

**BROOKLYN YOUNG REPUBLICAN CLUB INC
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

RESOLUTION #2-2020 to establish a process for the adoption of the Club's yearly agenda of initiatives.

Introduced by:

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RESOLVED, by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Directors of the Brooklyn Young Republican Club, that the following shall be enacted:

1. Creation of a Policy Committee; Purposes;

A standing Policy Committee (the "Committee") shall be constituted to review all Club business concerning matters of public and party policy in order to prepare informed recommendations to the Board of Directors and/or to the Club membership, as appropriate, before further consideration is made. The Committee shall also prepare an annual agenda (the "Agenda") of priority issues and initiatives for the Club to undertake. The Agenda shall be prepared and submitted for consideration by the Club membership no later than April 30th of each year.

2. Committee Membership

The Committee's membership shall be appointed pursuant to Article VII, Section 3 of the Club's Constitution & Bylaws.

3. Special Rules of Order Concerning Motions Pertaining to Public and Party Policy

Any duly made and seconded main motion or resolution that addresses, in whole or part, any matter pertaining to public and party policy, except where candidates, campaigns and endorsements are concerned, shall be immediately referred to the Committee. The Committee shall conduct research and solicit expert opinion from any relevant affected or interested parties as necessary in order to produce a well-informed recommendation about what action(s) should or should not be taken. The Committee shall report out such motion or resolution to the Club or the Board with its attached recommendations as soon as possible.

4. Annual Agenda Process

- a. Issues and initiatives ("Submissions") to be considered for inclusion in the annual Agenda may be made by eligible Club members, as well as non-members at the discretion of the President, to the Committee in accordance with the following requirements:

- i. Submissions may only be made by individuals who live, work or attend an academic institution in Brooklyn under the age of 40;
 - ii. Each submission shall include the name, email address, date of birth, and ZIP code of their primary residence, job or school as required fields. Mobile phone number shall be included but optional.
 - iii. Any Submission that intentionally seeks to exclude, demean or harm any class of individuals based on any of the following criteria shall be deemed *ipso facto* out of order from any further consideration:
 1. race,
 2. color,
 3. creed,
 4. age,
 5. national origin,
 6. religion,
 7. citizenship status,
 8. gender,
 9. sexual orientation,
 10. disability,
 11. marital status,
 12. partnership status,
 13. caregiver status,
 14. sexual and reproductive health decisions,
 15. uniformed service,
 16. any lawful source of income; and
 17. status as a victim of domestic violence or status as a victim of sex offenses or stalking;
 - iv. The Committee shall revise or combine the content of valid Submissions for the purposes of clarity or as a result of multiple Submissions substantially describing the same issue or initiative.
- b. The Committee shall verify all Submissions comply with any applicable rules and procedures, and then prepare a ballot containing all valid Submissions for the Club membership to select up to ten (10) Submissions to be advanced for further consideration by the Committee in preparing the Agenda. Any ballot where more than ten (10) items are selected by a voting member shall have only the first ten counted. The top ten vote-getting Submissions shall be moved forward for further consideration by the Committee; all other Submissions shall be considered defeated from further consideration as part of the Agenda.

- c. The Committee shall prepare the winning Submissions in the form of individual resolutions (the “Resolutions”) containing: the policy objective clearly and succinctly stated, the rationale for the policy objective, and a list of action items with quantifiable measurements of meaningful pursuit. The Committee shall transmit such Resolutions to the Club membership and schedule one or more Committee hearings to receive testimony from Club members as well as invited non-members as the Committee Chair may deem appropriate on all of the Resolutions.
- d. After consideration of the testimony received from the hearings held, the Committee shall prepare a report containing Resolutions recommended for inclusion into the Agenda, as well as the Resolutions not recommended for inclusion. The report shall be transmitted to the Club membership in advance of the next meeting of the Club and its consideration shall be of the highest order on that meeting’s agenda.
- e. The Committee shall compile the Agenda as a unified document based on the Resolutions adopted by the Club membership and facilitate its dissemination to Club members and any interested parties upon request.
- f. Within 30 days of the adoption of the Agenda, the President shall appoint Task Forces, considered here as special committees for the purposes of the Club’s Bylaws, to execute on specific action items as listed in the Agenda. The Chair of the Task Force shall report at least monthly, or more often as requested, to the President, Chair of the Board of Directors, and the Club’s Secretary on the progress it is making towards achieving its assigned action items. Any Task Force whose assigned action items have been deemed accomplished shall be disbanded.

5. Additional Rules & Procedures

The Committee shall be empowered to adopt any additional rules and procedures as deemed necessary for fulfilling its purposes and duties in accordance with these requirements.