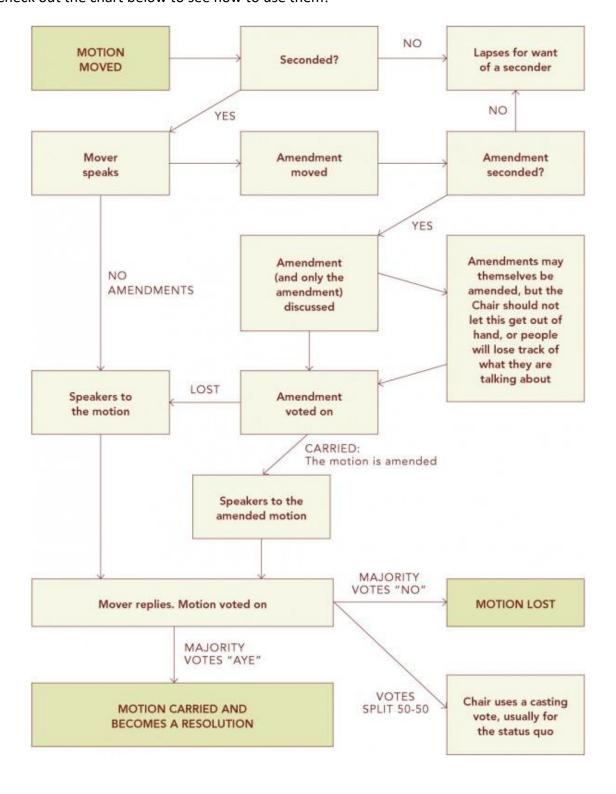


Moving a Motion

Fancy Meeting Words

Ever wandered what these words mean? It is a whole new language and can be very confusing if you're not used to the meeting lingo when it comes to making decisions as a committee.

Check out the chart below to see how to use them!





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Fancy Meeting Words

Agenda: A schedule of items drawn up for discussion at a meeting

AGM: Annual General Meeting – an annual meeting that all members can attend

Apologies: Excuses given in advance for inability to attend meeting

Casting Vote: a chairman may use a casting vote to reach a decision

Chairman: Leader (president) given authority to conduct a meeting

Committee: a group of people usually elected to conduct agreed business

Consensus: agreement by general consent of everyone at the meeting

Constitution: a set of rules governing activities of the club

Convene: to call a meeting

Motion: the name given to a proposal when it is being discussed at a meeting

Mover: one who speaks on behalf of a motion e.g. 'Robbie moves that the club shall apply for

an OUSA grant, and James is to apply on behalf of the club'

Quorum: the number of people needed to be in attendance for a meeting to be legitimate and

so commence

Seconder: one who supports the proposer of a motion or proposal by 'seconding it' e.g. Kate

seconds Robbie's motion above

Secretary: committee official responsible for the internal and external administration of a

committee (taking the minutes)

Treasurer: committee official responsible for its financial records and transactions

Unanimous: all being in favour of the decision

Committee as whole: means that anything discussed regarding agenda item is strictly kept

within the meeting parameters and not discussed elsewhere