Senate will attend forthwith.

The Clerk will now walk back to the House and deliver the following message:

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the Senate to convene a Joint Convention. (GAVEL)
It is a vote.
(Have the senate line up in two lines, the President and Secretary should lead)

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Clerk of the House.

CLERK: Mr./Madam Speaker, we have delivered the message with which we were charged and the Senate reported that they would attend forthwith.

SPEAKER: The Chair hears the message and the House thanks the messengers. The House will be at ease pending the arrival of the Senate.

Waiting for the Senate to arrive.

Opening Ceremonies

Joint Convention

When the Senate is at the door

SPEAKER: (Gavel) The House will come to order!

SPEAKER: The Chair is pleased to recognize the Members of the Maine State Senate.
(3 Gavels)

Shake the President's hand and take a seat to your right.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) The Convention will come to order!

Go get the Youth Governor

MEMBER: Mr./Madam President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam President. I present an order and move its passage.

PRESIDENT: The Senator presents an order and moves for its passage. The Secretary will read the order.

SECRETARY: Be it ordered that a committee be formed to wait upon the Youth Governor, the Honorable Edward Sharood and inform him/her that the participants of the 2011 YMCA Youth in Government Program are convened in the Hall of the House, and wish to invite him/her to join them for the official opening of the 2011 Youth in Government Program.

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the convention that this order receive passage? (Gavel) It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: The Chair appoints the Secretary, the Clerk and the Sergeants-at-Arms of both the Senate and the House to deliver the message. The Convention will be at ease pending their return.

Opening Ceremonies

The Committee will walk down to the Senate and deliver the following message:

SECRETARY: Governor Sharood, we are pleased to inform you that the members of the State YMCA of Maine 2011 Youth in Government Program are convened in the Hall of the House and wish to invite you to join them for the official opening of the 2011 Youth in Government Program.

Y GOVERNOR: Thank you. I will attend forthwith.

The Committee will walk back to the House and deliver the following message:

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Clerk of the House.

SECRETARY: Mr./Madam President, we have delivered the message with which we were charged and the Youth Governor reported that he/she would attend forthwith.

PRESIDENT: The Chair hears the message and the Convention thanks the messengers. The Convention will be at ease pending the arrival of the Youth Governor.

When the Youth Governor is at the door.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) The Convention will come to order!

PRESIDENT: The Chair is pleased to recognize the Youth Governor, the Honorable Edward Sharood. (3 Gavels)

Shake the Youth Governor's hand and ask him/her to sit to your left.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) The Convention will come to order!

Opening Ceremonies

Go get Governor Lepage

(or any other person invited to speak)

MEMBER: Mr./Madam President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam President. I present an order and move its passage.

PRESIDENT: The Senator presents an order and moves its passage. The Secretary will read the order.

SECRETARY: Be it ordered that a committee be formed to wait upon the Governor, the Honorable Paul Lepage and inform him that the participants of the 2011 YMCA Youth in Government Program are convened in the Hall of the House, and are ready to receive such messages as he wishes to deliver.

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the convention that this order receive passage? (Gavel) It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: The Chair appoints the Secretary, the Clerk and the Sergeants-at-Arms of both the Senate and the House to deliver the message. The Convention will be at ease pending their return.

The Committee will walk down to the Governor's Office and deliver the following message:

SECRETARY: Governor Lepage, we are pleased to inform you that the members of the State YMCA of Maine 2011 Youth in Government Program are convened in the Hall of the House and wish to invite you to join them for the official opening of the 2011 Youth in Government Program.

Y GOVERNOR: Thank you. I will attend forthwith.

The Committee will walk back to the House and deliver the following message:

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Secretary of the Senate.

SECRETARY: Mr./Madam President, we have delivered the message with which we were charged and Governor Lepage reported that he would attend forthwith.

Opening Ceremonies

PRESIDENT: The Chair hears the message and the Convention thanks the messengers. The Convention will be at ease pending the arrival of Governor Lepage.

When the Governor is at the door.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) The Convention will come to order!

PRESIDENT: The Chair is pleased to recognize the Honorable Paul Lepage, Governor of the great State of Maine. (3 Gavels)

Shake the Governor's hand and take a seat to your right. The Speaker will move over.

GOVERNOR: *(The Governor will now address the Joint Convention.)*

Shake the Governor's hand and thank him.

PRESIDENT: The Convention wishes thanks Governor Lepage. (3 Gavels)

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) (To sit the members down)

The President will now introduce

- 1. Lonney Steeves, Program Director*
- 2. Jeff Jewett, Committee Information*

After all have addressed the Joint Convention.

PRESIDENT: The purpose for the Joint Convention having been accomplished, I now declare the same dissolved. (Gavel) All members are asked to report to their committees.

Saturday Joint Convention

Go to the House for Joint Convention

(Takes place in the House only)

MEMBER: Mr./Madam Speaker.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam Speaker. I present an order and move its passage

SPEAKER: The representative presents an order and moves its passage. The Clerk will read the order.

CLERK: Be it ordered that a message be sent to the Honorable members of the Maine State Senate to inform them that a quorum exists in the hall of the house and we are ready to receive them, in order to conduct a special session to hear the 2011 Candidates for Youth Governor.

SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that this order receive passage? (Gavel) It's a vote!

SPEAKER: The Chair will appoint the Clerk of the House and the Sergeant-at-Arms to deliver the message. The House will be at ease pending their return.

The Clerk will now walk down to the Senate and deliver the following message:

Begins the Senate Part of the Opening Ceremonies

PRESIDENT: The Senate will come to Order, (Gavel)
The Chair recognizes the Clerk of the House

CLERK: Mr./Madam President, we are pleased to inform you that the members of the State YMCA of Maine 2011 Youth in Government House of Representatives are assembled in the Hall of the House, and wish to invite the members of the Senate to join them in order to conduct a special session to hear the 2011 candidates for Governor.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The Senate will attend forthwith.

The Clerk will now walk back to the House and deliver the following message:

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the Senate to convene a Joint Convention. (GAVEL)
It is a vote.
(Have the senate line up in two lines, the President and Secretary should lead)

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Clerk of the House.

CLERK: Mr./Madam Speaker, we have delivered the message with which we were charged and the Senate reported that they would attend forthwith.

SPEAKER: The Chair hears the message and the House thanks the messengers. The House will be at ease pending the arrival of the Senate.

Saturday Joint Convention

When the Senate is at the door

SPEAKER: (Gavel) The House will come to order!

SPEAKER: The Chair is pleased to recognize the Members of the Maine State Senate. (3 Gavels)

Shake the President's hand and take a seat to your right.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) The Convention will come to order!

Go get the Youth Governor

MEMBER: Mr./Madam President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam President. I present an order and move its passage.

PRESIDENT: The Senator presents an order and moves its passage. The Secretary will read the order.

SECRETARY: Be it ordered that a committee be formed to wait upon the Youth Governor, the Honorable Edward Sharood and inform him/her that the participants of the 2011 YMCA Youth in Government Program are convened in the Hall of the House and wish to invite him/her to join them, in order to conduct a special session to hear the 2012 candidates for Governor.

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the convention that this order receive passage? (Gavel) It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: The Chair appoints the Secretary, the Clerk and the Sergeants-at-Arms of both the Senate and the House to deliver the message. The Convention will be at ease pending their return.

The Committee will walk down to the Senate and deliver the following message:

SECRETARY: Governor Will Sharood, we are pleased to inform you that the members of the State YMCA of Maine 2011 Youth in Government Program are convened in the Hall of the House and wish to invite you to join them in order to conduct a special session to hear the 2012 candidates for Governor.

Y GOVERNOR: Thank you. I will attend forthwith.

The Committee will walk back to the House and deliver the following message:

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Secretary of the Senate.

SECRETARY: Mr./Madam President, we have delivered the message with which we were charged and the Youth Governor reported that he/she would attend forthwith.

PRESIDENT: The Chair hears the message and the Convention thanks the messengers. The Convention will be at ease pending the arrival of the Youth Governor.

When the Youth Governor is at the door.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) The Convention will come to order!

PRESIDENT: (3 Gavels) The Chair is pleased to recognize the Youth Governor, the Honorable Edward Sharood.

Shake the Youth Governor's hand and ask him/her to sit to your left.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) The Convention will come to order!

PRESIDENT: We will now be hearing from the Candidates for the 2012 Youth Governor. The Honorable Youth Governor Edward Sharood will now introduce the Gubernatorial candidates.

Y GOVERNOR: (Remarks about the National Youth Governor's Conference.)

(Introduction of Candidates.)

PRESIDENT: The purpose for the Joint Convention having been accomplished, I now declare the same dissolved. (Gavel) All members are asked to report to their busses so they can attend the evening program.

Pass a Joint Resolution

MEMBER: Mr./Madam President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam President. I present an Joint Resolution and move its adoption.

PRESIDENT: The Senator presents an order and moves its adoption. The Secretary will read the Joint Resolution.

SECRETARY: (Read the Joint Resolution)

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the convention that this Joint Resolution be adopted? (Gavel)
It's a vote!

Closing Joint Convention

Go to the House for Joint Convention

(Takes place in the House only)

MEMBER: Mr./Madam Speaker.

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Representative.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam Speaker. I present an order and move its passage

SPEAKER: The representative presents an order and moves its passage. The Clerk will read the order.

CLERK: Be it ordered that a message be sent to the Honorable members of the Maine State Senate to inform them that a quorum exists in the hall of the house and we are ready to receive them, in order to conduct the official closing of the 2011 State YMCA of Maine Youth in Government Program.

SPEAKER: Is it the pleasure of the House that this order receive passage? (Gavel) It's a vote!

SPEAKER: The Chair will appoint the Clerk of the House and the Sergeant-at-Arms to deliver the message. The House will be at ease pending their return.

The Clerk will now walk down to the Senate and deliver the following message:

Begins the Senate Part of the Opening Ceremonies

PRESIDENT: The Senate will come to Order, (Gavel)
The Chair recognizes the Clerk of the House

CLERK: Mr./Madam President, we are pleased to inform you that the members of the State YMCA of Maine 2011 Youth in Government House of Representatives are assembled in the Hall of the House, and wish to invite the members of the Senate to join them in order to conduct the official closing of the 2011 State YMCA of Maine Youth in Government Program.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The Senate will attend forthwith.

The Clerk will now walk back to the House and deliver the following message:

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the Senate to convene a Joint Convention. (GAVEL)
It is a vote.
(Have the senate line up in two lines, the President and Secretary should lead)

SPEAKER: The Chair recognizes the Clerk of the House.

CLERK: Mr./Madam Speaker, we have delivered the message with which we were charged and the Senate reported that they would attend forthwith.

SPEAKER: The Chair hears the message and the House thanks the messengers. The House will be at ease pending the arrival of the Senate.

Closing Joint Convention

Waiting for the Senate to arrive.

When the Senate is at the door

SPEAKER: (Gavel) The House will come to order!

SPEAKER: The Chair is pleased to recognize the Members of the Maine State Senate.
(3 Gavels)

Shake the President's hand and take a seat to your right.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) The Convention will come to order!

Go get the Youth Governor

MEMBER: Mr./Madam President.

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Senator.

MEMBER: Thank you Mr./Madam President. I present an order and move its passage.

PRESIDENT: The Senator presents an order and moves its passage. The Secretary will read the order.

SECRETARY: Be it ordered that a committee be formed to wait upon the Youth Governor, the Honorable Edward Sharood and inform him/her that the participants of the 2011 YMCA Youth in Government Program are convened in the Hall of the House, in order to conduct the official closing of the 2011 State YMCA of Maine Youth in Government Program.

PRESIDENT: Is it the pleasure of the convention that this order receive passage? (Gavel) It's a vote!

PRESIDENT: The Chair appoints the Secretary, the Clerk and the Sergeants-at-Arms of both the Senate and the House to deliver the message. The Convention will be at ease pending their return.

Closing Joint Convention

The Committee will walk down to the Senate and deliver the following message:

SECRETARY: Governor Edward Sharood, we are pleased to inform you that the members of the State YMCA of Maine 2011 Youth in Government Program are convened in the Hall of the House and wish to invite you in order to conduct the official closing of the 2011 State YMCA of Maine Youth in Government Program.

Y GOVERNOR: Thank you. I will attend forthwith.

The Committee will walk back to the House and deliver the following message:

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Secretary of the Senate.

SECRETARY: Mr./Madam President, we have delivered the message with which we were charged and the Youth Governor reported that he/she would attend forthwith.

PRESIDENT: The Chair hears the message and the Convention thanks the messengers. The Convention will be at ease pending the arrival of the Youth Governor.

When the Youth Governor is at the door.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) The Convention will come to order!

PRESIDENT: The Chair is pleased to recognize the Youth Governor, the Honorable Edward Sharood (3 Gavels)

Shake the Youth Governor's hand and ask him/her to sit to your left.

PRESIDENT: (Gavel) The Convention will come to order!

Final Remarks

PRESIDENT: Introduce the first speaker.

Youth Governor Edward Sharood (Final remarks).

Chief of Staff, Final Disposition of Bills.

Lonney Steeves, Program Director (Final Remarks).

Swearing in of 2012 Youth Governor

PRESIDENT: Raise your right hand and repeat after me.

PRESIDENT: I (state your name)
do swear,
that I will support the constitution
of the United States and of this state,
so long as I shall continue
a citizen thereof.
So help me god.

PRESIDENT: I (state your name)
do swear,
that I will faithfully discharge,
to the best of my abilities,
the duties incumbent upon me
as the 2012 State YMCA of Maine
Youth Governor
according to the constitution
and laws of the state.
So help me god.

PRESIDENT: Congratulations.

Shake the Youth Governor's hand and thank her.

Y GOVERNOR: Remarks???

PRESIDENT: The purpose for the Joint Convention having been accomplished, I now declare
the same dissolved. The YMCA Youth in Government program will reconvene
here on a date to be determined for the 2012 program.
(Gavel)

MEMBERS MESSAGE TO THE PRESIDENT

Senator Rises to be Recognized

SENATOR: Mr / Madam President

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes Senator (get his/her name).

SENATOR: Mr / Madam President, I present and order and move for it's passage

MESSAGE FROM THE HOUSE REQUESTING THE SENATE ATTEND A JOINT SESSION

CLERK WAITS AT THE DOOR TO BE RECOGNIZED BY PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE

CLERK OF THE HOUSE: Mr / Madam President

PRESIDENT: The Chair recognizes the Clerk of the House

CLERK OF THE HOUSE: Mr./Madam President, we are pleased to inform you that the members of the State YMCA of Maine 2011 Youth in Government House of Representatives are assembled in the Hall of the House, and wish to invite the members of the Senate to join them for the official opening of the 2011 Youth in Government Program.

PRESIDENT: Thank you. The Senate will attend forthwith.

MESSAGE FROM THE JOINT SESSION REQUESTING THE REAL GOVERNOR ATTEND A JOINT SESSION

The Committee will walk down to the Governor's Office and deliver the following message:

SECRETARY: Governor Lepage, we are pleased to inform you that the members of the State YMCA of Maine 2011 Youth in Government Program are convened in the Hall of the House and wish to invite you to join them for the official opening of the 2011 Youth in Government Program.

The Committee will walk back to the House and deliver the following message:

MESSAGE FROM THE JOINT SESSION REQUESTING THE YOUTH GOVERNOR ATTEND A JOINT SESSION

The Committee will walk down to the Senate and deliver the following message:

SECRETARY: Governor Sharood, we are pleased to inform you that the members of the State YMCA of Maine 2011 Youth in Government Program are convened in the Hall of the House and wish to invite you to join them for the official opening of the 2011 Youth in Government Program.

Y GOVERNOR: Thank you. I will attend forthwith.

The Committee will walk back to the House and deliver the following message: