

RULES OF ORDER

FOR MEETINGS OF THE BAPTIST CONVENTION OF ONTARIO AND QUEBEC.

1. At the meetings and sittings of the Baptist Convention of Ontario and Quebec the President shall preside, or in his absence one of the two Vice-Presidents in the order of their seniority; and in case at any meeting or sitting all three be absent, a member of the Convention shall be chosen to preside.
2. The President shall preserve order and decorum, and shall decide questions of order, subject to an appeal to the Convention. In explaining a point of order or practice he shall state the rule or authority applicable to the case.
3. As the first order of business the Convention shall select a Committee of Scrutineers on elections and a Committee to nominate the Officers and Standing Committees of the Convention.
4. The report of the Nominating Committee shall not restrict the right of members to nominate other persons for offices or Committees in addition to those named in the report.
5. The President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary-Treasurer and Auditors, and the Committees on Enrollment, Arrangements, Resolutions, Pulpit Supply and Obituaries shall be chosen annually, their election to be the first order of business after the delivery of the annual address by the retiring President.
6. The election of officers and members of Committees shall be by ballot unless otherwise ordered by a two-thirds vote of the Convention, and in case of a tie the President shall give the casting vote.
7. The Executive Committee of the Convention shall be composed of its officers and the Chairmen, Secretaries and Treasurers of the various Boards.
8. Of the number of members appointed or elected to compose a Committee, a majority of the same shall be a quorum, unless the Convention has otherwise ordered.
9. The Order of Business shall be as previously arranged by the Executive Committee, unless altered by the Convention upon motion made immediately after the nomination of officers, or subsequently upon motion carried by a two-thirds vote.
10. The Secretary shall keep succinct and accurate minutes of the proceedings in the Minute Book of the Convention, but no speech or address shall be entered unless so ordered by the Convention. He shall also keep a book in which shall be recorded all resolutions entered in the Minute Book which have the force of Rules.