

LACES MUN

Rules of Procedure (ROP)

General Flow of Debate

1. Roll Call
2. Setting the Agenda
3. Debate: speakers list, moderated caucus, unmoderated caucus
4. Formal Caucus: presentation of resolutions
5. Voting Bloc

Committee Vocab

Sponsors: countries that are main authors of a resolution

Signatories: countries that would like to see a resolution debated

Bloc: a group of nations

Working Paper: a resolution in progress

Resolution: a working paper that has been passed

Dias: the group of people moderating the committee

Types of Debate

Moderated Caucus

- speakers called on by the chair
- debate a subtopic in depth

Unmoderated Caucus

- delegates free to move about the room, debate in small groups
- form resolution blocs: similar policy/solutions

Formal Caucus

Points

Point of Personal Privilege = personal comfort of delegate

- microphone is too soft, room is too cold, etc.

Point of Order = breach of Rules of Procedure

Point of Inquiry = question regarding rules or committee proceedings

- when are working papers due?
- how do we move into voting bloc?

Motions

Many ways to say motions, must remain formal:

- Motion to open debate
- Motion to open the speaker's list
- Motion to set the agenda
- Motion to suspend the rules
- Motion for a caucus:
 - Motion to suspend debate and move into....

How to Motion

Motion for a caucus:

[Country], [motion], [caucus]

Moderated caucus:

- Canada would like to motion for a 10 minute moderate caucus, with 30 second speaking times, on the topic of malaria in pacific island states.

Unmoderated caucus:

- Canada would like to motion for a 10 minute unmoderated caucus

Formality - Reading the Room

More

- LACESMUN Delegate Handbook
- Standard BMUN Procedure
 - <https://learnbmun.squarespace.com/procedure-flow/>