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Society Delegate Meeting, Tampa, February 15, 1991

Welcome! This meeting marks a new level of Society involvement in Fellowship activities, in which agreement on a few ground rules should be helpful.

At the request of many members, the Executive Committee called this meeting, and as a procedural starting point, has provided the following:

1. That voting shall be according to Robert's Rules,
2. That each Society shall have one vote, to be cast by its delegate, or its alternate in the absence of its delegate,
3. That Harry McMullan open the meeting as your moderator, and continue in that capacity for the duration of the meeting if the group so desires,
4. That Brent St. Denis act as recording secretary.

Beyond giving you this orderly starting point, the Executive Committee's desire is that it be your meeting, to be run as you wish it run, and to discuss what you choose.

Adoption of the following procedures may enhance your group process:

1. Adoption of an agenda. (With the intent of helping expedite this process, an agenda has been provided which incorporates items submitted to date.)
 - a.) New items are added to the agenda until all potential topics are listed.
 - b.) Similar items are grouped by subject for convenience.
 - c.) Priority of discussion is established for items viewed as most important.
 - d.) Based on available time, appropriate time is allocated to each subject, by consensus if possible; otherwise by vote on individual items.
 - e.) The agenda as a whole is approved.
2. The floor shall be available only to delegates and alternates. All other individuals are present as guests. The chair may recognize such guests only upon the request of a delegate or alternate.

3. Individual delegates and alternates may speak for up to 3 minutes on a topic, and may not speak again until all others who wish to speak have been recognized.
4. Three minutes prior to the close of a topic's allotted time, discussion time shall yield to any dispositive motion.
5. A majority vote may override these rules at any time; otherwise, they shall be followed strictly.

It's the desire of the entire organization that Societies become more involved, and you may rest assured that the product of your meeting will be carefully considered. All requests or resolutions directed to the General Council will be copied and delivered to each Councilor tomorrow. Inasmuch as the General Council already has a full agenda of its own for its February 16th meeting, it may be not be possible for the Council to discuss the product of your meeting at that time. All items directed to the Executive Committee will be considered at its next meeting on April 26th.