

**ALACHUA COUNTY DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**  
**Special Rules of Order**

**1. LENGTH OF MEETINGS**

Steering Committee and General Membership meetings will last a maximum of two hours, unless, by majority vote of the members, the meeting is extended for a specific time. *(approved 14 Apl 21)*

**2. SPEAKING TO A MOTION OR ISSUE**

No person will be recognized to speak a second time on a motion or issue unless all those who wish to be heard have spoken at least once. *(approved 14 Apl 21)*

**3. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

Consent Agenda items will not be discussed unless a member requests that the item be pulled from the Consent Agenda, discussed, and voted on separately. *(approved 14 Apl 21)*

**4. ROLE OF COMMITTEE CHAIRS**

With the exception of the DEC and the Steering Committee, committee chairs have voice and vote in their committees. They may also make and second motions. *(approved 14 Apl 21)*

**5. VOTING IN STEERING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Vice-Chairs of the Campaign Planning, Communications & Media, Membership & Credentials, and Policy & Bylaws Committees may vote in the absence of the Chair of the se committees. Similarly, the Alternate to the three At large appointments to the Steering Committee may vote if any one of the AL members is not present. *(approved 14 Apl 21)*

**6. SUPREMACY LADDER**

The Supremacy Ladder for the ACDEC will be as follows: United States Constitution, Florida Constitution, Florida Statutes, the Charter of the FDP, the Bylaws of the FDP, the Bylaws of the ACDEC, Special Rules of Order, latest edition of *Robert's Rules of Order, Newly Revised*, (RONR), standing rules or policies, precedent and tradition. *(approved 14 Apl 21)*

Special Rules of Order may be adopted or amended by a vote of three-fifths (60%) of those present at a General membership Meeting. Prior notice must be given. During a meeting, a Special Rule may be temporarily suspended by a vote of three-fifths (60%) of the members at that meeting. *(approved 14 Apl 21)*